

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALTONA/LAVERTON



St Eanswythe's Altona
St Clement's Altona Meadows
O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi



*To proclaim God's love and life in Christ:
growing in faith ✠ serving others ✠ nurturing a common life*

12 October 2025

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Year C)

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1:00pm Te Hakari Tapu (Māori Service), St Eanswythe's

5:00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

Wominjeka :: Welcome :: Haere mai



A warm welcome to our
worship today,
especially if you are with
us for the first time
or visiting.

Please join us for
refreshments following
the service.

*Our parish lies on the country of the Kulin nation.
We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations,
and we pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.
We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing.*

Gathering in God's Name

We meet in God's name, as God's people – children of God in all our rich diversity, with all that we carry from the complexity of our lives.

We turn to God in praise and prayer; this includes recalling all that has separated us from God, and claiming the love and forgiveness that is always held out to us.

INTROIT HYMN

245 We have a gospel to proclaim
(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

THE COLLECT *(prayer of the day)*

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.**

PARISH PRAYER

**God of this ancient land, holy beyond time and place,
you search us out and name us your beloved children.
Work in us to fulfil your longing and compassion for every person.
Send your Spirit to renew our life,
and give us courage to rise and follow where Jesus calls. Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from Jeremiah (29.1, 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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM (66.1-11)

- 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.

SECOND READING

A reading from 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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

129 Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
(found in the red hymn book *Together in Song*)

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia. **Alleluia.**

The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the good news.
Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. (17.11-19)

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.'

For the Gospel of the Lord:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



SERMON

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

Our sharing is a gift of grace, a communion with Jesus and with each other. There is a place here for each and every person.

OFFERTORY HYMN 611 (T142) God of grace and God of glory
(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)



*Everyone is invited to receive communion or receive a blessing.
Children who have been baptised are welcome to receive communion.
If you would prefer not to receive communion but to receive a
personal blessing, please indicate this when the minister comes to you.*

AS COMMUNION IS RECEIVED, WE SING:

**Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you my friends.
In all your living and through your loving.
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

Hymn 778

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Going into the World

The Eucharist offers us a way to be renewed, transformed, and blessed: now we take that blessing to share with others, in our words and actions, our hearts and lives.

'The Eucharist never ends – it must be lived.'

RECESSIONAL HYMN 592 Stand up, stand up for Jesus
(found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.



Giving: Deposits can be made to the parish Bendigo Bank account at any time (BSB 633 000, account number 157 594 722, account name “St Eanswythe’s Altona with St Clement’s Laverton Anglican Churches”). For pledge giving please include your name or envelope/reference number. For further details see anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving

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Notices

Parish Nominations: As we prepare for the **Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, 9 November**, please prayerfully consider your availability to serve on Parish Council, as a Warden, or on the Parish Nominations Committee. Nomination forms are available at the back of the church and should be submitted by 2 November.

Medal Winner: We congratulate **Christopher Hansen**, who recently won **three medals** in the sport of Bocce at the Victoria State Games for Special Olympics — Gold in both the individual and doubles events, and Silver in the team event. Well done, Christopher, on this outstanding achievement!

2025 Parish Mission Giving & Aboriginal Acknowledgement: At its September meeting, Parish Council approved the following recipients and amounts for our 2025 Mission Giving & Aboriginal Acknowledgement: Anglican Overseas Aid Palestine Fund \$7,000. Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Leadership Fund \$4,330. Anglicare's Buldau Yioohgen Big Dreams Program \$4,000. Anglican Diocese of Gippsland – Aboriginal Ministry Appeal \$4,000. Anglicare Victoria \$3,000. Anglican Board of Mission \$3,000. Latitude Altona \$2,000. Newport Outlets \$1,000.

Anglican Overseas Aid: We've received a letter of thanks for our parish donation to Anglican Overseas Aid's Palestine Fund, supporting the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in its care for those affected by the conflict. The letter is available on the notice board.

Fix & Fellowship: Come and help keep our churches and grounds neat and tidy.

