

## WELCOME

We are glad you can join us today.

Activities for children to do during the service are provided in the foyer.

A Hearing Loop is installed in the church; please use your T switch.

An offering will be received during the service, to support the ongoing work of the church. Other ways of giving are included on the next page.

If you are visiting with us today, we encourage all who are baptised to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive communion, please still come forward for a blessing.

Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

Worship & Parish events will be automatically cancelled during a code red day.

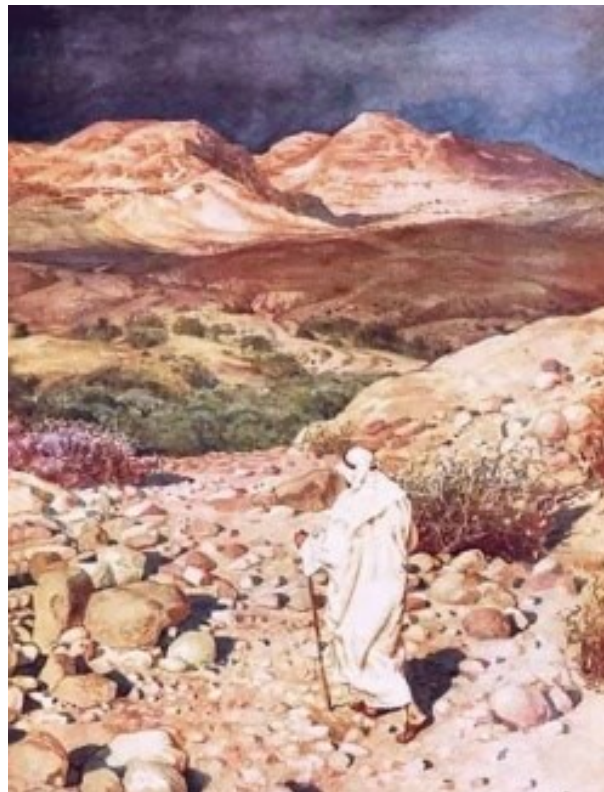
A copy of this weeks sermon will be available on the website.

## PEW SHEET

18th February 2018  
First Sunday in Lent

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation who are the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet, and we pay our respects to their elders past and present.



## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 18th	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Combined Services Breakfast
	10:00am	Eucharist
Tue 20th	1:00pm	Embryonic Dabblers
Wed 21st	9:30am	Meditation
	10:30am	Eucharist
Thu 22nd	8:30am	Property Committee meeting
	7:30pm	Taize Service
Sat 24th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 25th	8:00am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Eucharist
	Afternoon	Film, Friends, Faith & Food

### *Prayer of the Week*

O Lord,  
who for our sake fasted forty days and forty nights:  
give us grace to use such abstinence,  
that, our flesh being subdued to the spirit,  
we may ever obey your godly will  
in righteousness and true holiness;  
to your honour and glory,  
who live and reign with the Father and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

### St Margaret's Gardens

Have you noticed how neat and tidy our gardens are looking at the moment? A big thank you to Graham Constantine, Jo Norman and others who have been working hard to get the grounds in order!

## PARISH OFFICE

Our Parish office is inside Dendy House at the rear of the church. Office hours are 10am—2pm Monday to Friday. Please leave us a message or email us if the office is unattended.

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### CLERGY

**VICAR**  
The Reverend Keren Terpstra  
9439 9238 and 0438 220 878  
vicar@stmargaretseththam.org.au  
Day off Tuesday

**HONORARY ASSOCIATE CLERGY**  
The Reverend Robert Street  
9439 9238 and 0423 514 570

**HONORARY ASSISTANT CURATE**  
The Reverend Kirsten Winkett

The clergy are available for emergencies at all hours.

### PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets once a month and these dates are published in the calendar.

Your councillors are: Mandy Stevens; Sandra Brown-Holt, Harry Watson and John Humann.

If you have anything to raise at Parish Council, either contact a councillor or fill in the feedback form in the foyer and place it in the box. If you are hoping to host an event, complete an Event Planning Sheet from the office first to speed up the process.

