

The Baptism of our Lord

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9.00am



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**St Andrew's
Church
WALKERVILLE**

St Andrew's is a Christ-centred,
sacramental, inclusive, thinking,
prayerful, mission-oriented
faith community

Today's Service

9.00am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw

Processional Hymn (please stand)

1. All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine,
yielding your glory in your love's design,
that in our darkened hearts your grace might shine:
Alleluia!
2. You came to us in lowliness of thought;
by you the outcast and the poor were sought,
and by your death was our redemption wrought:
Alleluia!
3. The mind of Christ is as our mind should be –
he was a servant, that we might be free,
humbling himself to death on Calvary:
Alleluia!
4. And so we see in God's great purpose, how
Christ has been raised above all creatures now,
and at his name shall every nation bow:
Alleluia!
5. Let every tongue confess with one accord,
in heaven and earth, that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and God the Father be by all adored:
Alleluia!

F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984) based on Philippians 2:5-11, adapted by Jubilate Hymns

Greeting

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

And also with you.

May Christ, the true, the only light
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

Visit us with your salvation
and sustain us with your gracious Spirit.

Sentence of the Day

God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power;
and he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by
the devil, for God was with him. *Acts 10.38*

Prayer of Preparation

(Let us Pray)

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy,**
Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy,**
Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.**

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

(Let us pray)

Eternal God,
at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan
you proclaimed him your beloved Son,
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit:
grant that all who are baptised into his name
may keep the covenant they have made,
and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour;
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven:
ascribe to the Lord glory and might.

² Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name:
O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.

³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters:
**the God of glory thunders,
the Lord upon the great waters.**

⁴ The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees:
the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ He makes them skip like a calf:
Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash:
**the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert,
the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh.**

⁸ The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees,
and strips bare the forests:
in his temple all cry 'Glory.'

⁹ The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood:
the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever.

¹⁰ The Lord will give strength to his people:
the Lord will give to his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading: Acts 19:1-7

After the reading

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (please stand)

- 1. May the mind of Christ my Saviour
live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling
all I do or say.**
- 2. May the word of God dwell richly
in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph
only through his power.**
- 3. May the peace of God my Father
rule my life in everything,
that I may be calm to comfort
sick and sorrowing.**
- 4. May the love of Jesus fill me,
as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self abasing -
this is victory.**
- 5. May I run the race before me
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go.**

Katie Barclay Wilkinson (1859-1928)

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:4-11

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, chapter one, beginning at the fourth verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel the reader says...

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon – Celebrant

Affirmation of Faith (please stand)

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions (please sit or kneel) – refer to Cycle of Prayer on page 20

Let us pray for the Spirit's guidance in the world and for the church

The response to each petition is:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Prayer for a new incumbent:

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Parish prayer:

God our Father, you have made us members of Christ and of his church in this parish. May our worship be offering of our hearts and lives to you. Help us to reach out in welcome to newcomers and visitors, to encourage and care for each other in friendship and fellowship, and to grow in grace, love and unity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the intercessions:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession & Absolution:

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

A pause for reflection.

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

**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.**

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

The Prayer of Approach

Let us pray

**We do not presume
to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the
crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.**

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.

Offertory Hymn

1. **God has spoken - by his prophets,
spoken his unchanging word;
each from age to age proclaiming
God the one, the righteous Lord;
In the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor holds us fast:
God eternal reigns for ever,
God the first, and God the last.**

2. **God has spoken - by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son;
brightness of the Father's glory,
with the Father, ever one:
spoken by the word incarnate,
Life, before all time began,
Light of Light, to earth descending,
God, revealed as Son of Man.**

3. **God is speaking - by his Spirit,
speaking to our hearts again;
in the ageless Word declaring
God's own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations
one sure faith is holding fast:
God abides, his word unchanging,
God the first, and God the last.**

George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959)

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah,
the light of the nations,
and revealed him as the hope
of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine, and we pray
that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them may be partakers
of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'
After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sin of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour, glory and power,
are yours for ever and ever, Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**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.**

The Breaking of Bread and Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body:

for we all share in the one bread.

The congregation joins in the Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Administration of Communion

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to come forward and receive Holy Communion. Gluten free bread is available on request. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward to receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal to the priest).

Communion Hymn

1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
in living echoes of thy tone;
as thou has sought, so let me seek
thy erring children lost and lone.
2. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
the wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
thy hungering ones with manna sweet.
3. O strengthen me, that, while I stand
firm on the rock, and strong in thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand
to wrestlers with the troubled sea.
4. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
the precious things thou dost impart;
and wing my words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.
5. O give thine own sweet rest to me,
that I may speak with soothing power
a word in season, as from thee,
to weary ones in needful hour.
6. O use me, Lord, use even me,
just as thou wilt, and when, and where,
until thy blessed face I see,
thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

God of the nations,
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.
Guide us by your presence,
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,
and establish your justice in the earth.

**Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out, in the power of your Spirit
To live and work to your praise and glory.**

Notices

Final Hymn

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form, for mortal's sake.
2. He sent no angel to our race,
of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame
himself, and to this lost world came.
3. For us he was baptized and bore
his holy fast, and hungered sore;
for us temptation sharp he knew,
for us the tempter overthrew.
4. For us he prayed, for us he taught,
for us his daily works he wrought,
by words and signs and actions thus
still seeking not himself, but us.
5. For us to wicked hands betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us at length gave up his breath.
6. For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
7. To him whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through his Son,
to God, the Father, glory be,
both now and through eternity.

*Latin, 15th cent. attrib Thomas a Kempis (c.1379-1471)
tr Benjamin Webb (1819-85) altd.*

Blessing & Dismissal

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.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

Organ Postlude – we sit in reflection

If you are new today, welcome!

