Leader: Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship 10th Sunday after Pentecost Today we remember Holy Hermit St. Sergius of Radonezh and honour our Brother Bill who has passed into eternal peace

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Deacon: Lauren

Welcomer: Julie

Leader: Jeremy

Cantor: Barry

First Reader: Paul

Second Reader: Liz

Preacher: Flashback

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Hospitality

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Leader: Please mute for the service unless invited to offer your voice as part of the

Have the video camera video on or off and turn the volume and brightness up or down on your

Our Cantor acts as our voice, Audio



offering the responses, in Bold Text, which we say together

Feel welcome to use the chat and reaction emojis >





Please take care of yourself in this space. To Come and go as you need



☐ It is great to take rest in this space, so falling asleep is also OK ☐

© Remember, pastoral care is available to all in the community, if you'd like to speak to someone about anything spiritual. \Box Visit the <u>help page</u> at the website to reach out \oplus

Our Being Together ethos and safeguarding practices can also be accessed on the website [

Come as you are - we are all here together!

Leader: Our Holy Hermit Highlights for today - St. Sergius of Radonezh

Sergius (baptised as Bartholomew) was born into a noble Russian family in Rostov in 1314. The family became impoverished and moved to the village of Radonezh about 1328. After his parents' death Sergius sought a secluded life, finding a place in the deep forest near the Marovets hill where he built a small cell and a chapel.

Sergius lived alone for a number of years, surrounded by wild animals that did not harm him. Every day a bear came to visit him, and Sergius shared his bread with the bear. He was visited by the holy monk Mitrofan, from whose hands he received the tonsure, and the name Sergius. People learned of him and came to him for spiritual guidance.

In 1345, the Trinity-Sergius Monastery was formed. As the settlement grew, Sergius sent his monks as disciples to spread the Gospel across central and northern Russia, with many new monasteries being established by these disciples often in some of the most uninhabitable locations.



To read more about our hermits please click the link in the send out

Invitation

Leader: As we settle into worship let your breath be soft, your mind be still, and your heart be open to the presence of God.

Leader: Please note the special celebration.

Prelude for Choral Evensong at St. John's Cathedral 10 August 2025

Celebrating the completion of stage one of the cathedral organ refurbishment.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O-cESBGvh0s

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.

Gathering Prayer

Leader: May all that is in us bless God's holy name, for he is the one who forgives our sin, saves us, and crowns us with love and mercy.

All: Lord, we long to worship and praise you in all your majesty, mystery and power.

You are greater than we can understand or imagine.

You are awesome!

Yet we thank you that, through Jesus, we can approach you with confidence and joy.

Amen.

Sentence

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

Cantor:

You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust from my youth. Upon you have I leaned since my birth.

Psalm 71.5-6

Prayer of Approach

Leader: We pray the prayer of approach together.

All: Majestic God, we bless you with all our being, we remember all your touches of grace in our lives and thank you for the gifts of healing and strength.

O God, you are just and righteous, so we come to worship you in prayer, song and silence.

In Jesus' name.

Amen.

The Deacon Introduces 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 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.

Our First Hymn is

Gather your people

https://youtu.be/ff3ojS-sYD0?si=56zsAHC_Y0dxzZtQ

We stay on mute Leader and Cantor mute

Collect

Leader:

O God, the Judge of all, through the saving blood of your Son you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken: fill us with reverence and awe in your presence, that in thanksgiving we and all your Church may offer you acceptable worship; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives to intercede for us, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer for sustainability

Leader:

Generous God, We hold before you the financial stability and future sustainability of Holy Hermits Online. Guide us as we seek to grow our community's giving, so we may continue the work you have called us to being together in this digital space. Show us where to place our energy as we explore new funding sources and fresh opportunities. Be present with us and those we meet as we reach out to charitable trusts and foundations, inviting their support for our outreach—especially to those unable to get to Church in person.

Continue...

Stir the hearts of all who believe in this mission to greater generosity, creativity, and commitment. We thank you for the partnerships you have already blessed us with, especially our home base at St John's Cathedral. We pray in the name of Jesus, who lived on mission and said, If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Amen.

The 1st reader unmutes

Leader: I invite the 1st Reader to unmute and offer the 1st reading when ready.