Parish Matters is a newsletter produced regularly, and copies are maintained on the website. Please contact Harry Watson or Sally Petty if you have a contribution to make.

### GIVING

St Margaret's encourages the exercise of our discipleship by generous giving to God's work and mission here. If you don't want to contribute through the open plate, there are direct debit forms in the foyer to be able to give anonymously through the Anglican Development Fund. If you wish to make a bequest, there is information in the foyer on how to do so.

### PASTORAL CARE

The pastoral care team members are available to provide a telephone call or visit people in need in their home, hospital, rehabilitation, aged or palliative care facility. These contacts seek to enable people to share their needs and concerns in order to discern appropriate channels for them to receive spiritual, emotional and/or practical support as desired. A member of the Pastoral Care team may be contacted at any time (24/7) on **0455 610 692**.

### WARDENS

Our Church Wardens are:

Kathleen Toal 0439 032 977

Shirley Nash 0403 601 713

David Tuke 0408 017 962

### COMMUNICATIONS

If you have any information you would like to share with the Parish, contact the office for assistance. Consider asking to use the pew sheet; the website; social media; group text messages; or advertising material.

Please submit all material for the pew sheet no later than 11am on the preceding Wednesday.

### KEY PARISH CONTACTS

Do Justice Group:	Jenny Disney
Faith Formation Network:	Annette Street
Property & Maintenance:	Graham Constantine
Pastoral Care Team:	Adrienne Watson
Discovering Spirituality:	Shirley Nash
Finance Committee:	John Humann
Communications Committee	Mary Lynton-Moll

### WORSHIP SERVICES

**Sunday 8am:** Reflective service of Holy Communion followed by morning tea.

**Sunday 10am:** Family service of Holy Communion with music, children's activities, morning tea

**Wednesday 10:30am:** Holy Communion, morning tea. Meditation prior to this service.

**Saturday 5pm:** Short evening prayer service to prepare for worship the next day.

**Monday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am:** Morning Prayer

## WORSHIP

### SENTENCE OF THE DAY

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. *Mark 1.15*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the new and eternal covenant, as the forty days of the great flood swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life: grant to us, who are washed clean and born again in the saving flood of baptism, the wellspring of your grace, that your gift of new life may flourish once again; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### TODAY'S HYMNS

**Introit:** Forty days and forty nights - TiS591  
**Gradual:** Be still for the presence of the Lord - SCE(1)47  
**Offering:** Love will be our Lenten calling - TiS684 (8am)  
**Mission:** Christ's is the world in which we move - TiS677

### TODAY'S PSALM

Psalm 25: 1-10

### TODAY'S GOSPEL

Mark 1: 9-15



## ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

**Sunday 18th February 2018**

### First Sunday in Lent

'Good and upright is the Lord,' the Psalmist says, 'therefore will he direct sinners in the way'. May we follow Jesus closely this Lent, and follow his directions carefully, May we repent, and believe in the good news.

- Pray that by the end of Lent, you will have repented of all that leads you away from God.
- Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.



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### Prayer Chain

For urgent prayer requests

Glenys Collis

**0407 398 948**

## NOTICES

### Call for interest in Children's and Family Ministry

St Margaret's is committed to growing the faith of children and young people in our church. Parish Council is continuing to look for ways we might make this happen and we would welcome help from anyone who has skills and gifts that can support this mission and would like to be involved. Whilst we don't have clear strategies fully formed yet, we do have a range of ideas to begin working on.

Please speak to either Harry Watson or Mandy Stevens if you would be happy to offer assistance in the area of children and youth ministry. Your contribution could be big or small – we welcome any assistance.

Thank you.



### Garage and Goodies

We will probably run one of these towards the end of the year following Parish Council approval.

Please put aside any items you think may sell. If you cannot store please ring Parish Office.

Thank you.



### Piece of Peace

The first Piece of Peace will be on Wednesday 28th March 2018. It will be a special event.

#### **A Q and A with Rev'd Keren Terpstra.**

We are all looking forward to learning about her faith journey. Everybody is warmly welcomed. So get your thinking caps on and source some questions for Keren. Any enquiries please call Jennifer Constantine, Margaret Charles or Betty Cooper.

