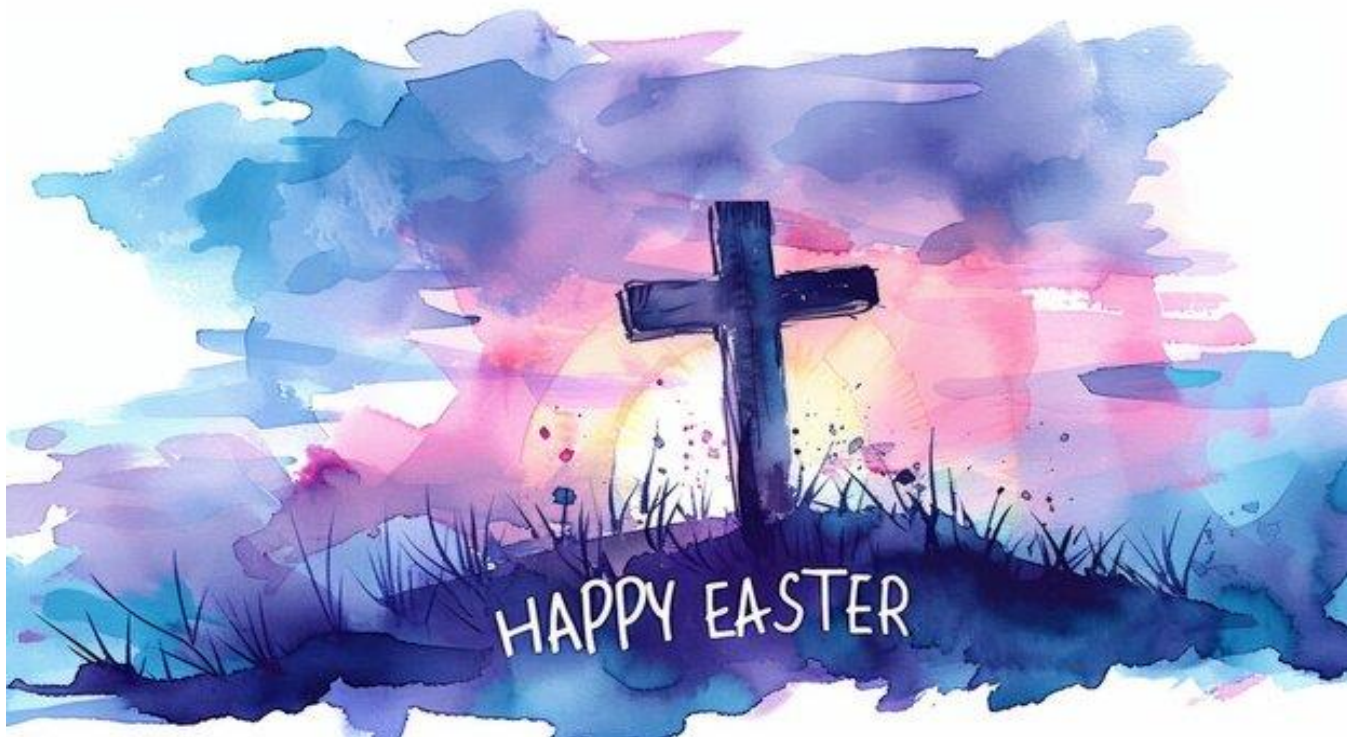


Easter Day

20th April 2025

8.00am



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**St Andrew's
Church
WALKERVILLE**

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

Today's Services

8.00am and 9.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

The congregation is invited to stand and face the entrance of the church.

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The Paschal candle is brought to the church doors.

The candle is marked, and the following prayers are said by the Priest.

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;
to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever.

Amen.

By his holy and glorious wounds
may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

Amen.

The priest lights the Easter Candle, saying
May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

The priest enters the building, and they pause just inside the entrance.

The priest raises the candle and says:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Paschal candle is carried into the church.

The procession may pause a number of times, with the priest saying:

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God

The Paschal Candle is placed in the stand

Easter Proclamation

Leader: Early in the morning,

Women: Fearful but faithful,

Men: Dubious and doubting,

All: We came to the garden

Women: We expected only silence but we heard the voice of angels;

Men: We did not understand but we found our hope rekindled;

All: We came to attend to a corpse but instead we encountered
Life! Alleluia!

Leader: With Peter and the other disciples who came in haste and
left believing:

All: Alleluia

Leader: With Mary of Magdala who stayed to weep and saw the
Lord:

All: Alleluia

Leader: With all the people of God who have come in sorrow and
found their joy fulfilled:

All: Alleluia

Leader: For in Jesus; Life has conquered death;
Hope has conquered fear.

All: Alleluia

Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Christ is risen. Alleluia!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.**

Confession

Jesus said: Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

A pause for reflection

Let us then confess our sins with a true and sincere heart.

