**Pentecost 3 29 June 2014**

*The church is fitted with a hearing loop which covers the body of the church.*

*Hearing aid wearers are advised to switch their aid to T-setting.*

**THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

ORGAN PRELUDE

*The people are invited to stand for the entrance of the Bible.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Source of life, eternal God,

we have come from many places

for a little while.

Redeemer of humanity, God-with-us,

we have come with all our differences,

seeking common ground.

Spirit of unity, go-between God,

we have come on journeys of our own

to the place where journeys meet.1

HYMN 89 O Worship the Lord

GREETING AND WELCOME   
Grace and peace to you, in the name of Love.

And also with you.

We acknowledge the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians of the Adelaide Plains. We pray that in the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit we may work together for reconciliation and justice in this land.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**  
The blessing of the Trinity…

The blessing of God

who is in this place and every place;

the blessing of Jesus

who is amongst us, often unrecognised;

the blessing of the Holy Spirit

encouraging us to welcome, and to feel at home;

be with us all. Amen 2

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, you are always true to us in love

and so we confess:

our faithlessness to you and to one another,

our forgetting of the poor and the broken,

our failure to cherish creation.

**Give us life, O God, to change**

**and enable us to change, that we may live.3**

*A time of silence as we reflect on these words for ourselves*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God in the torn apart,

God in the wholeness,

God in the emptiness,

God in the fullness,

you are God with us

in everlasting faithfulness.4

Here this word of assurance:

our sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

ANTHEM Laudate nomen Domini Christopher Tye (c. 1500-1572 or 1573)

(O Come ye servants of the Lord)

***The children are invited to go with Jenny to the Lounge for special activities.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We welcome your Word of truth and love

in these readings,

and seek your guidance in our listening,

that we may hear. **Amen**

FIRST READING Genesis 22: 1-14

In this is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**.

PSALM 13

1How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever  
long wilt thou hide thy face from me?  
2long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart  
long shall mine enemies triumph over me?  
3, and hear me, O Lord my God  
mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.  
4mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him  
if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.  
5my trust is in thy mercymy heart is joyful in thy salvation.  
6will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me  
, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

*Please stand and sing the concluding Gloria*

**Glory be to the Father, and / to the / Son:**

**and / to the / Holy Spirit;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and / ever /shall be**

**world without / end. / A / men**

SECOND READING Romans 6: 12-23

In this is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM Lead me, Lord S.S. Wesley 1810-1876

*Please stand for the gospel*

A reading from the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, Lord**

GOSPEL READING Matthew 10: 40-42

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

HYMN 552 Our Saviour’s infant cries were heard

Sermon

**THE RESPONSE TO GOD IN WORD AND ACTION**

Hymn 604 Through all the changing scenes of life

# *During the singing of this hymn our offering will be received.*

# *Please remain standing for the dedication prayer.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With these gifts,

we welcome friend and stranger alike,

blessing others with hospitality and hope.

May it be so. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Redeeming Sustainer,  
visit your people  
and pour out your strength and courage upon us,  
that we may hurry to make you welcome  
not only in our concern for others,  
but by serving them  
generously and faithfully in your name.

We are concerned for the stateless and the homeless;

those not welcome in any place.

We are concerned for the bereaved and the mourning;

those who have lost,

or are lost to, loved ones and friends.

We are concerned for the disenfranchised;

those who are powerless

to change, to grow, to hope.

God of mercy and healing,  
you who hear the cries of those in need,  
receive these petitions of your people  
that all who are troubled  
may know peace, comfort, and courage. Amen

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(printed inside cover of hymn book)*

**THE SENDING FORTH OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

HYMN 368 All my hope on God is founded

WORDS OF MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Go now as those who have been brought from death to life,  
and welcome the Christ in all whom you meet.  
Present yourselves to God   
to be put to work in the service of righteousness.  
  
And may God provide for you in mercy;  
May Christ Jesus greet you as you welcome the stranger;  
And may the Holy Spirit lead you in the ways   
........of sanctification and eternal life.5

***You are invited to be seated for the playing of the postlude,***

***or to leave at this point without disturbing those who wish to listen***

POSTLUDE Prélude from ‘Suite Médiévale’

Jean Langlais 1907-1991

*Please stand as the Bible is taken from the church.*

Presiding Minister Rev Jana Norman

Scripture Reader June Ward

Organist & Choir Director Peter Kelsall

The Choir of Pilgrim Church

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***Please join us for tea or coffee and fellowship in the Lounge***

***after the service.***

1 *Iona Abbey Worship Book*, p. 57.

2 *Ibid.,* p. 59.

3 *Ibid*., p. 80

4 McRae-McMahon, Dorothy. *Liturgies for High Days*. p. 131.

5 Nettleton, Nathan. Laughing Bird Liturgical Resources.