Reader 1: The first reading is from Jeremiah 1.4-10

- ⁴ Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
- ⁵ 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you;
- I appointed you a prophet to the nations.'
- ⁶ Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.'
- ⁷ But the LORD said to me,
- 'Do not say, "I am only a boy";
- for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Continue...

⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD .'

⁹ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

'Now I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

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

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

Psalm 71.1-6

¹ To you, Lord, have I come for shelter:

let me never be put to shame.

² In your righteousness rescue and deliver me: incline your ear to me and save me.

³ Be for me a rock of refuge, a fortress to defend me: for you are my high rock, and my stronghold.

⁴ Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked: from the grasp of the pitiless and unjust.

Continue...

⁵ For you, Lord, are my hope:

you are my confidence, O God, from my youth upward.

⁶ On you have I leaned since my birth:

you are he that brought me out of my mother's womb,

and my praise is of you continually.

The 2nd reader unmutes

Leader: Thank you, 1st reader. I invite the 2nd Reader to unmute and offer the 2nd reading when ready.

Reader 2: The 2nd Reading is from Hebrews 12.18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. 20 (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,

Continue...

²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' 27 This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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



The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke Chapter 13 beginning at the 10th verse

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' 13 When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.'

Continue...

¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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



Leader: The Sermon is recorded to YouTube for sharing later.

Only the preacher's video and audio will be recorded.

The chat and other participants' feeds remain out of sight of the recording.

- > Leader and Cantor mute
- > Broadcaster exits screenshare
- Ø Preacher unmutes
- Ø Zoom buttons "pins" preacher's screen + selects "record to the cloud"

Sermon - Flashback: Set free to praise Guest - The Rev'd Mary-Anne Rulfs

https://youtu.be/8kdoXpM7KxQ

Leader unmutes Our next Hymn is

O For a Heart to Praise My God

https://youtu.be/0FyAY9fzcnU

We stay on mute Leader mutes

The Greeting of Peace

Leader: We are the body of Christ

All: God's Spirit is with us

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: A sign of peace may be exchanged

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

(Broadcaster exits shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace)

Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

Leader: As we enter prayer, I invite the second reader to unmute to lead our intercessions which follow the prayer of thanksgiving. Please feel free to change your body position as you need.

Eternal God, we praise you for your humility and love: which draws us into your presence, though we are not worthy; which delights at our worship, though it is not perfect; which rejoices at our faith, though it is fragile; which celebrates our lives, though they are flawed. We praise you and thank you, for being so wonderful, wise and loving. Amen

Intercessions

Reader 2: We pray for creation and communities 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 environments and communities 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
Benedictus Contemplative Church, Canberra
The Episcopal Diocese of Texas
Anglican Focus and
Tithe.ly

Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.

Creator God, Hear our prayer.

Reader 2: Loving Creator, we entrust to you all animals, especially those who are sick, anxious, ageing, lost, at risk, lonely, sad, hungry, in pain, homeless, abused, living in fear, encountering violence of any kind, in need of comfort, rehabilitation or transformation. We invite your loving compassion for:

Jasmine, Leese(y), Sid, Bobo and Toots Polly, Meggsie and Suki Fred, George and Percy Koshka, Lambert Kala, Nigel and Little One Toby Taco Paddy

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, the animals we bring to the Lord in prayer. PAUSE...

Reader 2: Eternal Trinity of Love, we uphold to you the people we love and carry cares for:

Kerry and Les, Jake,
Dr Julie,
Julie and Ray, Tracey, Shane
Jess and Leah
May
Kirsten, Greg, Daphne & Beau
Tanya
Matthew & Nicholas
Alan & Gaylene
Susan
Bonnie and girls

Barry Dilys and Tony, Paul and Darhon Judy and Mary Mark, Desley and Bob Ruth Josephine P Carol McD Phil Rachel, Mervyn & Gillian Liz's Godchildren

Bill and Marjorie
Rev'd Shane & Janette
Alecia, Martin and Aidan
Aaron and Andrea
Neva
Bob and Di
Steven, Vanessa and Craig
Miriam
Judy, Kim and Angie
Barry and Gwen
Pat and Julie

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

PAUSE...