Contact cards are available for you to complete today.

We would love to get your contact details so that we can keep you up to date with the life of the parish.

Please ask one of our friendly welcomers for a card, and return it to them (or place it in the offertory bowl) when you have completed it.

For your Prayers this week

The Nations and People of the Earth:

Pray for protection for all who crew ships in the Red Sea - for safety from piracy and terrorism.

Pray for International Aid agencies and their work in various nations - Red Cross and UNICEF - especially in Gaza.

Pray for peace everywhere - especially in Sudan.

Pray for the world Food Programme internationally and Food Bank locally.

Pray for an end to domestic violence and protection for all who are its victims.

The Church and its Mission:

The Church of the Province of South East Asia.

Primate: ++Melter Jiki Tais.

Elizabeth: *Locum Tenens* Lyn McRostie

National Aboriginal Bishop: +Chris McLeod (Susan)

The Diocese of The Murray at this time of turmoil and upset: the parishioners and clergy.

Archdeacon Simon Waters as he acts as Administrator.

At St Andrew's we pray:

For St Andrew's maintaining a good status and reputation in the Town of Walkerville, and for our outreach into the community.

For our parish relationship with Walkerville community groups, and our ecumenical relationship with Walkerville Uniting Church.

That we may be welcoming to visitors and newcomers.

For our Patronage Committee in their search for a new Rector.

Ourselves and our Community:

Pray that we may have the gifts of friendship and fellowship.

Pray also that we may affirm and help each other with mutual support.

Special Prayer Requests: See page 23

The Departed

Thanksgiving for those who have gone before us in faith:

Antony of Egypt (d. 356), *abbot*

17 January

Notices

In the Parish

- ❖ **Attention all families with children!** Please put 9.30am on Sunday 28th January firmly into your diary for the “Blessing of the backpacks” in preparation for the new term. It would be great to see you there.
- ❖ **9am service during January.** Please note that there will be one service only on the Sundays of January - starting at 9 am. Our usual pattern of worship, two services at 8 and 9.30am, will resume on Sunday 4th February.
- ❖ **Key amnesty:** We are undertaking a review of church keys. If you have any keys at all to the church and its cupboards and have not already been identified as a keyholder recently by the office, please contact the Wardens or the office.
- ❖ **Offertory envelopes** for the current year are available on the table near the Choir Vestry at the back of the Church.
If you wish **give electronically**, please donate to this account:
Account name: St Andrew’s, Walkerville
BSB: 633-000
Account number: 144 103 314
Reference: “Offering”, + your name if different from the name on your account.
- ❖ **The Rev'd Paula Bullock** will be the celebrant at Holy Communion for the next two Sundays. The Langshaws will be on a holiday arranged well before the opportunity to come to Walkerville was envisaged.
- ❖ **The Rev'd Sally Sandford-Morgan** will be commissioned as Priest-in-Charge of St Richard’s of Chichester, Lockleys on Thursday 8th February at 7pm. All welcome – refreshments provided.
- ❖ **Easter services:** please check the parish website for details of Easter services this year. Please return your palm crosses from last year!

- ❖ **Special Prayer Requests:** if you would like to nominate someone for special prayers, please mention their names, and the circumstances they face, to Stuart.

Diary Dates

Sunday 14 January Baptism of our Lord	9.00am	Said Eucharist with hymns
Friday 19 January	10.00am	Tai Chi (Parish Centre)
Sunday 21 January Epiphany 3	9.00am	Said Eucharist with hymns (The Rev'd Paula Bullock presiding)
Friday 26 January		AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Sunday 28 January Epiphany 4 (Blessing of the backpacks as the children prepare to return to school)	9.00am	Said Eucharist with hymns (The Rev'd Paula Bullock presiding)
Monday 29 January	9.00am	St Andrew's School staff commencement service (Church)
Friday 2 February	10.00am	Tai Chi (Parish Centre)
Saturday 3 February	10.00am	Saturday market (Parish Centre)
Sunday 4 February Epiphany 5	8.00am 9.30am	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist with hymns

Readings for next Sunday (Epiphany 3)

1st Reading: Jonah 3: 1-10
 Psalm 62: 5-12
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31
 Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

Rosters for today, Sunday 14th January (The Baptism of our Lord)

Celebrant & Preacher: 9.00am The Rev'd Stuart Langshaw
Readers: 9.00am Wayne Butcher
Prayer Leader: 9.00am Wayne Butcher
Lay Assistants: 9.00am Mel Dow
Server: 9.00am Michael Thomas
Sidespersons: 9.00am Jan de Wit, Sally Zimmerman, Roy Ingram
Morning Tea 9.00am Val Ingram, Suzanne Sexton

Rosters for Sunday 21st January (3rd Sunday after Epiphany)

Celebrant & Preacher: 9.00am The Rev'd Paula Bullock
Readers: 9.00am Sally Zimmerman
Prayer Leader: 9.00am TBC
Lay Assistants: 9.00am Biffy Ormsby
Server: 9.00am John Beer
Sidespersons: 9.00am Brian Zwar, Michael Thomas, Robin
Coleman
Morning Tea 9.00am Frances Wilson, Molly Radakovitch

Rosters for Sunday 28th January (4th Sunday after Epiphany)

Celebrant & Preacher: 9.00am The Rev'd Paula Bullock
Readers: 9.00am Janet Martin
Prayer Leader: 9.00am Wayne Butcher
Lay Assistants: 9.00am Liz Owen
Server: 9.00am Michael Thomas
Sidespersons: 9.00am Ray Newell; Tony Holloway, Robert Dow
Morning Tea 9.00am Jennie Coleman, Margaret Gall, Donna
Coombe