Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

The Greeting

The Grace of the lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

And also with you

Gathering Invitation and Prayer

The Lord is our light, our light and salvation.
In God we trust.
Let us come together in worship,
opening our lives to God's renewing grace.

Jesus, you are present at the meeting of our lives:

we come to worship.

Jesus, you listen to us, to the needs and concerns we bring:

we come to pray for one another.

Jesus, you bring healing and new purpose in our lives:

disturb and renew us with your Spirit.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Amen.

Sentence

LA: The redeemed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.

Isaiah 51.11

Centering Prayer

All: All seeing God, you are so far beyond our understanding, yet you want to meet with us. You call us into your presence, as the crowd called the blind man to come to Jesus. We come to you now, mighty Lord, gathered expectantly, ready to worship and learn from you. May we have eyes open to see you and hearts willing to be seen by you Amen.

Prayer of Adoration

Invite people to spend a few moments with eyes closed, imagining how Bartimaeus might have felt being seen but not seeing. Then invite them to imagine the joy he felt when he was healed.

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God of the vulnerable: we adore you.
God of the disabled: we adore you.
God of the heartbroken: we adore you.
God of the faithful: we adore you.
God of healing: we adore you.
God of hope: we adore you.
God of joy: we adore you.
God of all time: we adore you.
Amen.
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Hymn- Waymaker https://youtu.be/pChRU2gUz-E

Preparing for Confession

Lord, we ask you to forgive us for the times we don't hear Jesus calling us. Son of David, have mercy on us.

The blind man was direct in his request: forgive us for the times we go all round the houses, and times we just can't 'see' what is right in front of us.

Son of David, have mercy on us.

The blind man had good friends: forgive us when we don't accept help from friends, and when we aren't good friends to each other.

Son of David, have mercy on us.

Forgive us for ignoring people who really need our attention, and for not seeing that we can help through you - and you can help through us.

Son of David, have mercy on us.

Forgive us when our faith is small and we don't believe that it can heal us.

Son of David, have mercy on us.

Amen.

Introduction to Confession

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Silence may be kept.

Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God, in penitence and faith.

All:

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith; pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect Prayer

O God, you give light to the blind and comfort to the sorrowing, and in your Son you have given us a High Priest who has offered the true sacrifice for us and yet can sympathise with us in our weakness: hear the cry of your people and lead us home to our true country, where with your Son and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Kids' Time/ Being Together reflection

How can we communicate respectfully to one another, in ways that 'build one another up'?

In what other ways can we build one another up with our speech?

The 1st Reading is from the book of Job chapter 42 various verses

- ¹ Then Job answered the Lord:
- ² 'I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
- 3 "Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?"
- Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
- ⁴ "Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me."
- ⁵ I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you;
- ⁶ therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.'

- ¹⁰ And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.
- ¹¹ Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring.
- ¹² The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys.
- ¹³ He also had seven sons and three daughters.
- ¹⁴ He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch.
- ¹⁵ In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers.
- ¹⁶ After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations.
- ¹⁷ And Job died, old and full of days.

Job 42.1-6, 42.10-17

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34.1-8

- ¹ I will bless the Lord continually: his praise shall be always in my mouth.
- ² Let my soul boast of the Lord: the humble shall hear it and rejoice.
- ³ O praise the Lord with me: let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴ For I sought the Lord's help and he answered: and he freed me from all my fears.
- ⁵ Look towards him and be bright with joy: your faces shall not be ashamed.
- ⁶ Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard me: and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him: and delivers them in their need.
- 8 O taste and see that the Lord is good: happy are they that hide in him!

The 2nd Reading comes from the letter of Hebrews chapter 7

²¹ but this one became a priest with an oath, because of the one who said to him, 'The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest for ever" '—
²² accordingly Jesus has also become the guarantee of a better covenant.

²³ Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. ²⁵ Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶ For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

Hebrews 7.21-28

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Prayer before Gospel

All:

Jesus asked Bartimaeus what he wanted from him.

Now he asks us what we want.

