

St Philip's Church Hill

8:30am

ANTE COMMUNION SERVICE

From the Book of Common Prayer 1662

Sunday 18th July 2021

Seventh Sunday After Trinity

STOPS IN GOD'S MEGA STORY

27 June	In the Beginning (Creation)	
4 July	Next stop: Promise (Abraham)	2000BC
11 July	Next stop: Redemption (Moses)	1300BC
18 July	Next stop: Land (Joshua)	1200BC
25 July	Next stop: Kingship (David)	1000BC
1 August	Next stop: Death (Exile)	600BC
8 August	Next stop: Resurrection (Jesus)	30AD
15 August	Next stop: Gospel (Paul)	32-60AD
22 August	In the End (New Creation)	

IF YOU ARE VISITING TODAY



Welcome to our church. We are glad you have joined us online today. If you are a new or visiting, we especially want to welcome you. If you would like one of the staff to get in contact with you, please fill in the connect card on our website.

bit.ly/churchhillconnect

If you have a smart phone, you can also scan this QR Code to take you straight there.

For all information on events and opportunities in the life of our church and city, please subscribe to the weekly news email at: **bit.ly/churchhillnews**

Words printed in bold are said together.

Our Vision.

'...For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Glory of God, as the waters cover the sea.'

- *Habakkuk 2:14*

Our Mission.

'To fill the city with Christ's teaching.'

- *Acts 5:28*



We Walk

Deeper Discipleship
Lives filled with the Spirit of Christ



We Reach

City Gospel Engagement (and beyond)
A City filled with the Gospel of Christ



We Love

Compelling Community
A Church filled with the Love of Christ



We Make Room

Presence and Property
The Earth filled the Glory of Christ

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As we gather together in the presence of God, Church Hill acknowledges the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet. In his wisdom and love, our heavenly Father gave this estate to the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation. Upon this land they met for generations until the coming of British settlers. As we continue to learn to live together on these ancestral lands, we acknowledge and pay our respects to their elders, past and present, and pray that God will unite us all in a knowledge of his Son, in whom all things were created, in heaven and on earth, whether visible or invisible—for all things have been created through him and for him.

- *Acknowledgment of Country sourced from the Presidential Address of the Archbishop of Sydney at each Synod since 2014*

The Bible, while it has relevance and significance for us, was not written to us. It was written in a language that most of us do not understand, to a culture very different from ours, and to people who thought very differently from how we do. [...] It not written to us (not in our language or in response to our culture.) The message transcends culture, but it is given in a form that is fully ensconced in the ancient cultural river of Israel.

~ **John H. Walton and J. Harvey Walton**

Hymn All My Hope On God Is Founded

1. All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

2. Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his trust;
What with care and toil he buildeth,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

3. God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep his wisdom passing thought:
Splendour, light, and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

4. Daily doth the almighty giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.

5. Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
One and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.

*Joachim Neander 1650-80
Tr. Robert Seymour Bridges 1844-1930
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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil. **Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name: through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Commandments

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and greatest commandment.

The second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all thy law in our hearts we beseech thee.

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Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Old Testament Readings

Joshua 1

¹ After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant: ² 'Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the River Jordan into the land I am about to give to them – to the Israelites. ³ I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. ⁴ Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates – all the Hittite country – to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. ⁵ No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. ⁶ Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

⁷ 'Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.

⁸ Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'

¹⁰ So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: ¹¹ 'Go through the camp and tell the people, "Get your provisions ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the Lord your God is giving you for your own."

¹² But to the Reubenites, the Gadites and the half-tribe of Manasseh, Joshua said,

¹³ 'Remember the command that Moses the servant of the Lord gave you after he said, "The Lord your God will give you rest by giving you this land." ¹⁴ Your wives, your children and your livestock may stay in the land that Moses gave you east of the Jordan, but all your fighting men, ready for battle, must cross over ahead of your fellow Israelites. You are to help them ¹⁵ until the Lord gives them rest, as he has done for you, and until they too have taken possession of the land that the Lord your God is giving them. After that, you may go back and occupy your own land, which Moses the servant of the Lord gave you east of the Jordan towards the sunrise.'

