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# The Pebble

Sunday March 12, 2023

Lent 3



The Annual General
Meeting of St Peter's
Anglican Church,
Caversham, Dunedin,
will be held on
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023
at midday
in the Church Hall

#### **WELCOME**

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line.

# The Liturgy for Today.

**8.00 am** Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30 am** Solemn Sung Eucharist

#### THE COLLECT

Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

## **HYMNS FOR TODAY**

414 O for a closer walk with God

379 In the cross of Christ I glory

459 The Lord's my shepherd

376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

## **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Exodus 17: 3-7

<u>Psalm 95</u> *Response:* If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts

Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8

John 4: 5-42

# **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (Mothering Sunday)**

1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

<u>Psalm 23</u> *Response:* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Ephesians 5: 8-14

John 9:1-41

#### Parish News

<u>Healing Ministry</u> Prayer for Healing is offered to all in the Lady Chapel during communion at the 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist.

#### **SERVICES THIS WEEK:**

**Wednesday 9 am :** Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel. **Thursday 10 am** The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel.

Friday 5.30pm Holy Eucharist (see note below)

<u>Fridays in Lent</u> The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel each Friday at 5.30 pm throughout the Lenten season. It will include a meditation on aspects of our Lenten journey, followed by a Fish and Chip Supper in the Parish Lounge. All welcome.

**Brass Cleaning** There is to be a church brass cleaning morning on Saturday April 8 beginning at 10.30 am in the Parish Lounge. It is a time of good fellowship to which everyone is invited.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, David Horne, Malcolm Ross and Harry Brown.

<u>Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time</u> Cecil Steel, Shirley Hall, Frederick Allen, Arthur Goodwillie, Ellen Brown, William Hodgeson, James Clements, Ruth Mumford, and Fr. Ilyan Eades.

From the Vicar

Dan and I have renovated a few houses but sadly just as we're about to install an ensuite, we move. Yes, truly! You may ask why I am so keen to have such a luxury. It's because I like baths and houses these days don't have decent sized baths. A bath isn't just about getting clean. A bath relaxes the mind, as well as the body. There's an ancient concept in the saying, 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness." But what does that mean? It means that as we journey through this life we will regularly become grimy, smelly and offensive. The things we think, say and do will cause offense because we are humans. If we begin to pay attention (repent) of the things that offend, we are actively tidying up our relationships and how we engage with the world.

Jesus Christ shed his blood and died to prove that nothing we think, do or say will condemn us, if we repent, have faith and desire a relationship with God. Our relationship with God is cleaned through faith in the Blood of Christ and as we become cleaner and more relaxed, we more become pleasant to know.

"...if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

1 John 1:7

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