### Thank You - Pancakes & Games held 11th February 2018

**A big thank you to Jan Kerr and Angela Langan and their helpers who made the delicious pancakes enjoyed by all at the morning tea last Sunday.**

The children and some "bigger" children (adults) participated enthusiastically in the Pancake Tossing and Relay events after which the children showed their skill and expertise at Apple Bobbing outside on the veranda. The Games were organised by Diana Warrell – and were a big hit with those participating and watching – **Thank you Diana – your organisation of the games was most appreciated.**

The event was enjoyed by all who attended and \$110 was raised from Donations which will be forwarded to **Act for Peace** to assist the people of Bangladesh following the devastating floods caused by severe monsoonal rains.

Kathleen Toal on behalf of the Wardens.

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>18th February 8:00am</b> <b>First Sunday in Lent</b>	<b>18th February 10:00am</b> <b>First Sunday in Lent</b>	<b>25th February 8:00am</b> <b>Lent II</b>	<b>25th February 10:00am</b> <b>Lent II</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Preacher</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Alan Coutts	Diana Warrell	Robert Brazenor	Jean Ranson
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Robert Brazenor	Roger Alcock	Sally Petty	Roger Alcock
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Coralie Carew Neil Andrewartha	Tony Michaelson Jan Kerr	Catherine Pearson Graham Carew	Angela Langan David Pryor
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides People</b>	John Winkett Margaret Alexander	Elizabeth & Geoff Milgate	Jo Norman Margaret Charles	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell
<b>First Reading</b>	Genesis 9: 8-17  Fay Gravenell	Genesis 9: 8-17  David Pryor	Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16  Catherine Pearson	Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16  Harry Watson
<b>Second Reading</b>	1 Peter 3: 18-22 Coralie Carew	1 Peter 3: 18-22 Lyn Clements	Romans 4: 13-25 Michael Tucker	Romans 4: 13-25 Roger Alcock
<b>Intercessor</b>	Gwen Sharp	Shirley Nash	Michael Tucker	Robert Street
<b>Flowers</b>	N/A		N/A	
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Gwen Sharp The Carews	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate	Michael & Val Tucker	Lyn
<b>Banking</b>	Jo Norman	Vacant	Chris Warrell	Kevin Gillett
<b>Powerpoint</b>	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann	Felicity Wiltshire	Mandy Stevens

## WHAT'S COMING UP

Tue 27th Feb	2:00pm	Ladies Fellowship meeting
Thu 1st March	7:30pm	Taize Service
Fri 2nd March	10:00am	World Day of Prayer at St Margaret's
Sat 3rd March	8:30am	Men's breakfast
Sun 4th March	2:30pm	Lenten Labyrinth Walk
Thu 8th March	7:30pm	Taize Service
Sun 18th March	3:00pm	Lenten Labyrinth Walk
Wed 28th March	9:30 10:30am 12:00pm	Meditation Eucharist Piece of Peace

## Wednesday Roster

<b>Date</b>	<b>Greeting</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>
21/2/18	Helen Costello	Jonah 3: 1-10 Robyn Riley  <b>Psalm 51: 6-9</b>	Barbara Alexander & Jenny Disney
28/2/18	Margaret A & Margaret C	Jeremiah 18: 18-20 Betty Cooper  <b>Psalm 31: 1-5</b>	Fay Gravenell & Jennifer Constantine
7/3/18	Jenny Disney	Deuteronomy 4: 1 (2-3) 4-9 Rae Kerr  <b>Psalm 147: 12-20</b>	Margaret C & Margaret A

## **Parish Fire Policy: Code Red Days**

If a code red day is declared (this is the most extreme rating) then please note that all services and/or parish activities will be cancelled on that day. This policy will apply both on weekends and during the week. For other fire danger ratings, it is important that everyone follows their own fire plan. Your own fire plan must always take precedence even if you are on a rostered duty. **Make sure you have a fire plan and review it regularly.**

