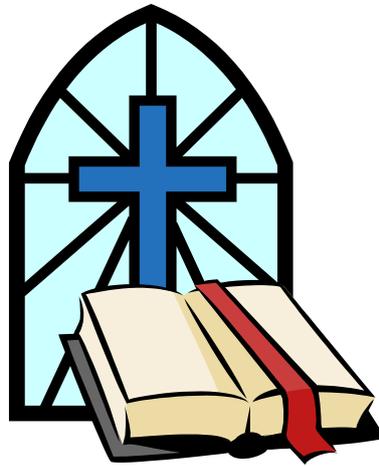


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Prayer of the Day

Grant, O Lord,
that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our need,
and may turn from every false satisfaction
to feed on the true and living bread
that you have given us in Jesus Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. . . **Amen.**

**.A reading from the second book of Samuel,
Chapter 18 beginning at Verse 5**

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom.

So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. Joab said, 'I will not waste time like this with you.' He took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into the heart of Absalom, while he was still alive in the oak.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.'

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

[NRSV 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 14, 31-33]

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God

Psalm 130 [Page 364 APBA]

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice;

O let your ears consider well:
the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
who then, O Lord, could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you:
so that you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:
and in his word is my hope.

My soul looks for the Lord:
more than watchmen for the morning,
more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is ample redemption.

He will redeem Israel:
from the multitude of their sins.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Chapter 4 beginning at Verse 25

So then, putting away falsehood let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy

Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

[NRSV Ephesians 4:25-5:1-2]

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Gradual: Tis 683 (Tune 525) V1,2,4&5

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John,

Chapter 6 beginning at verse 35

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

[NRSV John 6:35, 41-51]

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Offertory: Tis 499(Tune 124)V1,2,3&4

Post Communion: Tis 655

Final: Tis 609

A Prayer for the Parish of Port Lincoln

Father help us to be a Church that is a welcoming, caring, and meaningful community. A community which enjoys the celebration of the sacraments and has a passion to proclaim the Gospel of Christ.

A community which reaches out to others, sharing the love of God with them. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayer of the Week

Grant to us, O Lord, we beseech you,
the spirit to think and do always such things as are right,
that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may
by you be enabled to live according to your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

For those with an ongoing need:

Jan Ladyman, Arthur R, Joyce H, Brooke, Bob, Ryan, David R, Donna, Joyce, Kelly, Jan, Helen, and Kimberly.

Remembering those who have joined God in the eternal life:

Grace Hage, Richard Doudle, Sandra Tu, Yvonne Long

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May the process of finding a new minister bear fruit. May Christians consider the call to support these poorly resourced churches by leaving their comfort and going to live in the town, even for a short while. Praise God for BCA Field Staff.

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Working for Love, Hope & Justice

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost [OS 19] – Sunday 12 August 2018

- 2 Samuel 18.5-9, 14, 31-33; Psalm 130
Ephesians 4.25 – 5.2; John 6.35, 41-51

Even in utter despair the Psalmist finds hope, telling us that with the Lord there is mercy, forgiveness, and ample redemption. May we realize this, knowing that we can start with a clean slate in God's eyes, if we would only put our trust in the divine mercy.

- Pray that you will be merciful whenever the opportunity arises this week. Pray that others will forgive your offences this week.
- Pray for the Church of Pakistan, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

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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

This Week's Events

Wednesday: 12-30pm - Prayers for the Community

Thursday: 10.30 am - Australian Prayer Book

Friday 9 am to 3 pm - Op Shop open in the Parish Hall.

Friday 4pm – 5pm - Christian meditation at St Thomas,
Theme: praying with the Masters

OP SHOP IN PARISH HALL – Friday 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.

NEXT SUNDAY 12th August 2018,

9 am St Thomas

11 am Poonindie

The Link

Submissions for the link accepted until 12:00 Wednesday.

Thank you

Notices:

EP Christian Women's Camp (Ecumenical)

26-28th October, 2018

Trinity Haven

Theme: Things that Matter.

Contacts: Mel Bartel 0428 282 648, Sandra Eldridge 0400 800 346

Registration forms out soon.



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MARY SUMNER DAY

THURSDAY 16TH AUGUST at 10.30 am
In ST THOMAS ANGLICAN CHURCH PORT LINCOLN

Morning tea at 10am
Lunch at the Northern 12pm

SPECIAL GUEST
REV GAEL JOHANSEN

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