



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

Sunday May 7, 2023

Easter 5

The Collect

Eternal God,
your Son Jesus Christ
is the way, the truth and the life
for all creation;
grant us grace to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
AMEN.

WELCOME

to all who are sharing in worship with us today, especially
the Dunedin Red Cross Choir and all those who read the
Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)
10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist
5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS FOR TODAY

237 Morning has broken
We sing the three-fold Alleluia at the Gospel
297 Lord Jesus Christ
437 Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore him

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Acts 6:1-7](#)

[Psalm 33](#) *Response:* Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we
place our trust in you.

[1 Peter 2: 4-9](#)

[John 14:1-2](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

[Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17](#)

[Psalm 66](#) *Response:* Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

[1 Peter 3: 15-18](#)

[John 14: 15-21](#)

Parish News

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 9 am : Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel.

Thursday 10 am Holy Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.

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

The Red Cross Choir is singing at the 10.30 am service today. We welcome them to our worship which they will enhance with their singing.

Tax Forms Tax Claim forms for church donations are available at the back of church.

Vestry Meeting Tuesday May 9th at 3.00 in the Lounge

Garage Sale A Garage Sale will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday May 27 from 10am till 1pm. Goods can be left at the vicarage. Please contact Natalie or Dan on 455 3961. Goods for sale are most welcome!

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, and Harry Brown.

Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time
John Beatty, Eileen McLeod, and Louise Lewis.

From the Vicar.

The neighbourhood is sharing its harvest and home-grown food tastes so good. I'm wondering if next year we organise a Harvest Service and praise God's provision?

Many things in the church calendar tend to be northern hemisphere based. Our Christmas is in summer, Easter is in autumn and Harvest Festival was held in October. The church's ordinary time, when the liturgical colour is green, coincides with the northern hemisphere summer. Some of the traditional layouts of the church don't always work because the sun tracks across the northern sky.

We have been slow to develop our own southern liturgy because it will require re-centring where we are and who we are. While the majority of the world's population live in the northern hemisphere it doesn't mean we all have to pretend we live there. As winter closes in I'd like us, to intentionally be mindful of each other. The days are getting shorter and colder and going out in the evening isn't as easy. We don't have Christmas, Halloween, Thanksgiving or New Year to break the winter season. For that reason, I'm proposing we have some movie evenings and combined lunches to keep meeting and sharing as we should.

'Let us not neglect to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encourage one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.' Hebrews 10:25. Natalie

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