



St. John's

Anglican Church Albany

Consecrated 1848.

Sunday, 12th October 2025
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Sentence of the Day

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Psalm 116.12-14

Collect

**O God,
you have made heaven
and earth and all that is
good:
help us to delight in
simple things
and to rejoice always in
the richness of your
bounty;
through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and
reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and
ever. Amen.**

Prayer of the Week

**Almighty God, in your
wisdom you have so
ordered our earthly
life that we must walk
by faith and not by
sight:
give us such trust in
your fatherly care that
in the face of all
perplexities we may
give proof of our faith
by the courage of our
lives; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen**

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 29.1, 29.4-7

¹ These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴ Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

2nd Reading 2 Timothy 2.8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign

with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening.

¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Gospel Reading Luke 17.5-10

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹ Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

The Psalm for today is Psalm 66, Verses 1-11.

- ¹ O shout with joy to God, all the earth:
sing to the honour of his name,
and give him glory as his praise.
- ² Say to God 'How fearful are your works:
because of your great might
your enemies shall cower before you.'
- ³ All the earth shall worship you:
and sing to you, and sing praises to your name.
- ⁴ Come then and see what God has done:
how terrible are his dealings with the children of Adam.
- ⁵ He turned the sea into dry land,
they crossed the river on foot:
then were we joyful because of him.
- ⁶ By his power he rules for ever,
his eyes keep watch on the nations:
and rebels shall never rise against him.
- ⁷ O bless our God, you peoples:
and cause his praises to resound,
- ⁸ Who has held our souls in life:
who has not suffered our feet to slip.
- ⁹ For you have proved us, O God:
you have tried us as silver is tried.
- ¹⁰ You brought us into the net:
you laid sharp torment on our loins.
- ¹¹ You let our enemies ride over our heads,
we went through fire and water:
but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading *Jeremiah 31.27-34*
2nd Reading *2 Timothy 3.10-4.5*
Gospel Reading *Luke 18.1-14*

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HYMNS – EUCHARIST SETTING
DUDMAN TIS 756

	8am	9.30am
Introit		106
Gradual	693	693
Offertory	596	596
Recessional	452	452

We respectfully acknowledge the Menang Noongar people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship and minister, and pay respect to elders past and present.

Children's Church is available at our 9:30am service. This week's Children's Talk is 'The Thankful Leper'.



A WARM WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS - All are welcome at the Lord's table. Baptised, communicant members of all Christian denominations, are very welcome to receive Holy Communion and any person welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come to the altar rail and wish to receive the Sacrament in your pew, please speak to a sides person.

Hello Dear Friends

I pray you have had a good week.

Our sentence today sees the psalmist asking what he can give to the Lord. We pray collectively to God who has made all things good to help us to delight and rejoice in these things.

We read today, once again from Jeremiah and in this chapter, two letters are written to the captives in Babylon. In the first letter that we read today they are recommended to be patient and composed. The Psalmist gives praise for God's sovereign power in creation. Paul encourages Timothy with assurance of a happy end to his faithfulness and our Gospel gives the account of the healing and cleansing of the ten lepers.

The story of the ten lepers has a very obvious lesson, namely, the importance of showing gratitude. But it has another lesson for us: which is finding God through pain. Pain can drive people away from God, or it can bring them closer. We all know pain - the pain of loss, ageing, illness, you name it yet our trials and difficult times are part of our journey. My favourite prayer of the week is found in the liturgy for Tuesday Evening prayer (p399 of our prayer books) - it says.....

"God of grace, we thank you for all your gifts to us: grant us to accept both pain and joy in faith and hope, and never to fail in love to you and to our sisters and brothers; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

So, I wonder, what makes you shout or jump for joy? Recovery from illness? Safety of a loved one? A footy team win?

I read a story in a book by Tom Wright. He said, "Two explorers were lost in a South American Jungle. For nine months they wandered about, not knowing where they were or how to get out. Finally, after many adventures and often giving up hope, they were found and rescued. They probably didn't have the energy to shout for joy, but they must have felt like it but their relatives at home did!!!!!"

In our Gospel today, we hear about ten healed lepers, and following this miracle, only one of the ten, a Samaritan, turned back and gave glory to God for his healing.

What's most surprising in this story? That one came back? or that nine didn't? Luke focusses on Jesus' attitude to the outsider, who by his behaviour put the others to shame. The other nine were not less healed, just less grateful.

And it's not only the nine ex lepers who are shown up - It can be us all when we are forgetful and fail to give thanks for everything.

The healed Samaritan leper falls to the ground in thanks. He shows humility and gratitude and Jesus asks him to "get up" - words early Christians would have linked to resurrection. This man had new life, with faith and healing going hand in hand. A good lesson for us to remember is that the rhythm of faith and gratitude is a good way of going about our Christian life.

God Bless

Karen

attitude
OF
Gratitude

Mothers Union Monthly Prayer

'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

Luke 4:18-19 (NIV)

As we focus on prison ministry, we pray that we too would respond to Jesus' call. We give thanks for the Mothers' Union members who support prisoners, their families and later when the sentence ends, help them establish new beginnings.



