



Hymns for today (* = The Source Hymnal)

Opening	161	Christ is our Cornerstone
Gradual	Insert	First Song of Isaiah
Offertory	138*	Great is thy faithfulness
Communion	421	Strengthen for Service
Closing	327*	Lord for the Years

Anglican Cycle of Prayer The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Bishop Nick Bundock; Porvoo Communion: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland. Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk). St Augustine's, Dumbarton (Heller Gonzalez)

Those on our prayer list: Ellen Thurlow; Revs. Les and Lucy Ireland, Agnes Rose; Bill Fergus; Rosa Revell and her sister; Barbara Fairlee, Sheila and Shaunda; Ruth Mitchell; Kennedy Fraser; Duncan Naysmith; Jean Dick; Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Karen Rose; Tom and Lynda; Jean Hindle; Peter Bladon; Helen Kerr; Glennis Tavener, Jean McLean, and those who are named in the Prayer Book at the back of the church.

Collect of the Day

O Lord, forgive the transgressions of your people: and by your goodness release us from the snare of sin, in which, by our frailty, we have been caught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Notices

- ❖ **WELCOME to Rooted and Roaming!** We are thrilled you are with us this morning.
- ❖ **22 November, 7:30pm – Music@St Cyprian's.**
- ❖ **29 November, Saturday, 2-4pm Advent Wreath Making Event!** All are welcome to come make a wreath in the church hall.
- ❖ **30 November, Sunday, 5pm – Service of Choral Evensong** honouring the incredible history of Concordia.
- ❖ **7 December, Sunday, noon - The Annual General Meeting** of the Congregation of St. Cyprian's Church will be held in the hall after the 10.30am Eucharist. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ❖ **17 December, 7pm, Blue Christmas Service** for those who would benefit from a slowed down service to allow space for a variety of emotions, including grief or sorrow.

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📅 My usual days off are Friday & Saturday

First Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its
people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.
No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be
considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be
considered accursed.
They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my
people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their
hands.
They shall not labour in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord--
and their descendants as well.
Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Epistle

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name
of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from
believers who are living in idleness and not
according to the tradition that they received
from us. For you yourselves know how you
ought to imitate us; we were not idle when
we were with you, and we did not eat
anyone's bread without paying for it; but with

toil and labour we worked night and day, so
that we might not burden any of you. This
was not because we do not have that right,
but in order to give you an example to
imitate. For even when we were with you,
we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling
to work should not eat. For we hear that
some of you are living in idleness, mere
busybodies, not doing any work. Now such
persons we command and exhort in the Lord
Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to
earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do
not be weary in doing what is right.

The Gospel

Luke 21: 5-9

. When some were speaking about the temple,
how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts
dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things
that you see, the days will come when not one
stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown
down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and
what will be the sign that this is about to take
place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led
astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I
am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after
them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do
not be terrified; for these things must take place
first, but the end will not follow immediately."
Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against
nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will
be great earthquakes, and in various places
famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful
portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you
and persecute you; they will hand you over to
synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought
before kings and governors because of my name.
This will give you an opportunity to testify. So
make up your minds not to prepare your defence
in advance; for I will give you words and a
wisdom that none of your opponents will be able
to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed
even by parents and brothers, by relatives and
friends; and they will put some of you to death.
You will be hated by all because of my name. But
not a hair of your head will perish. By your
endurance you will gain your souls."