

Dubbo Anglican Church

To know Jesus and to make Him known!

Parish Bulletin 28 July 2024

Welcome!

"Welcome to church, as we gather together in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! We worship on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people and we honour and, pay our respects to Elders past and present. We pray that you may know the presence of God's Spirit as we gather together in Jesus name. And may you be encouraged by our time together today, strengthened in your faith and equipped to share God's love with those around us: making Jesus known to this city and the world."

From the Rector:

We continue working through the narrative of Joseph this weekend, dealing with the somewhat troubling passage of Genesis 38. My hope and prayer is that we will have ears to hear what God is saying to us through this part of His Word; understanding why this story is included in the Bible, and how this reminds us of God's sovereign faithfulness, and powerful work of salvation through His Son Jesus: the lion of Judah!

Earlier in the week, I was encouraged by some time spent helping with a ministry information session conducted over zoom, for the diocese. Several people at different stages of their ministry calling attended the session, where we discussed the joys and challenges of life and ministry in our region. Please join me in praying that recruitment efforts such as these will continue to bear fruit: "asking the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:38)

A reminder for anyone serving on a roster to speak with our parish Safe Ministry Coordinator Wendy Herd about what's required to ensure your safe ministry requirements are up to date. Thanks for attending to this important matter. Wendy is on leave this coming week.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Andrew

Prayers and Readings for 28 July 2024 - Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sentence:

To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:21)

Prayer of the week:

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading Genesis 38

38 At that time, Judah left his brothers and went down to stay with a man of Adullam named Hirah. ² There Judah met the daughter of a Canaanite man named Shua. He married her and made love to her; ³ she became pregnant and gave birth to a son, who was named Er. ⁴ She conceived again and gave birth to a son and named him Onan. ⁵ She gave birth to still another son and named him Shelah. It was at Kezib that she gave birth to him. ⁶ Judah got a wife for Er, his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. ⁷ But Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the LORD's sight; so the LORD put him to death.8 Then Judah said to Onan, "Sleep with your brother's wife and fulfill your duty to her as a brother-in-law to raise up offspring for your brother." 9 But Onan knew that the child would not be his; so whenever he slept with his brother's wife, he spilled his semen on the ground to keep from providing offspring for his brother. 10 What he did was wicked in the LORD's sight; so the LORD put him to death also. 11 Judah then said to his daughter-inlaw Tamar, "Live as a widow in your father's household until my son Shelah grows up." For he thought, "He may die too, just like his brothers." So Tamar went to live in her father's household. ¹² After a long time Judah's wife, the daughter of Shua, died. When Judah had recovered from his grief, he went up to Timnah, to the men who were shearing his sheep, and his friend Hirah the Adullamite went with him. ¹³ When Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is on his way to Timnah to shear his sheep," 14 she took off her widow's clothes, covered herself with a veil to disguise herself, and then sat down at the entrance to Enaim, which is on the road to Timnah. For she saw that, though Shelah had now grown up, she had not been given to him as his wife. 15 When Judah saw her, he thought she was a prostitute, for she had covered her face. ¹⁶ Not realizing that she was his daughter-in-law, he went over to her by the roadside and said, "Come now, let me sleep with you." "And what will you give me to sleep with you?" she asked. "I'll send you a young goat from my flock," he said. "Will you give me something as a pledge until you send it?" she asked. ¹⁸ He said, "What pledge should I give you?" "Your seal and its cord, and the staff in your hand," she answered. So he gave them to her and slept with her, and she became pregnant by him. ¹⁹ After she left, she took off her veil and put on her widow's clothes again. ²⁰ Meanwhile Judah sent the young goat by his friend the Adullamite in order to get his pledge back from the woman, but he did not find her. ²¹ He asked the men who lived there, "Where is the shrine prostitute who was beside the road at Enaim?" "There hasn't been any shrine prostitute here,"

