



St Paul's Cathedral

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Seafarers Service • Sung Evening Prayer

Monday 19 October 2020 • 2.30 pm

Tuesday 20 October 2020 • 5.10pm

WELCOME

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral, the home for worshippers from more than two dozen nations, the home church for Anglicans in Melbourne and Victoria. We are delighted that you have joined us for our streamed service this evening: come and worship with us again.

The cathedral is situated on the traditional lands of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing work of reconciliation in our nation.

Please join us in singing the hymns and saying those parts of the service printed in **bold** type.

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LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

The Dean The Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe

Musicians:

Mr Tim Bell, *FCM Lay Clerk*

Ms Kristy Biber, *Leading Musician*

Ms Niki Ebacioni, *Lay Clerk*

Mr Philip Nicholls, *Director of Music*

Mr Siegfried Franke,

Cathedral Organist

THE GREETING

The officiant welcomes all to the service and offers an Acknowledgement of Country.

Peace to those who are far off.

Peace to those who are near.

Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.

THE BIDDING PRAYER

Dear Friends in Christ, we give thanks to God for the personnel of the Royal Australian and Merchant Navies who serve on our seas.

We give thanks for those who, in the service of this nation, sacrificed their lives to provide for and protect the Commonwealth of Australia. We remember those whose lives were changed forever through the injury and trauma they suffered through their service.

We give thanks for members of the Merchant Navy, travelling far away and for long periods of time, and pray for them and their families to be sustained and protected from loneliness in those times of separation.

We pray for the world's fishing fleets, for safety as they go about their work in often-time dangerous conditions.

We pray for those men and women who serve in our naval and defence forces today; those who are parted from family and friends and who make sacrifices to ensure our safety and wellbeing.

Above all we give thanks for Christ's promise to be with us in comfort and in peril, in this life and forevermore. We pray that through our joyful obedience to his call we may usher in a new kingdom of righteousness and peace.

All sit. The Choir sings

THE PSALM: 93

- 1 The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel:
the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He hath made the round world so sure: that it cannot be moved.
- 3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared:
thou art from everlasting.
- 4 The floods have risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice:
the floods lift up their waves.
- 5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly:
but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.
- 6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure:
holiness becometh thine house for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Chant: June Nixon

THE READING

Matthew 22.35-40

Read by Rev'd Inni Punay, Chaplain Mission to Seafarers Victoria

A Reading from the Gospel of St Matthew:

³⁵ One of them, a lawyer, asked Jesus a question to test him. ³⁶ 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' ³⁷ He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

May your word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

THE ANTHEM

²³ They that go down to the sea in ships: and occupy their business in great waters;
²⁴ These men see the works of the Lord: and his wonders in the deep. ²⁵ For at his word the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof. ²⁶ They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep: their soul melteth away because of the trouble. ²⁷ They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wit's end. ²⁸ So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivereth them out of their distress. ²⁹ For he maketh the storm to cease: so that the waves thereof are still. ³⁰ Then are they glad, because they are at rest: and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

Psalm 107.23-30

Music: Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

THE PRAYERS

*Led by Captain Nigel Porteous OAM,
Vice Chairman, Mission to Seafarers Victoria.*

Let us pray to Almighty God for the peace of the world, for those serving on the seas in the Royal Australian and Merchant Navies, the world's fishing fleets and for those who care for their welfare and safety at sea or on shore.

FOR THE MERCHANT NAVY

We pray for all who earn their living on the sea, for all who work and manage our ports and for those in leadership positions in the shipping industry: grant to them a common concern for harmony and justice in the workplace, freedom from exploitation of the earth's resources and wisdom in future planning. We pray for all seafarers in their daily work, for safety as they face the dangers of their calling

and for their families in their separation from them: accompany them in times of loneliness, protect them from harmful influences, and guard them in danger.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

FOR THE MISSION TO SEAFARERS

We pray for all who care for seafarers: bless and sustain the Mission to Seafarers, Stella Maris and all other seafarer agencies; give wisdom to those who guide their affairs; may their welcome and service show forth your love. We pray for all chaplains, support staff and volunteers: grant them patience and compassion in their ministry with those at sea. May they be bearers of your hope as they commend others to you.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

FOR THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

We pray for those serving in the Royal Australian Navy: help us to seek for all people the freedom to serve you and each other in compassion and peace.

We give thanks for all who have given their lives in the service of our country at sea: may their sacrifice strengthen our resolve to build communities of trust and inclusion.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

FOR THE PEACE OF THE WORLD

We pray for all who strive for peace and all who yearn for justice: guide our leaders in the ways of justice and peace, and help us today to work for a better tomorrow. We pray for those who serve the cause of peace: support them in their service and bring us all, with all those who have served you here on earth, to the peace of your presence.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

THE EVENING COLLECT

Lighten our darkness, Lord, we pray: and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

Our Father in heaven,


hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

THE OFFICE HYMN

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Stand to sing



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the
rest - less wave, who bidd'st the migh - ty o - cean deep its
own ap - poin - ted li - mits keep: O hear us when we
cry to thee for those in pe - ril on the sea.

2
O Christ, whose voice the waters heard
and hushed their raging at thy word,
who walkedst on the foaming deep,
and calm amid the storm didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

3
O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
upon the waters dark and rude,
and bid their angry tumult cease,
and give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

4
O Trinity of love and power,
our brethren shield in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go:
thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting (1825-78)
Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard 292

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Commodore Greg Yorke CSC RAN

Senior Naval Officer Victoria

Let us now remember before God those of the Royal Australian Navy, the Merchant Navy, the Allied Navies, and all others who, in the defence of liberty, truth and justice have given their lives.

'I am the resurrection and the life' says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet will they live.'
St John 11. 25-26

Please stand for the Ode

ODE TO OUR SAILORS'

They have no grave but the cruel sea,
No flowers lay at their heads,
A rusting hulk is their tombstone
Afast on the ocean beds.

ODE TO THE FALLEN

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
we will remember them:
We will remember them.

LAST POST

Silence is kept

Lest we forget:
Lest we forget.

REVEILLE

NATIONAL ANTHEM

**Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free,
We've golden soil and wealth for toil
Our home is girt by sea.
Our land abounds in Nature's gifts,
Of beauty rich and rare,
In history's page let every stage,
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
Advance Australia Fair.**

THE BLESSING

Let us pray a blessing on those who go down to the sea in ships, who occupy their business in great waters.

Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you:

The Lord bless you, and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

And the blessing of God Almighty

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

Be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Now thank we all our God – J. S. Bach (1685-1750) trans. Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019); *Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist*

ABOUT THE SERVICE

This service is a reminder of the onerous life at sea by Seafarers who have served and currently serve in the Royal Australian Navy and the Merchant Navy. In particular, we remember those Seafarers who made the supreme sacrifice doing their duty; defending Australia and its trade routes during World War One, World War Two, and all of the conflicts since.

May we be worthy of their service and sacrifice.

We remember seafarers carrying out their day to day duties on this very day. Being at sea, is from time to time a dangerous occupation. May all Seafarers continue their important work safely and with the sincere appreciation of all Australians.

For all Veterans watching this service, thank you for your service.

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