St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 2 August 2026
Pentecost X

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 1st August	8:00am 8:30am	Meditation Men's Breakfast
Sun 2nd August	8:00 & 10.00am	Pentecost X (includes baptisms at 10.00am service)
Sun 2nd	12:00pm	Pub lunch
Mon 3rd	2:00pm 7:30pm	PVAW Faith Issues
Tue 4th	10:00am	Warden's meeting
Wed 5th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 5th	11:30am	Bible study
Wed 5th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care team meeting
Sat 8th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 9th	8:00 & 10.00am	Pentecost XI
Sun 9th	4:30pm	Women of Spirit

Hearing Loop

A Hearing Loop is installed in the Church, please use the T switch on your hearing aid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St Margaret's Anglican Parish Eltham acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship. We commit to working for reconciliation and justice for First Peoples. Diversity and inclusivity are important to us at St Margaret's. Everyone is welcome here, regardless of race, gender, sexuality, or ability.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God,
whose beloved Son for our sake
willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross:
give us courage and patience to take up our cross daily and follow him;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Mobile Phones during service

A gentle reminder to please remember to switch off mobile phones before services.
Thankyou.

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Worship 2 August 2026—Pentecost X

Sentence

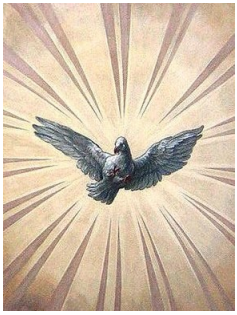
The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfils the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them. *Psalm 145.18–19*

Prayer of the Day

O God, giver of life and health,
whose Son Jesus Christ has called us
to hunger and thirst for justice:
refresh us with your grace,
that we may not be weary in well-doing,
for the sake of him who meets all our needs,
the same Jesus Christ our Saviour;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 32.22-31



Today's Psalm

Psalms 17.1-7; 16

Second Reading

Romans 9. 1-16

Gospel

Matthew 14.13-21

Today's Music

Welcome Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness—TiS 613 (tune TiS 547), 8.00am

Offertory: Blest are the pure of heart—TiS 448

Communion Hymn: Eat this bread, drink this cup—TiS 714

Mission Hymn: O Jesus, I have promised—TiS 595

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRsIRq70IA6MUIg/live

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 32. 22-31

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Second Reading: Romans 9. 1-16

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

It is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all those descended from Israel are Israelites, and not all of Abraham's children are his descendants, but "it is through Isaac that descendants shall be named for you." This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as descendants.

For the word of the promise is this: "About this time I will return, and Sarah shall have a son." Nor is that all; something similar happened to Rebecca when she had conceived children by one husband, our ancestor Isaac: even before they had been born or had done anything good or bad (so that God's purpose of election might continue, not by works but by his call) she was told, "The elder shall serve the younger." As it is written,

"I have loved Jacob,
but I have hated Esau."

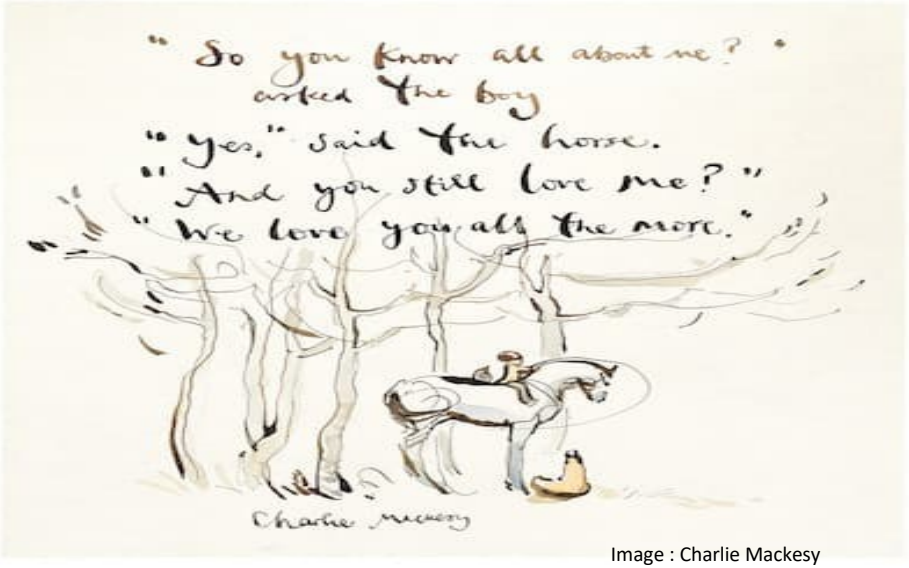
What then are we to say? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! For he says to Moses,

"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy,
and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."