¹⁶ Then they answered Joshua, 'Whatever you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go. ¹⁷ Just as we fully obeyed Moses, so we will obey you. Only may the Lord your God be with you as he was with Moses. ¹⁸ Whoever rebels against your word and does not obey it, whatever you may command them, will be put to death. Only be strong and courageous!'

Joshua 21:43-45

⁴³ So the Lord gave Israel all the land he had sworn to give their ancestors, and they took possession of it and settled there. ⁴⁴ The Lord gave them rest on every side, just as he had sworn to their ancestors. Not one of their enemies withstood them; the Lord gave all their enemies into their hands. ⁴⁵ Not one of all the Lord's good promises to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled.

The Epistle

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled round your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

The Gospel

The holy Gospel is written in the 18th chapter of the Gospel according to St John beginning at the 28th verse.

Glory be to thee O Lord.

John 18:28-40

²⁸ Then the Jewish leaders took Jesus from Caiaphas to the palace of the Roman governor. By now it was early morning, and to avoid ceremonial uncleanness they did not enter the palace, because they wanted to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹ So Pilate came out to them and asked, 'What charges are you bringing against this man?'

³⁰ 'If he were not a criminal,' they replied, 'we would not have handed him over to you.'

³¹ Pilate said, 'Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.'

'But we have no right to execute anyone,' they objected. ³² This took place to fulfil what Jesus had said about the kind of death he was going to die.

³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?'

³⁴ 'Is that your own idea,' Jesus asked, 'or did others talk to you about me?'

³⁵ 'Am I a Jew?' Pilate replied. 'Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?'

³⁶ Jesus said, 'My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.'

³⁷ 'You are a king, then!' said Pilate.

Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.'

³⁸ 'What is truth?' retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, 'I find no basis for a charge against him. ³⁹ But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover. Do you want me to release "the king of the Jews"?''

⁴⁰ They shouted back, 'No, not him! Give us Barabbas!' Now Barabbas had taken part in an uprising.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be unto thee, O Lord, for this thy holy gospel.

The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, light of light,
very God of very God,
Begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made:
who for us men, and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin Mary,
and was made man,
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge
both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church*.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*'Catholic and Apostolic Church' is the totality of God's people through the ages who hold firm to the classic teachings of Christ's apostles.

Sermon – Rt. Rev. Robert Forsyth

Next Stop: Land (Joshua)

Introducing Joshua.

The difficult thing in Joshua.

Why isn't Joshua the end of God's mega story? Joshua 21:45

But 1 Kings 8:56.

And John 18:36

Ephesians 6:11-12

And Revelation 21:1-4

Hymn A Mighty Stronghold Is Our God

1. A mighty stronghold is our God,
A sure defence and weapon.
He'll help us out of every need
Whatever now may happen.
The ancient evil fiend
Has deadly ill in mind;
Great power and craft are his,
His armour gruesome is,
On earth is not his equal.

2. With our own strength is nothing done,
Soon we are lost, dejected;
But for us fights the rightful man
Whom God himself elected.
You ask: Who may this be?
Christ Jesus it is he,
The Lord Sabaoth's son,
Our God, and he alone
Shall hold the field victorious.

3. And though the world were full of fiends
All lurking to devour us,
We tremble not nor fear their bands,
They shall not overpower us.
The prince of this world's ill
May scowl upon us still,
He cannot do us harm,
To judgement he has come:
One word can swiftly fell him.

4. The Word they must allow to stand -
For this they win no merit;
Upon the field, so near at hand,
He gives to us his Spirit:
And though they take our life,
Goods, honour, child and wife,
Though we must let all go,
They will not profit so:
To us remains the kingdom.