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayers.

Amen.

Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

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

- The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- · The Diocese of The Murray: †Keith Dalby; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Gold Coast South: Arthur Savage, Greg McGrory
- The homeless and those out of work
- Anglican Schools Australia Management Committee and Member Schools: President - Peter Laurence

Commitment prayer for the week: People in Need

Leader:

God who gives shelter, we give thanks for opportunities to offer support and prayers for those that are struggling at this time to put a permanent roof over their heads and to shelter those they love.

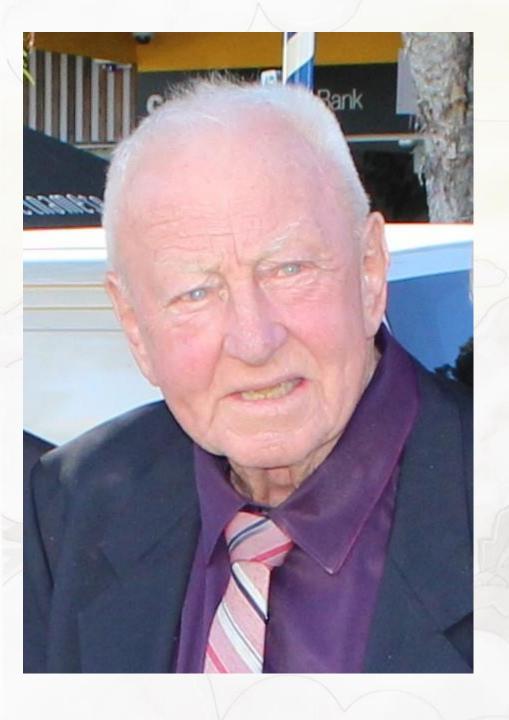
Please shine a light on homelessness for the people and animals experiencing this and provide a way for homes to be found and others to help, especially governments and churches.

Please protect all living rough and give safety and security to families and young people, and those who are supporting them.

Please help us channel and inspire the hospitality that Jesus and his followers sought and encouraged in their day, and especially strengthen those already offering this ministry. Awaken compassion in the hearts of all people to reach out with a loving hand. When we feel disheartened by this unfolding situation, please refocus our energies to keep praying and finding small ways to help so we don't feel so overwhelmed.

Usher in a wave of change for systems to be transformed and ways made for large scale transformation.

Amen.



The priest leads the Memorial Prayers Honouring our Brother Bill The Lord Jesus is the lover of his people and our only sure hope. Let us ask him to deepen our faith and sustain us in this hour. You became a little child for our sake, sharing our human life. To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You grew in wisdom, age, and grace, and learned obedience through suffering.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You welcomed children, promising them your kingdom.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You comforted those who mourned the loss of friends.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You took upon yourself the suffering and death of us all.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You promised to raise up those who believe in you, just as you were raised up in glory by the Father.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

Lord God, you entrusted Bill to our care and now you embrace him in your love. Comfort us, your servants, who seek to do your will and to know your saving peace. Amen.



We thank you, our Father, that your Son Jesus Christ came to die for us. We thank you that you raised him from the dead. We thank you for the gift of life, and the life of Bill. Bring us, with Bill and all your faithful people, to the fullness of life you promise to those who love you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We confess that 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. Grant us forgiveness, and assure us of your love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Strengthen us to love and obey you, that we may live the rest of our lives in following your Son, and be ready when you call us to the fullness of eternal life. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who mourn.
Especially those who will miss Bill the most;
Vanessa and Steven, David and Craig;
his grandchildren and Church friends at St John's Bulimba;
Be close to them in their loss.
Increase their faith in your undying love.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Show your mercy to the dying.
Sustain them with hope, and fill them with the peace and joy of your presence.
Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We praise you, Lord God, for your faithful servants in every age. May we, with Bill and Jacqueline, and all who have died in the faith of Christ, be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your eternal kingdom. Amen.

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.

Carol- "my condolences to Vanessa and with HHO I will be upholding them in prayer, for them all.

I was saddened to read of Billing's passing and send my condolences. Blessings, Stephanie

"Dear Vanessa and family, I hope you all know that Bill is resting in the arms of our Lord, free from earth's trouble and pain.