So it depends not on human will or exertion but on God who shows mercy.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14. 13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.



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Bible Study

The Gospel According to St Mark
11.30am, Wednesday

Date (Wednesday)	Chapters from the Gospel according to St Mark
5 August	8, 9 and 10
12 August	11 and 12
19 August	13
26 August	14, 15 and 16 to end

Beginning on **Wednesday, 8 July at 11.30am**, every Wednesday after our 10.30am Eucharist we will be reading through the Gospel According to St Mark. This is an opportunity to share our thoughts or reflections, our questions or answers, and our moments of joy in reading the Scriptures together.

Please read through the chapters set for each week before each session. We encourage you to journal or note down any thoughts or questions that may arise during your reading.

Just bring yourself and a New Standard Revised Version (NRSV) of the Bible—we have plenty to share!

All Welcome!

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 9th	8:00 & 10.00am	Pentecost XI
Sun 9th	4:30pm	Women of Spirit
Tue 11th	1.30pm 4:00pm	Memory Care Café Do Justice meeting
Wed 12th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 12th	2:30pm	Book Club, Dendy House
Thur 13th	10:00am	Property Committee
Sat 15th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 16th	8:00 & 10.00am	Pentecost XII
Sun 16th	11:30	Christian Formation series—Baptism and Confirmation
Mon 17th	10:30am 7:30pm	Marketing & Communications meeting Faith Issues discussions
Tue 18th	10:30am	Spiritual Direction
Wed 19th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 19th	1:30pm	Finance Committee
Sat 22nd	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 23rd	8:00 & 10.00am	Pentecost XIII

Memory Café dates

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month 1.30 to 3pm

AUGUST 11, 25

Weekday Morning and Evening Prayer at St Margaret's

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Prayer	8.30am	8.30am	9.30am	8.30am	-
Evening Prayer	5.00pm	5.00pm	5.00pm	5.00pm	-

Parish Office

The Parish office will be open next week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10am to 2pm (closed Wednesday).

Faith Issues Discussion

All parishioners and friends are invited to the next Faith Issues Discussion to be held **Monday 3rd August 2026**, in the church at 7.30pm Refreshments in the hall follow.

Lyn Beattie will lead a discussion on ***What is the Gospel? and How Good is it?***. The Gospel is foundational for our faith so we are dealing with the central issue.

Please make every effort to attend. All are welcome in a friendly environment.

Geoff Sandy, MOB: 0434422768

WOMEN OF SPIRIT
9TH AUGUST, 4.30pm

WHEN THE BLEEDING STOPS
PERIMENOPAUSE AND MENOPAUSE

A time where we explore, embrace and honour our womanhood regardless of the season we are in. Please bring a photo of your younger and older self. Women of all ages welcome.

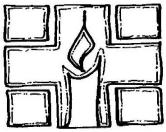
Led by: Revd. Yvette Daniel

ROSTER	2 August 2026 Pentecost X 8:00am	2 August 2026 Pentecost X (incl. baptism) 10:00am	5 August Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 14. 13-21*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 14. 13-21*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Matthew 15. 21-28*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Barbara Speed	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Rev'd Andrew Murray	David Pryor	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Dave Greenfield	Adrienne Watson Mabs Jones	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Catherine Pearson	Carol & Len Northmore	Jenny Disney
First **Reading**	Dawn Greenfield *Genesis 32. 22-31*	Mabs Jones *Genesis 32.22-31*	Barbara Alexander *Jeremiah 31. 1-7*
Second **Reading**	Clive Noble *Romans 9. 1-16*	Helen Robertson *Romans 9. 1-16*	
Psalm	*Psalm 17.1—7, 16*	*Psalm 17.1—7,16*	*Psalm 72.15-21*
Intercessor	Clive Noble	N/A—baptism	
Morning Tea	Mary Lynton-Moll	Sheila Cheary	TBA
Banking	John Humann		
Music	Helen Coutts	Priscilla Lin	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Mary Lynton-Moll	Rob Mackenzie Val Tucker	
Flowers	Pot Plant		

