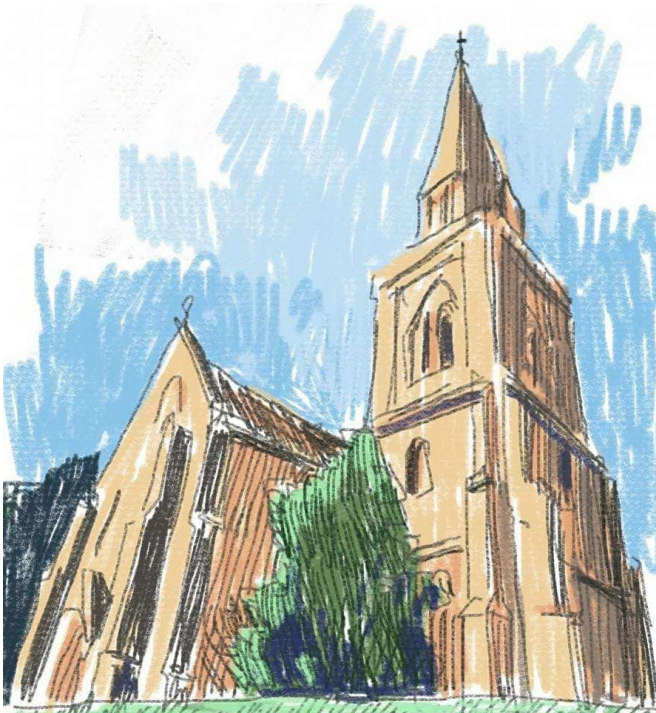




ST MARK'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH DARLING POINT



17 January 2021
10am Congregation

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You can leave us a prayer or aid request, a comment, feedback, or
we can organise for someone to give you a call this week.

PRAISING GOD

Tim Escott

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation.
Come all who hear;
brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord who in all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining:
have you not seen
all that is needed has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3. Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us;
surely his goodness and mercy shall defend us:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do
as with his love he befriends us.

4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the 'Amen'
sound from His people again,
gladly forever adore Him.

Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have often gone our own way, and rejected your will for our lives.

We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them.

For the sake of your Son who died for us, forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.

By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you, and to please you in every way, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

BIBLE READING - Luke 11:5-13

David Selden

⁵ And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷ And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.⁹ "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

BIBLE READING - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Alison Bailey

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ² For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴ But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶ So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷ for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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CREED - Colossians 1:15-20

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created, things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible: all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, and the firstborn from the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood shed on the cross. Amen.

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

1. What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

2. The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH, OUR CITY, AND THE WORLD

Alicia Watson

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

NOTICES

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

1. Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom the world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us.
Lord, keep us in your grace
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son
and Spirit now be given:
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore,
who ever was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart (1586-1649)

GOING OUT TO SERVE

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord God, we rejoice in your greatness and power, your patience and love, your mercy and justice.

Enable us by your Spirit to honour you in our thoughts, words and actions, and to serve you in every aspect of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST MARK'S YOUTH

Designed for young people in school Years 6 -12, St Mark's Youth offers free activities that suit all levels of skill. The group is held on Friday nights 6.45pm

-8.30pm (with the program starting at 7pm). A typical week involves enjoying varied physical and creative activities, and hearing something encouraging from God's word. We discuss questions about life, faith, and meaning.

Term 1 commences on Friday 29 January 2021 and concludes on Friday 26 March 2021 and will be held in the Upper Hall at St Mark's Anglican Church.

Our children's and youth volunteers have Working with Children clearance and comply with Sydney Anglican Dioceses policies and Safe Ministry standards.

For more information, please contact Erica Oliver:

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ALPHA COURSE

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explores the big questions of life, faith and meaning. The course is presented

in a friendly and open environment and provides an opportunity to explore the Christian faith, deepen your understanding of God and learn more about the Bible. The evening involves a video presentation and then small group discussions. The next course commences 28 January 2021. For more details, please visit stmarksdp.org/ministries/alpha

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IN CASE WE NEED TO EVACUATE As you take your place in the pew, please take note of the route to the nearest door: Remember that there is a small step from the pew to the floor. The Emergency Assembly Area is the Memorial Garden.



BABY FACILITIES are in the Parenting Room at the rear of the church and in the accessible toilet beside the Howard Lea Hall. The service is broadcast to the Parenting Room.



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