

Welcome, Please join us for morning tea

**Faculty to Replace St Leonard's Pews
displayed for comment 18th Aug to 18th Sept**

At the 2021 & 2024 Annual Meetings, and several other times over the past few years, Revd Sally & Parish Council have flagged the need to replace the pews in St Leonard's, which are becoming increasingly unstable & therefore unsafe. Several have been decommissioned or moved against a wall. They are also infamously uncomfortable with no back support & narrow seats. Some years ago they were nailed down, but this is now loosening and damaging the floor. The faculty outlines the situation, the alternatives investigated, cost, and the current proposal to work with an Albany fine furniture maker to custom design elegant and comfortable native timber seating with book storage – probably a combination of short pews and chairs. Parish Council are excited by this project & believe it will respect the history and enhance the beauty of the church. *Objections or amendments can be lodged with the wardens for consideration by Parish Council before the faculty is submitted to the Diocesan Trustees. There are several printed copies to consult, & on parish website: <https://www.denmarkanglican.org.au/parish-council>*

Parish Diary

TONIGHT Evening Prayer, 7pm St Leonard's

Sept 5 Mid-week Eucharist, 2pm Thursday St Leonard's
Sept 27-28 Synod

REGULAR SERVICES & GATHERINGS

Sunday Eucharist/Morning Prayer: St Leonard's **9.30am**; St George's **10am**

Weekday Eucharist: St Leonard's 1st Thursday of the month, 2pm

Evening Prayer: St Leonard's last Sunday each month, 7pm

Choir Practice: St Leonard's Saturday 10.30-11, then coffee.

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quote 'Offertory' in description

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& mail to PO Box 277 Denmark WA 6333

25th August 2024

Fourteenth Sunday

after Pentecost Year B [21]



Prayer of the Day

Everliving God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear the prayers we offer for all your faithful people,
that in the ministry to which you have called them
each may serve you in holiness and truth;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen** APBA

Offensive God;
refusing our religion of sacrifice and power:
find us in our wandering, speak to us the word of life,
liberate our violent hearts
and let us stay with you;
through Jesus Christ, the holy one of God. **Amen**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Stephen Shakespeare, 2008

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Revd Sue Lodge-Calvert

Licensed Lay Ministers: Harold Luxton, Alison Kershaw, Sally Prickett, Jan Pattinson
Jane James, Tom Sheard

Wardens:

Tine Adams, Harold Luxton, Tom Sheard

*We endeavour to be an expression of God's love
in the community*

Joshua 24.1-2a, 24.14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'

Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

Psalms 34.15-22

¹⁵ The eyes of God are on the righteous:

and his ears towards their cry.

¹⁶ The Lord sets his face against wrongdoers:

to root out their memory from the earth.

¹⁷ The righteous cry; the Lord hears it:

and frees them from all their afflictions.

¹⁸ The Lord is close to those who are broken-hearted:

and the crushed in spirit he saves.

¹⁹ The trials of the righteous are many:

but our God delivers us from them all.

²⁰ He guards all our bones:

so that not one is broken.

²¹ Evil will slay the wicked:

and those who hate the righteous will be destroyed.

²² The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants:

and none who hide in him will be destroyed.

Ephesians 6.10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

John 6.56-69

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Next Week Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9, Ps 15, James 1.17-27, Mark 7.1-8, 14-23 NRSV
Prayer services, sermons, pew sheet, info: www.denmarkanglican.org.au