ROSTER	9 August 2026 Pentecost XI 8:00am	9 August 2026 Pentecost XI 10:00am	12 August Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Matthew 14. 22-36*	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Matthew 14. 22-36*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 18. 15-20*
Sacristan Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	Robert Brazenor	David Pryor	N/A
Communion Assistants	Kathleen Toal	Sylvia Gilbert Sandra Brown-Holt	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	Mary Lynton-Moll	Roger Alcock Harry Watson	Jennifer Constantine
First Reading	Mary Lynton-Moll *Genesis 37. 1-4, 12-28*	Adrienne Watson *Genesis 37. 1-4, 12-28*	Michael Tucker *Ezekiel 9.1-7, 10.18-22*
Second Reading	Barbara Speed *Romans 10. 4-15*	Harry Watson *Romans 10. 4-15*	
Psalm	*Psalm 105.1-6, 16-22*	*Psalm 105.1-6, 16-22*	*Psalm 113*
Intercessor	Catherine Pearson	Sandra Brown-Holt	
Morning Tea	Mary Lynton-Moll	Anna Mott Carol Northmore	Jenny Disney
Banking	David Pryor		
Music	Helen Coutts	Amelia Trinh	
Zoom/Ppt Cameras	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann Val Tucker	
Flowers	Pot Plant		

Baptisms

Sunday 2nd August



Dear Church Family,
Please be present for the joint baptisms of ***Isobel*** *and* ***Clara*** *during our 10.00 am Eucharist on Sunday 2nd August, together with their family and friends.*
In baptism, we give thanks for God's love and grace as a person is welcomed into the family of Christ and begins a lifelong journey of faith within the Church.
As their church community, we have the privilege of supporting and encouraging them in that journey.
Please come and share in this joyful occasion as we welcome Isobel and Clara into the Body of Christ and celebrate God's blessing together.
I look forward to seeing you all there.
Peace and all good,
Rev'd Yvette

Parish Financial Report—June 2026

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income			
Offerton	$ 5,289	$ 6,666	-$ 1,377
Other	$ 29,897	$ 27,553	$ 2,344
Total	$ 35,186	$ 34,219	$ 967
Expenditure	$ 37,558	$ 36,318	$ 1,240
Deficit	-$ 2,372	-$ 2,099	-$ 273

Thanks to parishioners who responded positively to this report.

Parish finances for July will be included in future pew sheets

David Pryor, Parish Accountant.

Formation for Baptism and Confirmation

With several candidates now preparing for Baptism and Confirmation at Easter next year, we will be running a monthly Christian formation series meeting at **11:30am on the third Sunday of each month**. Upcoming dates:

- **16 August**
- **20 September**
- **18 October**

The eight sessions in the series will engage with topics including: human person, the Sacraments, Prayer, Holy Scripture, the Creeds, the Church, and living a life of faith.

If you know someone who is interested in being Baptised, Confirmed or Received into the Anglican Church, please let Rev'ds Yvette or Andrew know—we would be happy to accompany them on their journey.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19–20

Please hold these sessions and the candidates in your prayers over this period.

Prayer Ministry Team

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." — Philippians 4:6

Why Prayer is Important?

Prayer is at the heart of our relationship with God. It is a gift through which we can bring our joys, concerns, hopes, and fears . Through prayer we find comfort, guidance, strength, and peace, knowing that our prayers are always heard .

Whether you are facing a challenge, celebrating a blessing, seeking guidance, or simply wishing to spend time in God's presence, prayer can help deepen our faith and draw us closer to each and to God.

Prayer Ministry After Services

Commencing Sunday 21st June I invite anyone who would like prayer to stay after our services.

Following our:

- **Sunday 8.00am Service**
- **Sunday 10.00am Service**
- **Wednesday 10.30am Service**

Where members of our prayer team will be available to pray with you:

- **David Greenfield**
- **Barbara Speed**
- **Rev'd Andrew**
- **Rev'd Yvette**

Refreshments and Safety

Dear church,

Firstly, thank you to everyone who so willingly helps after our refreshments each week. Your kindness and readiness to serve one another are a real blessing to our church community.

I have noticed, however, that more and more people are taking cups and plates back into the kitchen. While this is much appreciated, it can make the kitchen quite crowded, making it more difficult for those on the refreshments rota to work safely and efficiently. We want to do all we can to avoid accidents and ensure that everyone can enjoy serving in a safe and uncluttered space.

You may have noticed that we now have tea trolleys available for used cups, mugs, plates and other crockery. If you would like to help, we would be very grateful if you could simply place your items on the trolley. The refreshments team will collect everything from there when the trolleys are full.

