

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.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 18th	8:00am 10:00am	Eucharist Eucharist
Mon 19th	1:00pm	Monday Circle Faith Issues Discussion Group
Tue 20th	1:00pm	Embryonic Dabblers
Wed 21st	9:30am 10:30am	Meditation Eucharist
Thu 22nd	7:30pm	FaithFull Women
Sun 25th	8:00am 10:00am P.M.	Eucharist Eucharist Film, Friends, Faith & Food

PEW SHEET 18th November 2018 St Margaret of Scotland

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



Prayer

O God, who made Saint Margaret of Scotland wonderful in her outstanding charity towards the poor,

grant that through her intercession and example we may reflect among all humanity the image of your divine goodness.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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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@stmargaretseltham.org.au Day off Tuesday

PASTORAL ASSISTANT Margie Dahl 9439 9238 and 0403 625 122 dahlmargie@gmail.com Day off Friday

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

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 and Harry Watson.

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

John Humann 0438 871 357

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 Team Sally Petty

Pastoral Care Team: Adrienne Watson

Finance Committee: Kathleen Toal

Communications Team Sandra Brown-Holt

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 4pm: Short evening prayer service to prepare for worship the next day.

WORSHIP

SENTENCE OF THE DAY

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false; they will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Psalm 24: 4, 5

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you called your servant Margaret

to an earthly throne that she might advance your heavenly kingdom,

and gave her zeal for your Church and love for your people:

Mercifully grant that we who commemorate her this day

may be fruitful in good works,

and attain to the glorious crown of your saints;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

TODAY'S PSALM

Psalm 112: 1-9

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Luke 4: 16-21

TODAY'S HYMNS

Opening: O God, you called St Margaret

Gradual: Seek ye first the kingdom of God - TiS745

Offering: Great is your faithfulness - TiS154

Communion: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful - CH772 (Taize chant)

Mission: Christ's is the world in which we move - TiS677

ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

Sunday 18th November 2018 St Margaret of Scotland

The beginning of the end or the begetting of a new beginning? What we witness in Mark's apocalyptic Gospel passage heralds not only the actual, physical destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem itself, but also the end of the then-world order. Jesus advises caution, dampening over-zealousness and discouraging overreaction to various signs. Before the End is nigh, the Gospel must be spread to all nations. Change, although ordained from above, must emerge from within through the transformation of hearts.

- Pray that the nations of the world will open their ears to the saving grace of the Gospel message.
- Pray for the Church of Ceylon, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.



NOTICES

Welcome

We warmly welcome our new Bishop, the Right Reverend Kate Prowd on her first visit to St Margaret's today.



Baptism & Confirmations

Miranda Felice Milgate will be baptised, and Megan North, Liz Philippou and Liz Eadie will be confirmed at the St Margaret's Day Service today.

INVITATION TO DISCUSSIONS ON PRAYER

The final discussion on prayer organised by the Faith Issues Discussion Group is:

Session 3: Monday 19 November at 7:30pm The Gift of Prayer – "Power for Transformation" Keren and Mitzi

Further information from Geoff Sandy on 9459 8640.



Carols @ Eltham Town Square

The Eltham Combined Churches choir will be performing in the Eltham Town Square for the three Saturday mornings leading up to Christmas.

Performance dates are: Saturday 8, 15 & 22 December from 11:00am to 12 noon.

A nativity scene will be set up in the Town Square and will be available for photos.



Defibrillator Training

Monday 26th November at 7:00pm



Give a meaningful gift to family and friends this Christmas. When you buy a Gift for Peace, you are giving a family a brighter future and your loved one

will receive a beautiful card telling the story behind the program their gift is supporting

I have a range of Gifts for Peace on consignment. Credit card facilities are available.

For the first time this year, there are colouring cards for Christmas – Fish for a Family in Zimbabwe for \$17 and a School Starter Pack for Sri Lanka for \$22. Other gifts include Safe Baby Delivery Kits for Pakistan at \$28 and Food for a Refugee Family in Jordan at \$34. For \$83 you can support a refugee in Ethiopia to learn a trade.

These will be available from next Sunday, 25 November. From Margie Dahl, your Act for Peace Representative.

