Leader: Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

Today is the final week after Epiphany before we enter Lent

We are celebrating the Transfiguration

and remember Holy Hermit Sister Angela of Stroud

Welcome Rev'd Jess as our guest preacher today!

Music to march into the service with today

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YeQ8pl6Q20c

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Leader:

Wendy Hope Solling was born in Maitland, New South Wales on March 7, 1926, and was sent to boarding school in Moss Vale due to her chronic bronchitis.
She studied at East Sydney Technical College immediately after WWII, and then at Slade Art School in London, where her sculptures were well received. In 1952 she returned to Australia and held several more exhibitions of her work.
Some of her works now reside in the Anglican cathedral in Newcastle, NSW.

After meeting a Franciscan priest, she returned to England in 1955 to join the Anglican Community of St Clare in Freeland, Oxfordshire, taking the name of Sister Angela. In 1975, at the request of the Bishop of Newcastle, she led the establishment of a community of Clare Sisters at Stroud in the Diocese of Newcastle, NSW.
She was the guiding force behind the construction of a group of buildings of handmade mud bricks and local timbers decorated with her sculptures, including the Monastery of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Hermitage of the Bernadine of Siena.
The Society of St Francis and the Sisters of St Clare built a community together.

Sister Angela was an unconventional leader, believing that the rules of religious
"are made by men…because they are afraid we don't know how to love…if we knew how to love fully enough, none of these rules would be required".
She made a space at Stroud to which people could retreat.

Sister Angela supported the push for the ordination of women, saying,
"I don't understand the ins and outs at all, but I'm with you all the way because it's what I feel in my heart and in prayer".

To read more about our Hermit, please scan

We will be led by our Leader with our Cantor as the voice of all

Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

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Gathering Prayer

Leader:

Here we are again, Lord.
There are many temptations to be elsewhere,
but, as you live and as we ourselves live,
we will not leave you.
It's a lifelong journey: as long as life lasts, we're on it.
And while we're on it we should make the most of it.
Help us to make the most of this time together
with each other and with you today.
Amen.

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Sentence

Leader: I now invite our cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

Cantor:

A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people!

Luke 7.16

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Leader: We pray the prayer of approach.

All: God of all ages, in expectation we come together to hear the stories of your people long ago, and to be inspired by them.
In humility, we come to hear the words of your prophets, to be challenged by them.
In confidence, we come to learn how to grow into our own story, and to share it.
In joy, we come to appreciate the stories of those around us, and affirm them.
In unity, we come celebrate your love for each of us and for our world. Amen

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Our first hymn is
I will sing the wonderous story

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xVzsZzkoqUA

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

Leader mutes

The Deacon Introduces Confession

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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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.

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The Priest offers the Absolution

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to God 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.

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Collect Prayer

Leader:

Ever living God,
your Son, Jesus Christ, healed the lepers
and brought good news to the despised and outcast:
grant us your gifts of compassion and self-control,
that in serving others in their need
we may strive for the imperishable wreath
that you bestow on all who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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The first reader unmutes

The 1st Reading is from 2 Kings 2.1-12

1 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on
their way from Gilgal. 2 Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.'
But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down
to Bethel. 3 The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do
you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep
silent.' 4 Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the
LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. 5 The company of
prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the
LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' 6 Then Elijah
said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and
as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on.

7 Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as
they both were standing by the Jordan.
8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the
one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. 9 When they had
crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.'
Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' 10 He responded, 'You have asked
a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it
will not.' 11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated
the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. 12 Elisha kept watching and
crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no
longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

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Leader: We now say the psalm antiphonally,
I invite the first reader to lead, and we will all respond along with our cantor as our voice.

Psalm 50.1-6

1 The Lord our God, the Mighty One, has spoken:
and summoned the earth,
from the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.
2 From Zion, perfect in beauty:
God has shone out in glory.
3 Our God is coming, he will not keep silent:
before him is devouring fire,
and tempest whirls about him.
4 He calls to the heavens above:
and to the earth, so he may judge his people.
5 'Gather to me my faithful ones:
those who by sacrifice made a covenant with me.'
6 The heavens shall proclaim his righteousness:
for God himself is judge.

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Leader: Thanks 1st reader, I now invite the 2nd reader to unmute and offer the 2nd lesson when ready.

The 2nd Reading is from 2 Corinthians 4.3-12

3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4 In their case the god of
this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the
gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For we do not proclaim ourselves; we
proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who
said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the
knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in clay jars, so
that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from
us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to
despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the
body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. 11 For
while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may
be made visible in our mortal flesh. 12 So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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

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We pause
before the Gospel

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark Chapter 9, beginning at Verse 2

All: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

2 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a
high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, 3 and
his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach
them. 4 And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with
Jesus. 5 Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make
three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 6 He did not know
what to say, for they were terrified. 7 Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from
the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to
him!' 8 Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more,
but only Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell
no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the
dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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We pause after the Gospel

The Leader and Cantor mute

Rev'd Jess unmutes

The preacher's video feed is pinned before the record button is pressed

Sermon

Leader unmutes

Our next Hymn is

We Have A Gospel To Proclaim

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5wWRYq57EM

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

Leader and Cantor mute

The Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting of Peace

'We are the body of Christ
All: God's Spirit is with us

'The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

Leader: A sign of peace can now be exchanged

You might like to type "Peace" into the chat,
use the 'raise hand' or other reaction buttons,
or just simply wave via screen with your video turned on

Broadcaster exists shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

Leader: As we now enter prayer, I invite the 2nd reader to unmute, to lead our intercessions.
Please feel free to change your body position if you need to, as we offer this Thanksgiving prayer.