**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.**

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

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

God of life, on this Easter morning, you have rolled away the stone and opened the door to hope. Fill us with the joy of resurrection, that we may live as people of new life, sharing your love with the world.
Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen**

The 2025 Easter Egg Jesus Story

First Reading: Isaiah 65: 17-25

After the reading

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

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

We give thanks to You, O Beloved, for You are kind;
your steadfast Love endures forever!

Let every nation proclaim,
Your steadfast Love endures forever.

Harken to songs of victory, to the music of my soul:
You, O Loving Presence, have been my strength,

You have stood beside me in the darkness,
You have walked with me into the light!

I shall not give in to fear, but I shall live in peace
and give witness to your saving grace.

You turned your face from my weaknesses,
and You opened the door leading to new life.

Yes, You opened to me the gates of truth and justice,
that I might enter through them.
Praise be to You, O Merciful One!

This is the Door to Life;
those who know Love shall enter through it.

I give thanks to You, O Beloved,
who answer our prayers and invite us to new Life.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the foundation of our lives.

This, O Eternal Listener, is your Work;
it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which You have made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-43

After the reading

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

Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 1-12

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke,
chapter twenty-four, beginning at the first 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

Alternative Creed

I ask you to reaffirm as yours the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God,
who made and loves all that is.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was born, lived, died and rose again.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who calls, equips and sends God's people,
and brings all things to their true end.**

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe in one God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Intercessions

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

The response to each petition is:

Risen Lord,
hear our prayer.

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.**

The Greeting of Peace

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

God's peace be you.

And also with you.

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,

Which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,

Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

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

We give you thanks and praise

Before the bright dawn in the garden
in which Love was resurrected,
before the cold silence of the tomb
by which Love was swallowed,
before the black horror of the cross
on which Love was broken,
before the bitter struggle of another garden
through which Love affirmed its choices,
Jesus, eating a final supper with his friends,
blessed and broke bread
and poured out a cup of wine,
sharing these tokens with them
as a confirmation of the life he had lived
and a sign of what was to come.

So we, too, recalling that moment, and honouring that life,
now thank you for these gifts of bread and wine, may we who receive
them as Jesus said, share his body and his blood as a confirmation and
sign that we are part of its ongoing story.

**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.**

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.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

As we remember and rejoice, may we once again encounter Love and be transformed by Life. May we remember with wonder and joy that Love, though broken on a cross, was not defeated, and – though swallowed by death – was not silenced, but lives and speaks still, words of welcome, healing, and hope.

**Blessing and honour and 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

This is the bread of life
and this is the wine of compassion.
The gifts of God for the people of God.

Administration of Communion

All who wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward at the appropriate time. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please also come forward and indicate this by bowing your head.

Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

We kindly ask that you receive the bread and wine separately rather than dipping the wafer into the cup.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, giver of life,
in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.
May we who celebrate this holy feast
walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation.

Most loving God,

**you send us into the world you love give us grace to go thankfully
and with courage in the power of your spirit.**

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The Blessing

The blessing of the Living God,
who brings light out of darkness,
be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

The blessing of the risen Christ,
who sends you as disciples into
the world be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

The blessing of the Holy Spirit,
who fills us with joy and praise,
be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

The blessing of our God, Creator, Revealer & Sustainer of Life
be upon you and remain with you now, and forever.
Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Postlude – we sit in reflection

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If you are new today, welcome!
Please join us for refreshments and conversation at Morning Tea
following the 9.30 am service, in the Parish Centre next door.
We would love to have 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 form, and return it to them (or place it in the offertory
bowl) when you have completed it.
Many thanks.

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Notices

In the Parish

- ❖ **ANZAC DAY, Dawn service:** This year's ANZAC Day in Walkerville will commence with the Dawn Service at Memorial Gardens on Church Terrace at 6.15am. Arrive by 6am.
- ❖ **CHATAWAY VISIT:** The Very Rev'd Chris Chataway, Dean of St George's Cathedral, Perth, will be the guest preacher at the 8am & 9.30am services next Sunday, 27th April. All parishioners are welcome to join the Chataway family at the 9.30am service for the baptism of Jonathan & Katie Chataway's daughter, Millie.
- ❖ **ST MARY MAGDALENE DINNER:** St Andrew's is providing dinner at the Magdalene Centre on Saturday 3rd May. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer, and mark it in your diary.
- ❖ **ELECTION DAY, FUNDRAISING STALLS:** The Parish Centre will once again be a polling station for the Federal Election on 3rd May. We will be hosting a Bake Sale. If you would like to bake cakes, slices or biscuits, and/or serve on the day, please add your name to the list in the foyer. Under the new health regulations we can only sell wrapped goods: ingredients need to be listed, date baked and your initials. Only items that don't have to be refrigerated can be sold at this bake sale. Thank you in advance for your support.
- ❖ **DONATIONS:**
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.

Readings for next Sunday (Easter 2)

1st Reading: Acts 5: 27-32

Psalm 150

2nd Reading: Revelation 1: 4-8

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

For your Prayers this week

For the world

Easter reminds us that hope rises even in the toughest situations, and new beginnings are possible.

- We pray for those affected by drought, that rain and restoration may bring relief and new life to the land and communities.
- We pray for those facing floods, that they may receive the help and support they need to rebuild their homes and lives.
- We pray for places of war and unrest, that peace may come and bring healing to those caught in conflict.

The Church and its mission

Anglican Communion: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

Primate ++Andrew Chan

Adelaide: The Barossa: Steven de Kleer SSM

Willochra: Ministry District of Southern Flinders (Georgetown, Gladstone, Jamestown, Laura, Spalding, the North East Mission): vacant, Wendy Cooper (Tim), Sr Sandra CSBC

The Murray: Increase in vocations to ordained and licensed ministry

National Church: Riverina: +Donald Kirk (Camryn)

For our surrounding communities

Easter invites us to show kindness and to share God's love with those around us

- We pray for safe travels for everyone this Easter, especially those travelling to and from their holiday destinations.
- We pray for those working over Easter, giving thanks for the service they provide.
- We pray for those who are homeless or facing financial difficulty, that they would find shelter, support, and new hope.

For time with friends and families

Easter is a time to enjoy and connect with those closest to us

- We pray for families facing conflict or distance, that they may find peace and healing in their relationships.
- We thank God for friends and loved ones, and we pray that everyone may experience the joy of shared time together this Easter.

For ourselves

Easter invites us to experience new life and transformation

- We pray for the courage to live out the hope of Easter, bringing light into our communities and families.
- May we continue to share and live the Easter message of hope, renewal, and peace in everything we do.

Those asking for our prayers:

Maggie Crewes; Lyall von Einem; Jill Berry; Rhonda Gilmour;
Allan Edgar; Kathy Edgar; Dale Van Heer; Christopher Gill

The Departed

We give thanks to God for all who have gone before us and who have helped to shape our lives. As we remember them, we give thanks and pray for all the faithful departed.

Rosters for today, Sunday 20th April (Easter Day)

Celebrant & Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Readers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Lyn Dow

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Michael Thomas

Lay Assistants: 8.00am Virginia Shek

9.30am Biffy Ormsby

Server: 9.30am Michael Thomas

Welcomers: 8.00am Brian Zwar

9.30am Michael Thomas; Rob Dow

Morning Tea 9.30am Frances Wilson; Molly Radakovitch;
Joan Beer

Rosters for next Sunday, 27th April (Easter 2)

Celebrant: 8.00 & 9.30am The Rev'd Tracey Gracey

Preacher: 8.00 & 9.30am The Very Rev'd Chris Chataway

Readers: 8.00am Ray Newell

9.30am Robin Coleman

Prayer Leader: 9.30am Wayne Butcher

Lay Assistants: 8.00am *Volunteer needed*

9.30am Wayne Butcher; Malcolm Allen

Server: 9.30am Adam Harris

Welcomers: 8.00am Ray Newell

9.30am Robin Coleman; Tony Holloway

Morning Tea 9.30am Jennie Coleman; Donna Coombe;

Yvonne Facy

Cake: Biffy Ormsby

Diary Dates

Sunday 20 April	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter Day	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
Monday 21 April		Public Holiday – Easter Monday
Tuesday 22 April	1.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
	6.30pm	Wedding rehearsal
Wednesday 23 April	9.00am	Office open until 4.30pm
	10.00am	ArtsNational – Adelaide (Church & Parish Centre)
	12.30pm	Rostrum Club (Parish Centre)
Thursday 24 April	12.30pm	Wedding, Chris & Chloe (Church)
Friday 25 April		Public Holiday – ANZAC Day
Saturday 26 April	9.00am	Women’s Breakfast (Sfizio)
Sunday 27 April	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter 2	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung) + baptism
Wednesday 30 April	9.30am	Office open until 5.00pm
	2.00pm	Faith & Fellowship (Parish Centre)
Thursday 1 May	9.00am	School services (Church)
	7.30pm	Home Fellowship (Newells’)
Friday 2 May	9.30am	Office open until 5.00pm
	2.00pm	Cleaning (all facilities)
	7.30pm	Bellringers’ practice (Tower)
Saturday 3 May	6.00am	Federal Election (Parish Centre)
	8.00am	Election Day bake sale (outside)
	3.00pm	Drop off food for Magdalene Dinner (St Andrew’s)
	4.45pm	Dinner at Magdalene Centre
Sunday 4 May	8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Easter 3	9.30am	Holy Communion (sung) + Ministry of Healing