ROSTER	Sunday 18 th November St Margaret of Scotland 9:00am	Sunday 25 th November Christ the King 8:00am	Sunday 25 th November Christ the King 10:00am
Celebrant	Kate Prowd	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
Preacher	Kate Prowd	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
Sacristan Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Robert Brazenor	Jean Ransom
Liturgical Assistant	David Tuke	Robert Brazenor	Mitzi Tuke
Communion Assistants	Coralie Carew Tony Michaelson	Catherine Pearson Graham Carew	Angela Langan David Pryor
Greeters & Sides People	John Winkett Margaret Alexander	Jo Norman Margaret Charles	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell
First Reading	Deuteronomy 15: 7-11 Elizabeth Ainsworth	2 Samuel 23: 1-7 Peter Wiltshire	2 Samuel 23: 1-7 Mitzi & David Tuke
Second Reading	2 John 1-9 Geoff Sandy	Revelation 1: 4b - 8 Michael Tucker	Revelation 1: 4b - 8 David Pryor
Intercessor	Shirley Nash	Michael Tucker	Robert Street
Morning Tea	Coralie Carew	Michael & Val Tucker	Lyn Clements
Banking	David Pryor	Kevin Gillett	
Powerpoint	Sandra Brown-Holt	Felicity Wiltshire	Sandra Brown-Holt
Flowers	Sandra Brown-Holt	Jan Kerr	

WHAT'S COMING UP				
ue 27th 2:00pm Ladies Fellowship	D			
/ed 28th 12:00pm Piece of Peace				
at 1st 8:30am Men's breakfast ec.	21/1			
un 2nd 12:00pm Pub lunch				
hu 6th 9:30am Finance Committee meeting				
1:00pm Pastoral Care Team	28/1			
at 8th 11:00am Carol Singing Eltham Town Square				
ue 11th 9:30am Communications meeting	9:30am Communications meeting			
12:00pm AVGP Christmas Lunch	5/12			
7:00pm Book Group Christmas Party				
at 15th 11:00am Carol Singing Eltham Town Square				
at 22nd 11:00am Carol Singing Eltham Town Square				

Wednesday Roster				
Date	Greeting	Reading	Morning Tea	
21/11/18	Helen Costello	Revelation 4: 1-11 Robyn Riley Psalm: 150	Barbara Alexander	
28/11/18	Margaret A & Margaret C	Revelation 15: 1-4 Betty Cooper Psalm: 98	Fay Gravenell & Jennifer Constantine	
5/12/18	Jenny Disney	Isaiah 25: 6-10 Rae Kerr Psalm: 23	Margaret A & Margaret C	
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Meet the Confirmees

As part of coming to Confirmation, the three confirmees were invited to write something about how they come to Confirmation. Their reflections are below.

Megan North

My confirmation comes at a time when my deep yearning for God has led me here. Keren kindly gave me a copy of Psalm 42 the first time I came and spoke with her. I read the words:

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. (Psalm 42)

And I felt not just moved by these words but connected to the longing, it was the summation of how I was feeling.

Deep calls to deep in the roar of your waterfalls; all your waves and breakers have swept over me. (Psalm 42)

This is when I felt and could discernibly identify what had been happening to me for as long as I could remember, this feeling I always had and it was God's love moving through me. That is what I could feel.

It is through the teachings of Jesus, as the son of God, that I find great knowledge, comfort and solace. I feel the words of the scriptures also evoke more wondering and questions, that I seek to explore. It is here, within the churches walls that I feel that I am home. I see God in the sky, the wind in the trees, the water and soil that blankets the earth. My connection to God has always been a deep one, one that led me to experience a longing and yearning to be with like-minded people who love and worship God. It is here in this church that God resides.

I have found true comfort at St Margaret's, and through the guidance of Keren, have found my way for my yearning to be surrendered to God. It is here I have sought confirmation as my pledge, commitment and sign that I will uphold and inquire into the teachings of the Bible, foster the heart of the church and walk through this world a committed Anglican connected to God and Jesus. I thank everyone here for their love and support.

Liz Philippou

This is confirmation of my personal covenant with God and a pledge (Credo) of faith in Jesus as our Lord. And I pray that through God's grace as my faith deepens so does my understanding. In the words of St Anslem, "This I know to be true: that unless I first believe, I shall not understand." I have always felt a restlessness in my heart and although I didn't know it at the time I believe that it was the Holy Spirit at work that compelled me to walk into St Margaret's earlier in the year.

From Psalm 23, "he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul."

And from a poem by Christina Rossetti

Open wide the windows of our spirit and fill Us with light:
Open wide the door of our hearts
That we may receive and entertain Thee With all our powers of adoration.

Liz Eadie

My journey to this day started many years ago. Despite growing up in a non-religious family I always felt that there was something more and I became a spiritual seeker. This saw me trying out different paths but never really finding what I was looking for. A remark by the Dalai Lama that we were Christians and should go and be Christians combined with research for a school project on religion that my son was doing brought me to St. Margaret's. I immediately felt at home and that I had found the path that I was looking for. I would now like to more fully commit to this journey.