God of our setting out and of our arriving,
we rejoice that, wherever we go, you go with us.
When we journey together, you bless us with fellowship.
When we journey alone, you bless us with courage.
When we journey in the footsteps of others, you bless us with gratitude.
When we journey to new places, you bless us with faith.
And when we make our last journey, you bless us with the knowledge that we are safe within your
eternal love – thank you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Intercessions

Reader 2: We pray for our communities, the people, animals and creation we share our lives with.

We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

PAUSE…

We entrust to you the community of Holy Hermits Online and our ministry partners:

- St John's Cathedral Brisbane
- The Anglican Diocese of Southern Queensland
- St Gabriel's Carindale
- The Episcopal Diocese of Texas
- Anglican focus
- Tithe.ly

Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.
Creator God, **Hear our prayer.**

Eternal Trinity of Love, we raise to you the people and places we love and carry cares for:

Kerry and Les, Jake,
Dr Julie and Jasmine,
Julie and Ray, Tracey, Shane,
Alecia, Martin and Aidan,
Judy and Mary
George, Wendy, Kristine and Claire
Leese(y)
Neva
Travis

Barry
Dilys and Tony,
Paul and Darhon,
Jess and Leah
Jim and Margo and Ruth
Mark, Desley and Bob
Aaron and Andrea
Gavin

We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer. PAUSE…

We entrust to you those who have died, those who have died peacefully and those who have died tragically, the old and the young. Receive them into your kingdom.

Amen.

Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

Leader: 'Loving God, joining with the Church in our cycle of prayer, we ask your blessings on:

- The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- The Diocese of Gippsland: †Richard Treloar; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Camp Hill – Norman Park: Peter Moore - Locum
- Roslyn Lodge Pastoral Visitation Program, Mt Tamborine
- St Hilda's School, Southport: Principal – Virginia Warner; Chaplain - Patrick Duckworth; Chair of School Council - Catherine O'Sullivan; members of School Council; staff & students

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Leader: 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.

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Devotions

The Priest leads the Blessing of the Home after Epiphany

Visit, O blessed Lord,
these homes with the gladness of your presence,
Bless all who live here with the gift of your love;
and grant that they may manifest your love to all whose lives they touch.
May they grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you;
guide, comfort, and strengthen them;
preserve them in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Garden

Antiphon:
As the earth puts forth its blossom, or bushes in a garden burst into flower, so shall the Lord God make righteousness and praise blossom before all the nations.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land:
Indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

Let us pray,
Jesus, our good Companion, on many occasions you withdrew from your friends for quiet and refreshment: Be present with your servants in their special spaces to which they come for fellowship, recreation and reflection; and make of it we pray, a place of serenity and peace; in your Name we ask it.
Amen.

A sacred/prayer space

Antiphon:
Let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst.

Lift up your hands in the holy place;
And bless the Lord.

Let us pray,
Almighty God, from you comes every good prayer, and you pour out on those who desire it, the spirit of grace and supplication: Deliver your servants when they draw near to you in this place from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections they may worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Leader:

You are invited to scan the QR code to visit the commitment prayers for the week,
in this quiet time, as we enter a few minutes of silence together.

This week we are praying for all those in or considering Lay Ministry Roles at HHO.
We will be still together for a few moments, before Spiritual communion on the next slide.
Leader and Cantor Mute.

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Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of your most Sacred Body and Blood.
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my Soul. I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally in Holy Communion.
Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it, Sanctify it. Render my heart like your own heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.
Amen

Making a Spiritual Communion

(Prayed in silence)

Leader unmutes

Our final song is

Healer

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=57S_NBOmyx0

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

Leader mutes

Leader and cantor unmute

Sending Prayer

All:

We go out into the world in peace
as links in the chain of faith;
may we be brave witnesses,
sharing through word and deed
the revelations we have received.
Amen.

The Priest offers the Blessing

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and
remain with you always.

Amen.

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Notices

- Thanks Rev'd Jess for visiting us today and sharing the message!
- Contemplative Service team meeting today at 2pm. All welcome.
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party 13th February 6pm this week.
- Ash Wednesday Contemplative Service 14th February 6pm this week.
- 3D Dialogue first gathering 25th February 5:30pm. Still time to sign up and start reading!

Offerings Welcome at holyhermits.com.au/give or via the HHO App.

Thank you for your regular gifts to this ministry.

Serving next week: 18th February 2024

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Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ,

Amen.

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Fellowship time

Thank you to Julie, for leading Fellowship. Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the Chat and head off when you are ready.

Extra resources developed by Roots on the Web

Art by Sr Angela of Stroud