We have begun in prayer, confessed our sins, heard the word, now we listen...

(keep a time of silence)

Jesus says, 'Go; your faith has healed you.' And we say, 'Amen'.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark chapter 10 beginning at the 46th verse. All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' 48 Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' 49 Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' 50 So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' 52 Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Sermon

Hymn- This I Believe https://youtu.be/VRzI_FbWTkg

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ His Spirit is with us

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

We thank you, Lord, that you are a God of action - and interaction. You see and want to be seen by us. We thank you for the amazing sights you have for us, if we are prepared to call on you. We thank you that you are a God of healing, and whichever way you choose to act is always best. We thank you, Lord.

Amen.

Intercessions

In our world, where people go hungry because the price of food has risen, and their income has not.

Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

As the U.K recovers from the shock of the stabbing of David Amess, and concerns are raised about the safety of communities and leaders around the world, give us wisdom and courage for the time ahead.

Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

As the church tries to work out its mission to the world and the community when there are so many demands upon both time and resources. Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

Where refugees are housed and asylum seekers take sanctuary; where there are strangers in our midst.

Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

As the time for COP26 approaches and governments prepare their response, while individuals express their concerns for the future of our planet.

Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

When people are sick at home or in hospital; where people are shielding or isolating and feel alone and unloved. (Pause)
Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

For those who grieve for loved ones who have died recently or for whom it is an anniversary, preparing for All Hallows remembrances or when the pain just never seems to get any less. (Pause) Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

When there are disabilities of sight, hearing or mobility; When people have disabilities or conditions that are not obviously visible. (Pause) Give us eyes to see their need.

Give us love to respond

In a world of need, help us see those needs.
In a world of suffering, may love be shared.
In a world where many lose faith, may hope in Christ prevail.
For we pray in his name.

Amen.

Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

- The Extra-Provincial Churches
- The Diocese of Tasmania: †Richard Condie; Assistant Bishop-†Chris Jones; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Alexandra Hills: Jonathan Bright, Rod Wood
- Anglicare SQ Community Aged & Disability, West (Chinchilla)
- Anglican Schools Australia Management Committee and Member Schools: President -Peter Laurence

Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus gave us saying:

All:

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Devotions

A Personal Prayer for each of us in the silence

Jesus,
my Saviour,
thank you that you hear us,
as you heard Bartimaeus.
Transform our lives too.
Amen.

Song-O love that will not let me go https://youtu.be/GVOG15Zj5KM

Sending Prayer

All:

For God's word within us:
Thanks be to God.
Lord, may we look out into your world with your eyes, listen with your ears, and speak and love in your name.
Amen. Thanks be to God.

The Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

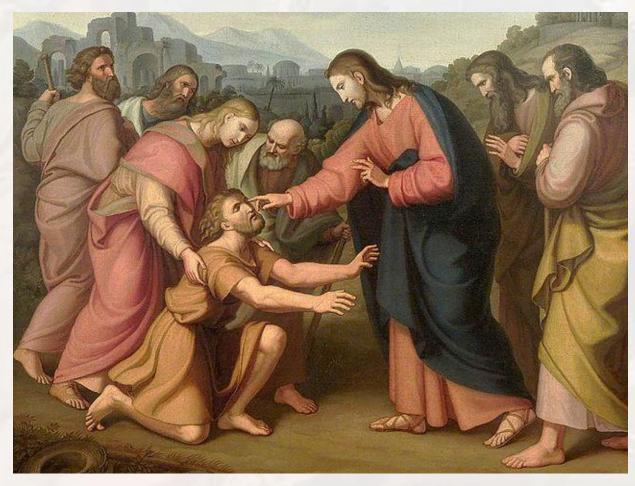
<u>Notices</u>

- Tithing Online accessible at holyhermits.com.au Give page.
- All Hallows celebrations next week Dearly departed remembered - send in your names/pic of loved ones who have passed.
- Contemplative service for All Hallows focused on communion of saints next Sunday 6pm

Dismissal.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ, Amen.



"Healing the Blind Man" 1832 by Vaclav Manes