



TOGETHER IN FAITH

We extend a warm welcome to everyone to worship today

‘We are God’s people: unconditionally loved by God. Following our calling, we seek to reflect God’s love everywhere, in all that we are and in all that we do’

Lectionary Readings for Pentecost 4A, 2026 June 21

Theme: “Taking up the cross”

Genesis 21:8-21 “Do not be afraid, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is.”(v.17)

Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17 “Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.”(v.1)

Romans 6:1b-11 “But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.”(v.8)

Matthew 10:24-39 “whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.”(v.38)

We started our reflection on “Mission” from the Trinity Sunday with Matt 28 the Great Commission. In this commission, I emphasised the key message is “I am with you always.” Then in week 2, we heard Abraham’s covenant with God, calling him to receive blessing and be a blessing to others, following last week, Jesus sending disciples out. Now this week, we listen Jesus saying what it means to be a disciple who take up the cross, but also don’t need to worry, “So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.”(v.31) Often, “taking up the cross” means hardship and difficulties. However we hear from today’s readings, God want us to know before we take up the cross. Genesis 21 tells the story of Hagar and how God heard her prayer and assuring, “Do not be afraid for God has heard the voice.”(v.17) Psalm 86 sound like a song of Hagar praying, “Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.”(v.1) Taking up the cross, might be a very difficult job, but Romans says “if we die with Christ...we will also live with him.”(v.8) When we are called to participate in the Mission of God (Missio Dei) let us remember it is God who invites us, enables us and journey together with us. Therefore, the pain on the cross will guide us to the life of resurrection with Christ.

Week 1 May 31 Mission - I am with you always.

Week 2 June 7 Mission - Being called by God to be a blessing

Week 3 June 14 Mission - Being Sent by Jesus (Greta Moyhu)

Week 4 June 21 Mission - Taking up the cross

Week 5 June 28 Mission - Welcoming reward

Week 6 July 7 Mission - I will give you rest

Question:

1. Who’s prayer God is listening? Sarah’s or Hagar’s?
2. What does it mean that Jesus came to give a sword not the peace?

Next week: Pentecost 4A, 2026 June 21

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalms 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42



Worship Services Today

Wangaratta 9.30am

Rev. Hoon You

Wangaratta 5.00pm HC

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Online Giving

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**Short Notices for the weekly
bulletin can be emailed to
Christina by 4pm Wednesday**

News

Rev. Hoon will take 3 days of annual leave from Tuesday 23rd June to visit Family.

Giving envelopes for 2026-2027 year are available now in the foyer of the church.

If you would like a yearly set of envelopes for giving please contact Helen James (0488 300 169).

Could these new envelopes please be used from the first Sunday in July (5 July 2026).

Please **do not use any old envelopes** you may have left over from other years. Thank you

The funeral of Rev Glenys Gill will be held at the Benalla Uniting Church, cnr Carrier and Church Streets, Benalla

on Friday 26 June at 1.30pm

Glenys was ordained in 1982 and died on 14 June 2026.

She served in ministry in Beulah, Kerang, Broome (WA), Benalla / Swanpool / Devenish / Goorambat, and Euroa

New Tallangatta –70 Year Commemoration Invitation

Tallangatta marks 70 years since the town was moved. As part of the celebration, St Michael's Catholic Church and Christ Church Anglican, will open their doors all weekend for a special "Church Crawl" showcasing the beautiful stained-glass windows and displays that have shaped the worship life of our town for generations.

St Andrews Uniting Church, 23 Willong Street, Tallangatta will join in the Church Crawl by opening on Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 June 2026, 2.00 –4.00 pm

Marvel at the beautiful stained-glass windows and read their origin story. There will be a small historical display, including marriage records from the 1970s, photographs, and items that may spark memories of earlier days in both Old Tallangatta and the "new" town. A cuppa and a friendly chat will be on offer.

For information contact Cindy Pickering (0410 425 335) or Lorraine Miller (0438 812 427)

Rosters for Sunday Worship

Wangaratta Cluster Calendar

Monday 22nd June
Mainly Music

Saturday 27th June
Church Knitting Group - 9am

Wednesday 1st July
Singing Group at Illoura
10.30am - 11.30am

Wednesday 1st July
PALS - 2pm

Wednesday 8th July
Rangeview Service - 11am



Wangaratta 9.30am	21 st June Pentecost 4	28 th June Pentecost 5	5 th July Pentecost 6
Worship Leader	Rev. Hoon You	Rev. Hoon You	Rev. Hoon You HC
Musician	H Miles	H Miles	R McLay
Vestry	S don Leonard	Anne Turnbull	E Dinning
Welcome and Offering	G Blanch	P Ritchie & E Yelland	A Turnbull & A Twitt
Bible Reader	S don Leonard	G Blanch	H Twitt *
Morning Tea	S Carter & M Stephens	M Clayden	P Ritchie & E Yelland
5 pm	Wendie Wilkie HC	Suzie don Leonard	Rev. Hoon You
Eldorado 10am	Rev. Hoon You 2pm HC	No Service	L Johnson & Congregation
Greta/Moyhu 10am	No Service	John van Riet	No Service

*Also helps with Vestry for HC

If you are unable to fulfil your rostered duty, please arrange to swap with someone else. A heartfelt thanks to you all - our priceless volunteers!