*courageous in sharing their stories,
and faithful in speaking about hope.
Many people have heard about Jesus
and have taken steps towards faith.*

*We give thanks to God today for Hope25.
Right across our country
from the north to south,
from the east to the west,
Anglicans have been proclaiming
the hope we have in Jesus.
People have been bold in giving invitations*

*We praise God for the many who have heard of
our hope,
for those who we have welcomed into our
churches
and for those who have believed in Jesus.
We ask God to continue to bless our church
as we live in hope.*

Prayers for:

The Defence Force Anglican Chaplaincy

- Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains, and all members of the armed forces.

The Parish of Denmark/Walpole – St Leonard's (Denmark) and St. George's (Walpole), Assisting Clergy - Revd. Sue Lodge-Calvert, husband Phil, Retired Clergy - Revd. Sally Buckley and husband Chris.

Please pray for:

*God to call a new priest and pastor to lead our parish into the future.

*The continued smooth running of the parish during the interregnum allowing existing ministries to continue and grow.

*God's continued guidance.

*Our continued engagement with the community in both centres.

*Encourage, empower and renew those who offer their time and talents in ministry and service for the building up of God's kingdom.

Diocesan Ministry: Retired clergy and their spouses.

For the World: -

*The members of our defence forces in each of the services.

*Those serving in diplomatic positions, representing our Nation of Australia.

*Members of the Department of Fisheries and those tasked with the care of all marine life.

*For the physically challenged in our midst and beyond.

Prayers for:

Anglican Church of Kenya - Diocese of Kapsabet.

St Luke's Cheptabach Parish - Parish Priest - Revd. Moses Sum and wife Diana.

St Paul's Kemeloi Parish - Parish Priest - Revd. Cosmas Talam and wife Hilda.

Please pray for:

*Both the Central and County government leaders that God may give them wisdom, knowledge and patience as they lead God's people in this great Country.

*Total eradication of gender violence and that Christian families will live in peace and set examples to those outside the Christian cycle.

Diocesan Ministry - For financial resources to be mobilised and parishes to start income generating projects for the sustainability of mission work.

St John's Church presents
Saturday, 18 October 8.00am - 1.00pm

In front of Church
York St, Albany

Spring Mini-Fete

VARIETY OF STALLS
INCLUDING:

Plants and Garden items, jams,
pickles, cakes and more.
Labyrinth on lawn.

Sausage sizzle on
the front lawn.
Church open.
Op-Shop open.

Fundraising for
Community Outreach
Programs.



Saturday 25th October 2025
8am - 11am @ Motel Le Grande, Albany
Motel Le Grande - cnr Albany Hwy & Drome Road, Albany

Guest Speakers:
Jess Mulder & Ellen Hickman
Buffet Breakfast \$35.00

Tickets available from Albany Christian Bookshop
274 York Street, Albany (Shoppers Court Arcade) Please note: cash sales only
For catering purposes tickets must be purchased before 21st October
Unfortunately we are unable to cater for children at this event
Enquiries please phone Shelley 0438 751 083
or email: shelleyaredmond@hotmail.com

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Martha's Soup Kitchen - Monday 12pm-1pm.

Finance Committee Meeting - Thurs. 16th Oct at 10am.

Oct. Parish Council Reports due to Parish Administrator by 5pm Wed. 15th Oct.

Parish Council Meeting - Tues., 21st Oct. at 5.30pm in the D/W Hall.

Mothers' Union. The AGM will be held on Wednesday 15th October beginning at 1.30pm in the Lady Chapel. All office bearer positions become vacant, so we are looking for nominations, please. After the meeting we will go to Cusi's for afternoon tea. Enquiries to Jane on 0428 858 024

Harvest Festival of Hymns - St John's at 3pm on Sunday, 19th Oct.

Anniversary Evensong at St John's at 5pm on Sunday, 26th Oct.

Beersheba Memorial Service will be held at Mt. Clarence DMC Memorial at 2pm on Saturday, 25th Oct.

Nurses Memorial Service will be held on Sunday 26th Oct. at 2pm at the Nurses Memorial Garden on Proudlove Parade.



Cruise Ships are Back. The Crown Princess is scheduled to dock in Albany on Wednesday, 15th Oct. We wish all a very happy visit to Albany and safe sailing. There will be markets n St. John's Hall.

FETE - Thank you to all the volunteers that will make our mini fete happen on Saturday October 18th. Please could our wonderful **jam, cakes, pickle makers** and **plant growers** deliver the fruits of their labours to the Dorothy Wood Hall on Friday the 17th or before 8am on Saturday the 18th. For further information please call Mike Taylor on 0417967368. Thank you.



2026 Lectionaries are now available from the Office for \$12.50.

Emergency Relief - Hi everyone Thanks for your previous donations which we very much appreciated. We urgently require the following items:

- * 1 litre full cream long life milk,
- * 1kg plain or self-raising flour and,
- * 1kg white rice.

Thank you and best wishes from the ER team.

Ministry opportunities - The Church cleaning team and Op Shop are looking for extra volunteers to join them. Please contact our Op Shop Manager, Wardens or Revd. Karen.

