



**29 August 2010 | PENTECOST XIV**



**No cellphones or  
cameras please**

### **8.00am HOLY COMMUNION**

Presiding Priest & Preacher: Dean Peter Beck  
Reader: Evelyn Terris  
Intercessor: Sr Sandra CSN  
Sidesperson: Evelyn Terris

### **10.00am CHORAL EUCHARIST WITH WOOLSTON BRASS**

Presiding Priest: Revd Lynda Patterson, Theologian in Residence  
Preacher: Dean Peter Beck  
Liturgical Assistant: Nicky Lee  
Music: The Cathedral Choir & Woolston Brass  
Directors of Music: Brian Law & Graeme Hickman  
Sir Gil Simpson Asst. Organist: Jeremy Woodside  
Verger: Chris Oldham  
Sound: Tony Biddington  
Sidespeople: Heather Harris, David Ellison, June Brighting,  
Christine Goode, Anne Palframan

### **5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG WITH CATHEDRAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL**

Officiant: Dean Peter Beck  
Preacher: Revd Lynda Patterson, Theologian in Residence  
Intercessor: Revd Bob Tremewan, CGS Chaplain  
Music: The Cathedral Choir and the choirs of  
The Cathedral Grammar School  
Cathedral Director of Music: Brian Law  
CGS Choir Directors: Jo Dodgshun, Paul Ellis, Peter Hind  
Sir Gil Simpson Asst. Organist: Jeremy Woodside  
Verger: Chris Oldham  
Sound: Alastair Buick  
Sidespeople: Rosemary Allison, Ken & Trish Daniels

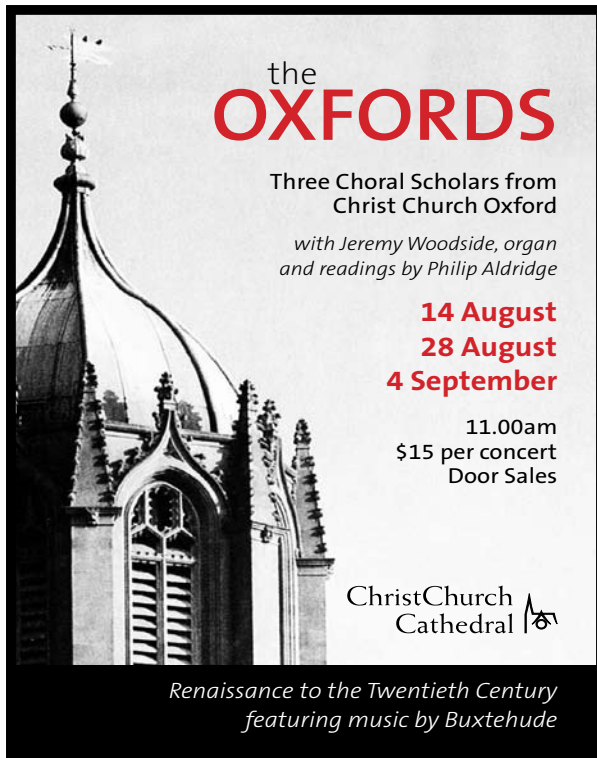
## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Welcome to the Cathedral today!** If you are on holiday and visiting Christchurch, we hope you are enjoying your stay. Thank you for choosing to worship at the Cathedral. **Youngsters at 10.** During the 10.00am service there are crèche facilities in the North Porch for children up to 3 years, and we run a programme for 3-7 year olds [look out for the person in the green hat!]. **For children over 7** there are work packs available - just ask a sidesperson.

This morning we welcome **Woolston Brass** who join us for our 10am service. The Band is celebrating the 35th anniversary of their famous win at the Edinburgh Festival Invitation Brass Band Contest in 1975. They are the The NZ Grade A Champion Band and it will be a delight to have them sharing with our choir in giving glory to God.

Tonight we welcome the community of **The Cathedral Grammar School**. The School choirs will each sing an anthem. It is good to welcome our own School to their own Cathedral.