- **St Clement's** – 1 November, 6 December, 3 January
(monthly, 1st Saturday, 9:30am)
- **St Eanswythe's** – 18 October; 15 November; 20 December
(monthly, 3rd Saturday, 9:30am)

Annual Parish Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting for 2025 will be held on **Sunday, 9 November at 11:00am at St Clement's**, following a combined parish service at **9:30am**. All parishioners are warmly encouraged to attend. Leaders of parish ministries are kindly asked to submit their annual reports as a Word document to the Parish Administrator, Edita Abram, at parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au by **Friday 17 October 2025**.

Bendigo Bank – Celebrating 25 Years: Bendigo Bank is celebrating 25 years of supporting our community with a family-friendly event this Sunday 12 October 2025, from 11am to 3pm at Cherry Lake Park, Millers Road, Altona. Come and enjoy a fun day with live music, food trucks, games, free face painting, roving entertainers, and a free sausage sizzle. Everyone is welcome!



Our Prayers

For the Nation and the World:

- All parties to the ceasefire and peace plan in Gaza will give their full commitment.
- Respect and tolerance will be extended to all communities of faith and their places of worship.
- Wisdom and strength for Archbishop of Canterbury-elect, Bishop Sarah Mullally, as she prepares to lead the worldwide Anglican Communion.

The Church:

World Council of Churches:

Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Panama.

For Christians facing persecution and martyrdom, and for those who pray and grieve for them.

Anglican Church of Australia:

The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod, Sophie Relf-Christopher, Clergy & People).

Diocese of Melbourne:

St Peter's Melbourne (Michael Bowie, Cara Greenham Hancock).

Agencies supported by our parish:

Anglican Overseas Aid – supporting health care and education in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Our parish & community:

For God's guidance, love and care of our people.

We pray for our clergy and all who serve and volunteer in our parish.

Those with particular needs:

Peter Forni, Jennifer Joseph, Roger Prowd, Revd Dave Thompson, Andrew Baines.

The communion of saints:

Anniversaries this Week:

Sidney Jones (17th),
Amy Lambert (18th),
Winifred Sculley (18th),
Alma Thornton (18th).



To add a name to the pew sheet prayer list or to remember someone on the anniversary of their death, please contact the parish office.

Readings for this Week

Take time to prepare for worship by exploring the readings for this week.

Wednesday 15 October: 9:00am St Clement's

Teresa of Avila, teacher [d.1592]

Romans 2.1-11; Ps 62.1-8; Luke 11.42-46

Thursday 16 October: 10:00am St Eanswythe's

Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, bishops & martyrs [d.1555]

Romans 3.21-29; Ps 130; Luke 11.47-54

Sunday 19 October: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 32.22-31; Ps 121; 2 Timothy 3.10-4.5; Luke 18.1-14

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday and Friday, 9:00am, at St Eanswythe's. Everyone is welcome.



Groups Meeting Regularly in the Parish

Sunday School:

Sundays at 10:30am at St Eanswythe's (except December school holidays).

Tiddlers Playgroup:

Tuesdays in term time 10:00am at St Eanswythe's. Contact Jan Lee (9398 2993).

Clementines Playgroup:

Fridays in term time, 9:30am at St Clement's.

Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661) or Lily Griffin (0413 065 705).

Mothers Union:

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Thursday at 11:00am. Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661).

Caritas:

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Tuesday at 3:00pm. Contact Joan Meiers (0416 264 840).

St Eanswythe's Centenary Working Group:

Monthly at St Eanswythe's, 4th Thursday at 11:00am. Contact Lily Griffin (0413 065 705).

This Week in our Parish

Sunday 12 October:

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1:00pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

5:00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

Tuesday - Friday

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop open

Tuesday 14 October

9:00am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

10:00am Tiddlers Playgroup,

St Eanswythe's*

3:00pm Caritas, St Eanswythe's

Wednesday 15 October

9:00am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

Thursday 16 October

10:00am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

Friday 17 October

9:00am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

9:15am Clementines Playgroup,
St Clement's*

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8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

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1:00pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

5:00pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

**During school terms*

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