*Martin Luther 1483-1546
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Prayers

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [* to accept our alms and oblations, and] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant Elizabeth our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

* If there be no alms or oblations, then the words be left out unsaid.

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship thee, we give thee thanks,
we praise thee for thy glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For thou alone art the Holy One;
thou alone art the Lord;
thou alone art the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Announcements and Welcome

Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Organist: Sophie Gerber
Singer: Kathryn Harwood

NOTICES



A YEAR WITH JESUS

Want to get to know Jesus more deeply over summer? Download Church Hill's daily devotional app 'A Year With Jesus' in the app store. Catch up on previous talks in the 'library tab' or simply join us on Monday for our next instalment as we work through John's gospel this year.

ACTS 6: PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE IN NEED

If you (or someone you know) who regularly attends Church Hill Anglican is in need of temporary financial assistance or practical care beyond what your community group can provide, contact the Acts 6 Ministry for a confidential assessment to see if we can help: acts6@churchhillanglican.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CITY CARE LUNCH DATES FOR 2021

15 August 17 October 12 December

citycare@churchhillanglican.com

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

Thursdays 7:30am in the St Philip's Parish Hall.

BISHOP'S BIBLE STUDY

The Bishop's Bible Study is held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 10.30am - 12 noon. The next study will be on 22nd July on Zoom.

If you haven't received the zoom link email Rob Forsyth at rob@churchhillanglican.com.

The following study will be held on 12th August.

RIVENDELL 2022

Friday 18 to Sunday 20 February at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops.

COMMUNITY GROUPS 2021

Community Groups are at the centre of our vision for church and one of the ways that we can continue to walk and grow as disciples of Jesus as we do life together. Our Community Groups consist of: Bible and prayer, with fun, friendship, support and hospitality, as well as a strong desire to see new people folded in. Groups meet at various times throughout the week, in the city and surrounding suburbs and there are different types of groups to suit different people.

Whether you are already in a group, or looking to join one, we would appreciate you taking the time to fill this short survey in. This will help us as we plan our groups.

Head to bit.ly/2021communitygroups or scan the QR code to complete the survey.



Giving

Taking your place in the life of this church (financially)

While we don't take a physical collection during our service, if you belong to and benefit from Church Hill, please take your part in contributing financially to the ministry of the church in this city. The most intentional way to give is to give online, using the following banking details.

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March 2021 offertories:	\$58,319	(Budget \$59,962)
April 2021 offertories:	\$48,685	(Budget: \$59,961)
May 2021 offertories:	\$46,626	(Budget \$59,962)
YTD 2021 offertories:	\$251,824	(YTD Budget: \$299,808)

Useful Information

-- Church Hill has a **No Tolerance** approach to any form of domestic and family violence. We are committed to being a church family where people feel safe. We believe God has a heart for loving and respectful relationships. If you or someone near to you is in a situation of domestic and family violence, we are here to listen, believe you and support you.

If you would like to speak to a member of the ministry team, please contact Justin Moffatt or Emma Collett. In addition, you can call 1800 RESPECT, a 24/7 telephone service that provides information, counselling and support. All support is completely confidential.

Sunday Service Times At Church Hill Anglican

ST PHILIP'S

- 8:30am*
- 10:30am* (with kids' program)
- 6pm*

THE GARRISON

- 9:30am
- 4pm*

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* If you're unable to make it to a service in person, our 8:30am, 10:30am, 4pm and 6pm services are livestreamed each Sunday at youtube.com/c/churchhillanglican/live

Staff

Rev. Justin Moffatt
Senior Minister

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Rt. Rev. Rob Forsyth
Assistant Minister (2.5 days)

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Rowan Paterson
Assistant Minister (5 days)

Vanessa Ong
Student Minister (6pm)

Emma Collett
Assistant Minister

Stuart Sharry
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Andy Bell
Music Director & Lay Minister (4 days)

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Assistant Minister (3 days)

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