For Regulars who give by the envelope system, the new **Offertory Envelopes** are available today at the rear of the Cathedral.




the  
**OXFORDS**

Three Choral Scholars from  
Christ Church Oxford

*with Jeremy Woodside, organ  
and readings by Philip Aldridge*

**14 August**  
**28 August**  
**4 September**

11.00am  
\$15 per concert  
Door Sales

ChristChurch  
Cathedral 

*Renaissance to the Twentieth Century  
featuring music by Buxtehude*

The **Education group** will meet with Lynette Hardie Wills this morning after the 10am service.

The final Recital in the series by **The Oxfords** is on Saturday at 11.00am

The next **Regulars' Forum** is next Sunday 5 September, followed by a **pot-luck lunch**, at which we will farewell this year's **Oxfords**, David Lee, James Potter and Thomas Bennett, who return to the other Christ Church.

**The Christchurch City Mission Foodbank** tells us they are low on food at the moment to give to those in need. They send thanks for your continuing support. The goods you donate in the food basket each week make a difference.

# THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL: 30 AUGUST ~ 5 SEPTEMBER

## MONDAY

12.05pm Holy Communion

## TUESDAY

12.05pm Holy Communion with healing prayers  
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Cathedral Choir*  
7.00pm Bellringers' practice

## WEDNESDAY

12.05pm Holy Communion in the Celtic tradition  
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the Cathedral Choir*  
6.15pm Cathedral Singers practice

## THURSDAY

12.05pm Holy Communion in te reo Maori  
10.00am "Cathedral of the Air" on 96.9 Plains FM  
5.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir*

## FRIDAY

12.05pm Holy Communion  
4.30pm Choral Evensong *sung by the choristers of the Cathedral Choir*  
7.00pm Diocesan Synod Service

## SATURDAY

11.00am Recital by "The Oxfords"

## SUNDAY 5 SEPTEMBER ~ PENTECOST XV

### 8.00am Holy Communion Service

*Presiding Priest and Preacher: Dean Peter Beck*

### 10.00am Choral Eucharist

*Presiding Priest: Revd Lynda Patterson, Theologian in Residence*  
*Preacher: Dean Peter Beck*  
*Music: The Cathedral Choir*

### 5.30pm Choral Evensong

*Officiant: Revd Lynda Patterson*  
*Music: The Cathedral Choir*

## 7.30pm NOSUN

I would like to become a Cathedral Regular. Please send me further information.

Please add me to the mailing list for the monthly Cathedral newsletter

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Please drop this slip into the offertory bag or give to the Verger

## POSTSCRIPT

Let no-one ever say that the clergy are underemployed. The 17th century Archbishop of Armagh, James Ussher, dedicated his life to working out the age of the earth through the genealogies in the Bible. He concluded that the world was created at 9am on 23rd October 4004 BC. He then went on to work out when it would come to an end – October 22nd 1996. I still remember bedraggled little groups of the faithful gathering that night to sing psalms and await the second coming. I went to bed thinking, “Well, what if they’re right?” But when I woke up, it was another unremarkable damp autumn morning and the world was still stubbornly spinning on its axis.

TS Eliot once suggested that the world will end not with a bang, but with a whimper. Research published this week in the journal *Science* suggests that the Universe will expand forever rather than contracting into a spectacular “Big Crunch”. It suggests that the ultimate fate of the universe is to become a cold, dead wasteland.

Hope for the future is crucial to the Christian faith. Sometimes we can get obsessed – like Archbishop Ussher- with predicting the detail. Yet, the Bible is far more interested in telling the story of how God transforms creation. In the transformation of the dead body of Jesus into the risen Christ, we see the first hint of how God re-shapes the Universe. We know how this story will end, and it gives us hope and an undeniable sense of responsibility.

Some say that such speculation is a waste of time. Yet there’s something in us that cannot stop thinking about the future. As my favourite philosopher and footballer, Paul Gascoigne, once said, “I never make predictions and I never will”.

*Revd Lynda Patterson*

## MEDITATION

Hospitality is about a relationship – one cannot be hospitable without guests.” This is exactly what Abraham and Sarah found out in their lives when into their tent walked three guests. And one of the guests was the, “Lord of heaven and earth.” But I want to share with you the rest of Matthew Fox’s profound quotation: “God not only plays the host for us and becomes the banquet for us; God also has become guest for us. This is the deepest meaning of the incarnation, that God let go of hosting long enough to become guest as well.

*Matthew Fox*

