

Saint George and Saint James
Anglican Parish in the Borough of Queenscliffe

The Reign of Christ

Sunday 25th November, 2018

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14

⁹ As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
 and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
 and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
 and its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
 and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
 and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending
him.
The court sat in judgement,
 and the books were opened.
¹³ As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
 coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
 and was presented before him.
¹⁴ To him was given dominion
 and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages

should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Psalm 132.1-12 (APBA p. 364)

¹ Lord, remember David and all his trouble:
how he swore an oath to the Lord,
and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob;
² 'I will not enter the shelter of my house:
nor climb into the comfort of my bed;
³ 'I will not give sleep to my eyes:
or slumber to my eyelids,
⁴ 'Till I find out a place for the ark of the Lord:
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.'
⁵ Lo, we heard of it at Ephrathah:
we found it in the fields of Ja-ar.
⁶ Let us go to the place of his dwelling:
let us fall upon our knees before his footstool.
⁷ Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place:
you, and the ark of your might.
⁸ Let your priests be clothed with righteousness:
and let your faithful ones shout for joy.
⁹ For the sake of David your servant:
do not turn away the face of your anointed.
¹⁰ The Lord has sworn to David:
an oath which he will not break;

¹¹ 'One who is the fruit of your body:

I will set upon your throne.

¹² 'If your children will keep my covenant

and the commands which I teach them:

their children also shall sit upon your throne for ever.'

Revelation 1.4b-8

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,

⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,

⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 18.33-37

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?'

³⁴ Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did

others tell you about me?' ³⁵ Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew,

am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶ Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷ Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Reading sheets for Sunday, Wednesday and Friday Eucharists are usually available a week ahead of time. Prayerful reflection on the readings can be part of preparing ourselves for worship and Holy Communion.

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