My love and prayers are with you all, as you take time to grieve, Bill's loss. The loss of a parent if especially difficult.

May all of us at Holy Hermits keep you in our thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

May the eternal father give you all comfort and support as you need it, Love Liz".

We give thanks for the time we got to share with Bill at HHO and trust Bill is once again reunited with beloved wife, Jacqueline.

Bill will be greatly missed.

At this time, we will keep Vanessa, Steven and all family and friends in our special prayers we





To Bill, our beloved brother- "May flights of angels sing thee to thy rest," "May the light of heaven shine upon your soul May the peace of God surround you and make you whole May the grace of Christ be with you now and always May you rest in peace forever and ever always"

To Vanessa, our beloved sister, and her family.
"Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day,
unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear".
With warm regards, Grant

Dear Vanessa and family,
I am praying for God's peace to bring you comfort.
May you have courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.
God bless you, Chris

I am so sad to hear of Bill's passing and the sorrow of Vanessa. I am sure this is not "groovy." I would like to share these hymn lyrics with the community. Thank you for this opportunity. Peace and Blessings, Paul.

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

A poem from Marcia: Alfred Lord Tennyson Crossing the Bar

Sunset and evening star, And one clear call for me!

And may there be no moaning of the bar, When I put out to sea,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep, Too full for sound and foam, When that which drew from out the boundless deep, Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell, And after that the dark!

And may there be no sadness of farewell, When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place, The flood may bear me far, I hope to see my Pilot face to face, When I have crost the bar.

Support us, O Lord, all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done.

Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging with Bill and all your Saints, a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us pray together 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.





Leader: Teachings from St. Sergius of Radonezh

Sergius' community at Holy Trinity served as a model for secluded ascetic life in organised communities outside towns and cities.

He was committed to poverty and to sincerity.

He led by example, giving help to all who sought it, establishing monastery schools and teaching farmers better methods of farming.

He combined detachment from the world with sacrificial service for the common good.

Leader: As we enter a few minutes of silence together, you are invited to pray this

prayer of adoration and/or spend this time in contemplation

The Spiritual Communion prayer follows on the next slide. Let us be still.

Leader and Cantor Mute.

God of purity and perfection, your holy Word draws us to you in reverence, awe and wonder.

The skills you have entrusted to poets, artists, musicians and dancers draw us to you in reverence, awe and wonder.

The vastness of the sky, the power of the sea,

the song of the birds draw us to you in reverence, awe and wonder.

Amen.



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



Leader unmutes
Our final song is

All Consuming Fire

https://youtu.be/jw6uT1-Yz7s?si=hBbuPTws1OtDLeE1&t=15

We stay on mute Leader and Cantor mute

Sending Prayer

Leader: We pray our sending prayer together.

All: Lord of awe and wonder,
Lord of gentleness and strength,
Lord of joy and celebration,
we go out into the world with you.
Amen.

The Priest offers the Blessing

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

Amen.

Notices

- This evening we have a Contemplative service at 6pm. Prayer with three Carmelites.
- Wednesday study @ 6pm with A Holy Spirit Study led by Troy, please sign up to receive the study link
- Benedictus evening meditation daily @ 5:30pm. Join for a time of fellowship afterwards. The link is in the weekly send out
- · Next Sunday we remember Holy Hermit St. Jerome of Striden
- See HHO Events page for further upcoming events HHO Events

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Serving next week 31st August 12th Sunday of Pentecost 9:00 am AEST

Service Prep: Lauren

Chat Host: Viki

First Reader: Bob

Music: Wiggles

Priest: Jamee

Second Reader: Vanessa

Proof-reader: Jamee

Deacon: Jamee

Preacher: Jamee

Broadcaster: Barry

Welcomer: Chris

Fellowship: Troy

Backup Broadcaster: Jamee

Leader: Julie

Safety Officer: Leonie

Zoom Buttons: Viki

Cantor: Roselyn

Thank you for your ministry gifts

New servers are always welcome!

Please email Kerrie-Anne to get involved holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ, Amen.

Fellowship time
Thank you, Julie for
leading fellowship

Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the chat and head off when you are ready.



Climbing to God's Heavenly City.

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