Church Watch is now up and running again on Fridays from 11am-2pm. If anyone is interested in assisting with this ministry please speak to Revd. Karen.

PEACE OF MIND

Regardless of age, an enduring power of attorney (EPA), an enduring power of guardianship (EPG) and an advanced health directive (AHD) can be accessed at <https://www.wa.gov.au/service/justice/civil-law/enduring-power-of-attorney> and are recommended to be in place to provide peace of mind to our families. Do you have a will?

AND FUNERALS

Information to assist you make your wishes known re funeral arrangements can be accessed via the Parish Office. The completed information is for your family and/or support persons to ensure your wishes are carried out.

Prayer Chain - A parish prayer chain has been re-established. If you have prayer requests **please contact Revd Karen (0434 702 343)**, who will communicate with other members of the team. Prayer requests will not be discussed by prayer chain members and will be kept in confidence. If you wish for prayers to continue for more than one week, please contact Rev. Karen again. The importance and power of prayer is intrinsic in our faith.

Prayer is an act of worship that glorifies God and reinforces our need for God. "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7(NRSV).

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER.

A contemplative prayer service is held in the Lady Chapel every Tuesday of the month at 11am. The format is flexible, but follows The Rhythm of Life: Celtic Daily Prayer by David Adam and includes a time of silent prayer, up to 20 minutes for regulars. The service is chosen as a result of discussion about matters on the hearts of those attending, and the contemplation based on a mantra taken from the psalm. The service takes less than an hour usually, and it is followed for those who wish to stay, by the regular Tuesday 12.30 Eucharist. The books are supplied, and contemplative time can be modified for those new to this form of prayer. You are most welcome to come and try a new experience! Cherry O'Donnell.



Direct Giving via Electronic Banking - Thanks again to those who are continuing to support the church in one form or another. Could I please ask that those that are electronically transferring money to the church follow the following instructions.

Ordinary Direct giving - quote the word "Donation" in the reference section and deposit into Anglican Community Fund.

BSB: 706-001

Acc: 3000 3081

Mission giving should be deposited into the Parish Holding Account using the word "Mission" as a reference.

Banking details are:

BSB: 706-001

Acc: 3000 8763

The Mission of The Month of October is Compassion

Compassion is a Christian international holistic child development organisation. Through their Child Sponsorship Program, more than 2 million children are currently being released from poverty in Jesus' name. With over six decades of experience, Compassion's unique approach to solving poverty works: research proves it.

Children are the hardest hit by poverty, the least able to change their circumstances, and at the heart of Jesus' ministry.

In response to God's call Compassion gives hope to the hopeless, spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ in a culturally relevant, non-coercive way.

While Compassion is a distinctly Christian organisation, they assist children and their families living in poverty regardless of their beliefs, gender or background.

Programs are delivered in partnership with local churches in developing countries.

These local congregations can best identify the specific needs of children in their community, and are able to adapt our programs to bring change to their communities.

Compassion addresses the holistic needs of the individual child so that they can become responsible and fulfilled adults, equipped to change their communities.

Compassion has a sponsorship scheme for anyone wishing to sponsor a child, their website has full details; local churches are involved with connecting sponsors with the children, and keeping them in touch with each other.

For further detail on Compassion, please visit their website <https://www.compassion.com.au>

Mandurah Branch
invite you to the
AMUA Bunbury Diocesan



*Forward into the future:
with hope and love*

2025 Country Rally & Annual Meeting

Thursday 16th October 2025

Christ's Church Anglican Church,
Cnr Sholl St & Pinjarra Road, Mandurah

9.15am – 9.45am Morning Tea

10.00am Eucharist
Celebrant Bishop Ian Coufts

followed by the Annual Meeting

Luncheon at

RAAFA ESTATE MEADOW SPRINGS
41 Portrush Parade, Mandurah

Cost \$30 each

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs Tracey Gray
Principal, Frederick Irwin Anglican School



RSVP with numbers & payment by Friday 3 October

Payment to: Anglican Parish of Mandurah

BSB: 706 001 ACC: 30003262

Ref: "Branch" MUCR

Numbers by Email: churchoffice@anglicanchurchmandurah.org.au

PO Box 203, Mandurah, WA 6210

Phone 9535 6152

PLEASE ADVISE BY EMAIL OF ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Services at St John's.

We have implemented live streaming of services on Facebook - If you use Facebook please "like" the following pages Anglican Parish of Albany and Anglican Parish Albany Service Stream for live services or recordings. We will also put a link on the website www.anglicanchurchalbany.org.au so you can watch the recordings.

Normal Worship times:

Sunday 8:00am	Sung Eucharist with Hymns
Sunday 9.30am	Live streamed sung Eucharist with Hymns
Sunday 7.00pm	Live Streamed Compline
Tuesday 12.30 pm	Eucharist
Monday - Friday	Morning and Evening Prayer live streamed at 8am and 5pm.

The next Order of St Luke Healing Service will be held on Thursday 9th of October at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel.

CONTACT DETAILS

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