they said.²² So he went back to Judah and said, "I didn't find her. Besides, the men who lived there said, 'There hasn't been any shrine prostitute here.'" ²³ Then Judah said, "Let her keep what she has, or we will become a laughingstock. After all, I did send her this young goat, but you didn't find her." ²⁴ About three months later Judah was told, "Your daughter-in-law Tamar is guilty of prostitution, and as a result she is now pregnant." Judah said, "Bring her out and have her burned to death!" ²⁵ As she was being brought out, she sent a message to her father-in-law. "I am pregnant by the man who owns these," she said. And she added, "See if you recognize whose seal and cord and staff these are." ²⁶ Judah recognized them and said, "She is more righteous than I, since I wouldn't give her to my son Shelah." And he did not sleep with her again.²⁷ When the time came for her to give birth, there were twin boys in her womb. ²⁸ As she was giving birth, one of them put out his hand; so the midwife took a scarlet thread and tied it on his wrist and said, "This one came out first." ²⁹ But when he drew back his hand, his brother came out, and she said, "So this is how you have broken out!" And he was named Perez. ³⁰ Then his brother, who had the scarlet thread on his wrist, came out. And he was named Zerah.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

¹ Fools have said in their hearts 'There is no God': they have all become vile and abominable in their doings, there is not one that does good.

² The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of Adam:

to see if there were any who would act wisely and seek after God.

³ But they have all turned out of the way, they have all alike become corrupt:

there is none that does good, no not one.

⁴ Are all the evildoers devoid of understanding:

who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not pray to the Lord?

⁵ They shall be struck with terror:

for God is with the company of the righteous.

⁶ Though they frustrate the poor in their hopes:

surely the Lord is their refuge.

⁷ O that deliverance for Israel might come forth from Zion: when the Lord turns again the fortunes of his people, then shall Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.

Second Reading Ephesians 3.14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to

know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fulness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 6.1-21

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 6, beginning at verse 1 Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), ² and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing those who were ill. ³ Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. ⁴ The Jewish Passover Festival was near. ⁵ When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming towards him, he said to Philip, 'Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?' ⁶ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, 'It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!' ⁸ Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, ⁹ 'Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?' 10 Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). 11 Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. 12 When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, 'Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.' 13 So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, 'Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.' 15 Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself. ¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, ¹⁷ where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. ¹⁸ A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. 20 But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.' 21 Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sunday Morning Tea Coordinator

If you're able to commit some time to coordinate our after-service Sunday morning tea ministry, please speak with one of the parish councillors.



Sermon Notes:

No Dreams, More Designs (Genesis 38)

Update: Parish lay synod representative

Thanks be to God, that Bruce Henderson has been appointed as our second lay synod representative (along with Dianne Phillis), having been nominated in accordance with the diocese ordinances. Please uphold Bruce and Dianne in your prayers as they prepare to attend and participate in this year's synod to be held in Bathurst on Saturday 21st September 2024.

Craft Group

All welcome to join this group. Bring along a craft or come and you may learn a new craft. 2pm on the First Saturday of Each Month in the hall.

Beth Grady 0429097867

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR THANKS, PRAISE & PRAYERS TODAY & THIS WEEK

Matthew 6:8, "For your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask Him!"

<u>Our Diocese and Parishes and people ...Praise/thank/pray...</u>

- *All Clergy, LLM's & ALL Parishes esp. those without stipendiary clergy praise/thank/pray for the faithful maintaining ministry in **Trundle**, **Albert**, **Condobolin & Tottenham** thank & pray for a pastor to come to care for the people here
- * Diocesan Registry Office praise/thank/pray for Mrs Louise Hickey, Dr Warwick Baines & Mrs Alissia Galbraith to daily know Jesus' presence & wisdom for all their work.
- *Diocesan Family Camp, 9-11 August praise/thank/pray for many to register to attend if only for a day; pray for Rev. Andy Martin as he prepares; pray for the organisers
- *Psalm 31:19, "How great is the goodness You have stored up for those who fear You. You lavish it on those who come to you for protection, blessing them before the watching world."

Our Parish & Community...praise/thank/pray...

