

## Christmas Eve Psalm 96

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O sing to the Lord a new song:  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**Sing to the Lord and bless his holy name:  
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**

Declare his glory among the nations:  
and his wonders among all peoples.

**For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised:  
he is more to be feared than all gods.**

As for all the gods of the nations, they are mere idols:  
it is the Lord who made the heavens.

**Majesty and glory are before him:  
beauty and power are in his sanctuary.**

Render to the Lord, you families of the nations:  
render to the Lord glory and might.

**Render to the Lord the honour due to his name: bring offerings and come  
into his courts.**

O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness:  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

**Say among the nations that the Lord is king: he has made the world so  
firm that it can never be moved; and he shall judge the peoples with  
equity.**

Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad:  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it:

**Let the fields rejoice, and everything in them:  
then shall all the trees of the wood**

**shout with joy before the Lord;**

For he comes, he comes to judge the earth:

he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

## Christmas Morning Psalm 97

1 The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice:  
let the multitude of islands be glad.

**2 Clouds and darkness are round about him:  
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

3 Fire goes before him: and burns up his enemies on every side.

**4 His lightnings light the world:  
the earth sees it and quakes.**

5 The mountains melt like wax before his face:  
from before the face of the Lord of all the earth.

**6 The heavens have proclaimed his righteousness:  
and all peoples have seen his glory.**

7 They are ashamed, all those who serve idols and glory in mere nothings:  
all gods bow down before him.

**8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced:  
because of your judgements, O God.**

9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth: you are exalted far above all  
gods.

**10 The Lord loves those that hate evil:  
the Lord guards the life of the faithful, and delivers them from the  
hand of the ungodly.**

11 Light dawns for the righteous: and joy for the true of heart.

**12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous:  
and give thanks to his holy name.**



## St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ.  
Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ.  
Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

Christmas Day 25th December 2020

WELCOME TO OUR CHRISTMAS SERVICES



### Sentence at night:

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; for to us a child is born, to us a son is given. *Isaiah 9.2,6*

### Collect Prayer for the Night Service

Eternal God, Who made this most holy night  
to shine with the brightness of your one true light:  
bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth,  
to see the radiance of your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Sentence on Christmas Day:

I bring you good news of great joy for all people: to you is born this day  
in the city of David a Saviour, Christ the Lord. *Luke 2.10-11*

### Collect Prayer for the Morning Service

All glory to you, gracious God, for the gift of your Son,  
whom you sent to save us. With the angels, let us praise your name,  
and tell the earth his story, that all may believe, rejoice,  
and proclaim your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Christmas 2020

This year has certainly been one to remember, but for all the wrong reasons. We have faced many challenges, but have also been quite blessed here in Tweed Heads. As we come to the celebration of Christmas, many are relieved that the year is almost over and many may be looking forward to a better 2021. Christmas is a time when we are intentionally reminded of the Incarnation. Jesus has come into the world as a Human Being like us. So no matter the challenges, followers of Jesus can be assured of God's presence with us always. With Jesus there is Hope. I pray that this Christmas, you will be reminded again of this hope, and be strengthened in it.

With God's Blessing's for a Happy and Holy Christmas. Rev. Dway

### ABM Reflection

The angel says: *Do not be afraid*. The phrase is used throughout the Bible – in the Hebrew Scriptures, in the Apocrypha and in the New Testament. God does not want us to be timid, afraid, anxious or troubled. God wants us, as the birth of Jesus shows, to come closer. Perfect love casts out fear (1 John 4.18), and today God surrounds us with perfect love in the birth of the Baby at Bethlehem.

Pray this week that you may show perfect love to all you encounter.  
Give thanks for the work and witness of the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa.

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### Christmas Bible Readings

Readings for Christmas Eve: Isaiah 9:2-7; Ps 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14

Readings for Christmas Day: Isaiah 62:6-12; Ps 97; Titus 3:4-8a; Luke 2:8-20

### COVID-19 Update

We have a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place.

Worship time will continue with one 9.00am service only on Sunday mornings.

With the 2sq metre rule from 13th December we will be able to have 160 people in Church.

Singing will still be restricted.

Face masks are still recommended.

It is recommended you download the COVID Safe App if you feel comfortable doing so.

Cleaning will still be required after each time the Church is used.

Recording of attendance will still be required. Due to this we will still be encouraging people to

book in before the services, but if you have not booked in you can come and register on the day.

Please call the office on 07 5536 1060 on the Thursday or Friday prior between 9am and 12 noon to register.

Please feel free to call me if you have any queries. God Bless Dway.

### NOTICE of Parish Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 21st February 2021 commencing at 10:30am.

Would all event coordinators please have your reports for the AGM into the Parish Office by Friday, 22nd January 2021. Thank you.

### Weekly Worship Resources

When the COVID-19 Restrictions came into place we began emailing out the Weekly Pew Bulletin, Bible readings and a Reflection on the readings. This still occurs every week. If you are not on the list and would like to be, please contact Rev. Dway Ph. 07 5536 1060 or email [priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au](mailto:priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au)

These items are also available on the Website - [www.stcuthbertschurch.com.au](http://www.stcuthbertschurch.com.au)

### 2021 Planning

Ash Wednesday

17th February 2021

Good Friday

2nd April 2021

Easter Day

4th April 2021

Details of Services and Events will be advised closer to the time.

For queries please contact Rev. Dway Ph. 07 5536 1060 or email [priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au](mailto:priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au)

### OFFICE CLOSURE

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE IS NOW CLOSED AND WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY 5TH JANUARY 2020.

MESSAGES WILL BE TAKEN ON THE PARISH NUMBER FOR SERVICE BOOKINGS.  
FOR ANY EMERGENCIES PLEASE RING THE PARISH OFFICE ON (07) 5536 1060

## Merry Christmas!

In Zimbabwe, the coronavirus is pushing already vulnerable families to the brink without the support they need to survive. Through your gift this Christmas Bowl, Act for Peace's local partner will help families like Martha's to grow their own food and become more food secure.

This Christmas, you can shine Christ's light by giving life-changing training, seeds and tools to families in Zimbabwe. **Please give today.**

Christmas Day



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Weekly Services: Sunday 9am. COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. BOOKINGS RECOMMENDED. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 9am and 12 NOON TO BOOK.