

Service Plan | Sunday 3 October

- This service is designed for use in a small group setting, so will function differently with only 1 or 2 people. Feel free to adapt it to suit.
- It will be helpful if one person leads the gathering, and introduces each section using the suggested words, or take turns! There are some things to say together as well (in bold).
- You can access the songs and sermon by clicking on the links where they are found in the outline.

Introduction

We have come together as the church of God to fix our eyes upon Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, to encourage one another to hold fast to the hope he has given us, and to spur one another on to love and good deeds.

Psalm 105 says:

“Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; proclaim his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell about all his wonderful works!”

Let’s now sing together:

Optional Song

Won My Heart - [Link](#)

Optional Kid’s Song

Super Saviour - [Link](#)

Optional Kid’s Video (approx. 11 minutes)

Friendship with God (Part 1 - Broken Friendships) - [Overview with discussion Q’s](#)

Quiz Worx Video - [Link](#)

Kids’ Activity sheets are here: [Ages 2-4](#) | [Ages 5-8](#) | [Ages 9-12](#)

Bible Readings

The following, or another prayer may be said before the Bible readings

Open our hearts to receive your word, that we may know you better and be thoroughly equipped for every good work, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

2 Peter 3

Dear friends, this is now the second letter I have written to you; in both letters, I want to stir up your sincere understanding by way of reminder, ²so that you recall the words previously spoken by the holy prophets and the command of our Lord and Savior given through your apostles. ³Above all, be aware of this: Scoffers will come in the last days scoffing and following their own evil desires, ⁴saying, “Where is his ‘coming’ that he promised? Ever since our ancestors fell asleep, all things continue as they have been since the beginning of creation.” ⁵They deliberately overlook this: By the word of God the heavens came into being long ago and the earth was brought about from water and through water. ⁶Through these the world of that time perished when it was flooded. ⁷By

the same word, the present heavens and earth are stored up for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

⁸ Dear friends, don't overlook this one fact: With the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. ⁹ The Lord does not delay his promise, as some understand delay, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance.

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief; on that day the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, the elements will burn and be dissolved, and the earth and the works on it will be disclosed. ¹¹ Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, it is clear what sort of people you should be in holy conduct and godliness ¹² as you wait for the day of God and hasten its coming. Because of that day, the heavens will be dissolved with fire and the elements will melt with heat. ¹³ But based on his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

¹⁴ Therefore, dear friends, while you wait for these things, make every effort to be found without spot or blemish in his sight, at peace. ¹⁵ Also, regard the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our dear brother Paul has written to you according to the wisdom given to him. ¹⁶ He speaks about these things in all his letters. There are some things hard to understand in them. The untaught and unstable will twist them to their own destruction, as they also do with the rest of the Scriptures.

¹⁷ Therefore, dear friends, since you know this in advance, be on your guard, so that you are not led away by the error of lawless people and fall from your own stable position. ¹⁸ But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.

[Psalm 27](#)

Of David.

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation—
whom should I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—
whom should I dread?

² When evildoers came against me to devour my flesh,
my foes and my enemies stumbled and fell.

³ Though an army deploys against me,
my heart will not be afraid;
though a war breaks out against me,
I will still be confident.

⁴ I have asked one thing from the LORD;
it is what I desire:
to dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
gazing on the beauty of the LORD
and seeking him in his temple.

⁵ For he will conceal me in his shelter
in the day of adversity;
he will hide me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.

⁶ Then my head will be high
above my enemies around me;
I will offer sacrifices in his tent with shouts of joy.
I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷ LORD, hear my voice when I call;
be gracious to me and answer me.

⁸ My heart says this about you:
“Seek his face.”

LORD, I will seek your face.

⁹ Do not hide your face from me;
do not turn your servant away in anger.
You have been my helper;
do not leave me or abandon me,
God of my salvation.

¹⁰ Even if my father and mother abandon me,
the LORD cares for me.

¹¹ Because of my adversaries,
show me your way, LORD,
and lead me on a level path.

¹² Do not give me over to the will of my foes,
for false witnesses rise up against me,
breathing violence.

¹³ I am certain that I will see the LORD’s goodness
in the land of the living.

¹⁴ Wait for the LORD;
be strong, and let your heart be courageous.
Wait for the LORD.

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Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,**

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
he was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon

Matthew Jones - [Psalm 27](#)

Optional time for discussion or reflection

Prayer

Informal time of prayer or you could use the prayers below:

We thank you Lord, that in the same way that you drew near and walked through much strife with your first disciples, you also have promised to come close to us to give great support on our journey through uncertain times. How wonderful that you are with us until the end of this age. Praise be to you for your steadfast love that never wavers or fails, despite all the challenges around us.

We thank you Father for all our many church leaders who teach and remind us of the truths contained in your word, as they exemplify the likeness of your beloved Son. Please give great wisdom, insight, good health and persistence to Jim, Dan, Gary and others as they guide us. Bless all the members of SYNOD and may they efficiently discover and implement your plans as they meet together soon. Sustain and energise our archbishop and his helpers Lord, and protect Sydney Anglicans from the attacks of those who would do us harm. We thank you that the NSW State government plans to allow us to all meet together for worship soon, regardless of vaccination status. Please Lord may this go well, and the risks be well managed, and our faith in you and love for one another greatly manifest.

We think of those involved in Anglican Aid projects at this time. Please keep them safe and help them to quickly discern what is needed and where, and to wisely prioritise assistance to the points of most need. Please help us here in Narellan to seek out and complete what aid projects we might be capable of, and complete them successfully on both a group and individual basis.

Please give strength, wisdom and deep faith to our link missionaries, the French family in Valencia, Spain. Might the children, Evie and Silas be kept safe and excel as they commence the new school year and cope exceptionally well with language and learning. May Tanja be encouraged to go on her way rejoicing in you and complete her tasks successfully. Please heal her from the problems with her back. May Jim teach and encourage others with confidence and insight. Help him to forever stay in tune with Your Spirit's guidance and be alert for opportunities such as the recent volcanic eruptions, to share the great hope of the gospel. Give him the courage and boldness for this.

We also ask that you encourage, strengthen and guide Karen Laird, our link missionary newly returned from Ireland. Despite the COVID anxieties of home here, may she know your peace, guidance and joy as she seeks new ministry opportunities.

These things we pray in the mighty name of Jesus our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Lord's Supper

During live service at 9am

What's Happening

Church News - [Link](#)

Optional Song

Be Thou My Vision - [Link](#)

Concluding Prayer

Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.



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CHRISTMAS
PLANNING MEETING
SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER
3PM ONLINE MEETING
ZOOM MEETING ID: 82262731043



A SEMINAR BY ANGLICARE AT
NARELLAN ANGLICAN CHURCH
MONDAY 25
OCTOBER
7-9PM
MENTAL HEALTH SEMINAR
SAVE THE DATE
Anglicare

CPR TRAINING

The Westmead Applied Research Centre is offering organisations the opportunity to have members trained in CPR for FREE, and Narellan Anglican has been invited to participate.

This public service initiative aims to raise general awareness of CPR and therefore includes CPR and First Aid training, as well as providing ongoing education and training material... all for FREE.

If you would like to be involved, please register your interest with the church office.



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Come And Meet Each Other
SATURDAY 9 OCT
2-3PM
ON ZOOM



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