- *Our Parish praise/thank/pray for each other; for opportunities to share with each other & grow in knowledge of God's goodness; for opportunities to show the light of Jesus to those in our community; pray for the many of our Parish Family who are sick atm Matthew 5:14, "You are the light of the world like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden."
- *SRE for Term 3 esp. <u>Peter Volkofsky, teacher</u>, & <u>Henry Halder, School Chaplain</u>— praise/thank/pray for their faithfulness & commitment to sharing the Gospel with students & staff; for their care for their school communities where they minister; pray the Word of God will fire a desire by staff & students to know Jesus as their Saviour! *Psalm 119:105, "Your Word is a lamp to guide my feet & a light for my path."*
- *Assistant Minister praise/thank/pray for God to raise up the person God has for this position.
- *Kids With a Purpose & Outreach with Cliff & Connie Burns at Apollo Park, Apollo Estate, begun 26-07-24 praise/thank/pray for this ministry & for Holy Spirit to move & work among adults & children alike to know the truth & love of the Gospel *Philippians 1:6, "And I am certain that God, Who began the good work within you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns."*

Further Afield ... Praise/thank/pray...

*Persecuted Church – Egypt – praise/thank/pray for the distribution of Bibles & Christian literature; that those who read will be encouraged & know & grow with Jesus; for believers to forgive their persecutors; for very many Muslims to turn to Jesus.

*CMS – praise/thank/pray for missionaries & for those to whom they minister in Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Ecuador, Chile, Bolivia, North Africa, Kenya, Ethiopia, Uganda, Seychelles, Madagascar, Tanzania, DR Congo, Sth Africa, Namibia. Verse from CMS to encourage care in the love of Jesus – Philippians 2:3, "Do nothing out of vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves."

*Bible Society, Australia Projects – praise/thank/pray for Scripture Grants enabling distribution of Bibles to natural disaster victims, chaplains, SRE classes, the ADF, Seaman's Christian Friend Society, churches etc; pray for hearts to be open to the truth & promise of God's Word & set readers on a journey with Jesus/grow their existing relationship with Him Timothy 3:16, "All Scripture is inspired by God & is useful to teach us what is true... It corrects us when we are wrong & teaches us to do what is right."

Mid-year Parish Finances update (January 1 to June 30 2024)

Income Expenditure
Budget \$169,756 \$174,784
Actual \$222,981* \$234,133**

*Includes \$38,000 drawn from AMIF funds to cover rectory Repairs & Maintenance.

**Includes \$60,690 R & M across all building and grounds (against a YTD budget of \$6,000)

Safe Ministry requirements

We are currently reviewing all safe ministry requirements our church, as the diocesan guidelines for safe ministry screening and training are continually reviewed and updated. Accordingly, we'll soon be contacting those people currently serving on roster who need to action items to ensure these requirements are being met (eg. Screen check forms, training). Please speak with our Safe Ministry Coordinator Wendy Herd or with Pastor Andrew, for any questions.

Service Ministry Information Sessions

The following brief (ie. 30 min) training / update sessions are planned for all those currently rostered to lead prayers, Bible readings and help with communion at church. Please plan to be there, or see Pastor Andrew if you're unable to. Thank-you!

- Leading prayers: Sunday 28th July,12pm
- Bible readings: Sunday 25th August, 12pm
- Communion helpers: Sunday 8th September, 12pm Each session will be held in the Good Shepherd chapel.



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 28 July

8am Traditional Holy Communion

10am Family Service (HC)

12:00pm Information session for those

Leading Prayers

Monday 29 July

Psalm 69.1-16, Hosea 1, Romans 4.1-12

Tuesday 30 July

Psalm 72, Hosea 2.1-13, Romans 4.13-25

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom

Wednesday 31 July

Psalm 59, Hosea 2.14-3.5, Romans 5.1-11

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom

Thursday 1 August

Psalm 74, Hosea 4.1-9, Romans 5.12-21 **7am** Mens Bible Study

9am Morning Prayer – Zoom9:30am Mums and Bubs playgroup

Friday 2 August

Psalm 77, Hosea 4.10-5.4, Romans 6.1-11

10am Holy Communion

1pm Parish prayer meeting (parish library)

Saturday 3 August

2pm Craft Group in Hall6pm Vigil Holy Communion

Sunday 4 August

8am Traditional Holy Communion

10am Family Service (HC)

12md Baptisms of Rhylie, Brodie &

Paieton Young; and Ariyah Mosey

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