May I also take this opportunity to remind you that we are always grateful for new volunteers to join our refreshments rotas.

If you would like to become involved, please speak with -
Mary Lynton-Moll for the 8.00 am
Linda Mackenzie for the 10.00 am
Jen Constantine for the Wednesday service

Thank you once again for your care for one another and for all the ways you contribute to our shared life together.

With every blessing,
Yvette

Process

Hazard and Incident Reports

From time to time, accidents or hazards can occur within the church, on the grounds, or in the hall and kitchen. When they do, it is important that they are recorded promptly.

Completing an incident or hazard report helps us to care well for those involved, fulfil our legal and insurance responsibilities, and identify ways to make our church a safer place for everyone.

Previously, a blue folder containing the reporting forms was kept in the foyer (narthex). I recently noticed that it also contained completed forms, which included people's personal information and details of the incidents. To better protect privacy and confidentiality, the folder will now contain **blank forms only**.

If an incident or hazard occurs, please complete a form as soon as possible after the situation has been attended to (24hrs).

Once completed, please give the form to Rev'd Yvette or Carolyn in the parish office. The completed reports will then be stored securely in the office.

Thank you for helping us care for one another by reporting hazards and incidents promptly. Your cooperation enables us to provide a safe, welcoming, and caring environment for all who worship, serve, and gather here.

If you have any questions about the reporting process, please don't hesitate to speak with Rev'd Yvette.

Tools of the Trade for Women

Starting in April

This course is aimed at women or gender diverse participants over 55 years of age who would like to learn how to complete basic maintenance and DIY tasks in the home delivered in a safe and welcoming environment, while connecting socially and making friends.

Over ten sessions, participants will be introduced to a range of tools and techniques, their purpose and how to use them safely to complete home maintenance tasks.

The course is facilitated by qualified volunteers of the Mens Shed

Date: Wednesdays 2 Sep - 4 Nov 2026

Time: 1.30pm - 4.30pm (10 sessions)

Location: St Andrews Mens Shed, 35 Caledonia St, St Andrews

Cost: $50

For more information and to register go to nillumbik.vic.gov.au/events or contact the Social Connections Officer on 9433 3295

Old Testatment Talks by Bishop Paul Barker

Dear Church Community

I encourage you to attend these free online talks by Bishop Paul on the Character of God of the Old Testament

TALK BY BISHOP PAUL BARKER Old Testament Talks on the Character of God

7.30pm – 8.30pm Wednesdays, 5 August | CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE LIVESTREAM.
No registration required.

You are invited to join the livestream talks by Bishop Paul Barker on the topic of *'The Lord: Slow To Anger, Abounding In Steadfast Love'*, Old Testament talks on the character of God.

No registration required !

Peace and all good

Rev'd Yvette

St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

KEEP IN TOUCH

We send out this pewsheet weekly with updates on services, events, and our life together in our parish community.

To keep in touch with us, please complete this slip with your name and email address, tear off this page, and place it in the collection plate or hand to the clergy or greeter.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

NAME:……

EMAIL:……

We will only use this information to add your email address to our parish mailing list. Please let us know at any time if you no longer to wish to receive parish emails.

FOYER SCREEN

If you, or any committee wish to publicise an event or news on our Foyer TV, please Contact Linda at lindadawn50@gmail.com

Pictures in PDF format please

Preventing Violence Against Women

Love does no harm.

No one should live in fear of violence

St Margaret's Church is signed up to Preventing violence against women program(PVAW)

If you have any concerns related to any form of abuse or controlling behaviour exhibited towards yourself or , someone you know – in an emergency call **000**

24 hr information hotline 1800 Respect- **1800 737 732**

Orange door – our local family violence service – **1800 319 355**

You can also speak with Mandy Stevens who is our church family safety champion or Revd. Yvette Daniel

Remember – You are not alone

Prayer Chain

For any prayer Requests

Mary Lynton-Moll

prayerchain@stmargaretseltham.org.au

or 0412 512 416

Mission Priorities for St Margarets Church

4 areas of focus for the next 5 years

- *To grow the Church Younger*
- *To be a spiritual place for the lost, seeking and found*
- *To live as disciples of Jesus Christ*
- *To take the Church outdoors and take the church to the People*

What we carry out will be shaped by the 5 marks of Mission

The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission. They express the Anglican Communion's common commitment to, and understanding of, God's holistic and integral mission. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

The Five Marks of Mission:
The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth