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Hope God of peace, give a sense of hope to your people who live in countries where there is conflict. May they receive the love and nourishment they deserve, and may they strengthen each other through circumstances we cannot begin to imagine. Encourage those who work for peace and reconciliation, give them understanding and patience and a resolve not to give up. May they know the love of Jesus Christ **Amen.**

Pray for: The Church –

For those who are sick: Fred and Thelma Holman, Laura, Joyce H.

For those with an ongoing need: Debbie, Brooke, Ryan, Donna, Joyce, Sandra T, Kelly, Jan and Kimberly.

Remembering those who have joined God in the eternal life: Janet Nicholls

Prayers for our centres

Port Lincoln

We give thanks for the successful fundraiser for the wine, proceeds to go to the Anglican Board of Mission project in Myanmar.

Wangary

Blessing of the Fleece and Baptism of Jessie Ann Hurrell, parents Peter and Joanne
On September the 10th 2017.

Poonindie

We pray for Church growth at Poonindie.

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17 September 2017

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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This Week's Events

Thursday: 10.30 am - APBA Healing Eucharist Service

Friday: Op Shop – open from 9 am to 3 pm in the Parish Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY 24th September 2017,
24th September 2017 9 am St Thomas

OP SHOP IN PARISH HALL – 9am to 3pm

Fresh fruit and vegetables are welcome early in the day. Clean shopping bags, clean clothes, and household utensils, knick knacks etc welcome. For safety, please do not bring in electrical items. Offers to help in the shop on the roster, and to set out and put away, are always welcome.



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Year A

17th September 2017

Green

A reading from the Book of Exodus,

Chapter 14 beginning at Verse 19

¹⁹The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. ²⁰It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

²¹Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. ²²The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. ²³The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. ²⁴At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. ²⁵He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

²⁶Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." ²⁷So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. ²⁸The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. ²⁹But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

³⁰Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. ³¹Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

[NRSV Exodus 14:19-31]

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God

Psalm 114 [Page 345 APBA]

- 1 When Israel came out of Egypt:
and the house of Jacob from among a people
of an alien tongue,
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- 2 Judah became his sanctuary:
and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea saw that, and fled:
Jordan was driven back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams:
and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled:
O Jordan, that you were driven back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams:
and you little hills like young sheep?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord:
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 Who turned the rock into a pool of water:
and the flint-stone into a welling spring.

A reading from the Romans,

Chapter 14 beginning at Verse 1

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

¹³Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of another. ¹⁴I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean.

[NRSV Romans 14:1-14]

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew,

Chapter 18 beginning at verse 21

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

²¹Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

[NRSV Matthew 18:21-35]

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sentence

If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.