



**Pilgrim**  
Uniting Church

# 8.00am Morning Eucharist

Sunday, 21st July, 2019

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WELCOME and GREETING and COMMUNITY NEWS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

GATHERING

Here, in this place, we set apart time for reflection  
and to encourage each other in Christ.

It is God who is at work in us,  
enabling us to will and to work for Love's common good.

**God, source of life,  
Jesus, firstborn of creation,  
Spirit, living breath in all that is:  
we come to be thankful for life in all its fullness.**

HYMN TiS 154 Great is your faithfulness



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PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of justice, your word is light and truth.  
Be present to us to restore us,  
that we may walk in your way,  
seeking justice and doing good. **Amen.**

PSALM FOR THE DAY                  Psalm 52

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, if we are so busy or so anxious  
that we do not pause to perceive your presence,  
**Forgive us, O God.**

If we are so sure that we will recognise you "our way"  
that we refuse to be open to the way others may see you,  
**Forgive us, O God.**

When we choose to turn our faces away so that we do not see you,  
because that does not fit into our plans,  
**Forgive us, O God.**

If we have lost the joy of discovering your presence,  
and are going about our life as though there are few surprises,  
**Forgive us, O God,  
and renew our life with you. Amen.**

WORD OF ASSURANCE

Grace and peace are always present to us:  
in all our lostness, in all our weakness and sense of failure.  
Receive the peace and grace that is offered:  
we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

BIBLE READINGS:                  Amos 8: 1-12                  Luke 10: 38-42

REFLECTION

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

We come to sit and choose the better part:  
a time of closeness and openness to God.

Give us a new vision of a world  
in which people trust the kindness of others,  
in which leaders are not corrupted by power,  
in which violence does not prevail,  
nor lies hold the world to ransom  
as poor and needy people go wanting.

*We pray for our world in need:*

This is my prayer / **This is our prayer**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, God,  
for refreshing us at this table  
and in this quiet time filled with the presence of love.  
**Send us out restored for love and service. Amen.**

HYMN Tis 777                  May the grace of Christ our saviour

WORDS OF MISSION AND BLESSING

Go now, trusting in God's love forever  
and always giving thanks.  
Do not be worried or distracted,  
nor shift from the hope promised in the gospel,  
but choose the better way,  
uprooting injustice  
and proclaiming Christ with all wisdom.

And may God establish you securely in the faith;  
May Christ be present as peace to you;  
And may the Holy Spirit guide you in wisdom and truth.

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We exchange the sign of peace.*

*Everyone is invited to stay for a light continental breakfast  
following this service.*

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Open up your hearts.

**We open them to God.**

Let us give thanks and praise.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God,  
for you have revealed to us the mystery,  
hidden throughout the ages,  
which is Christ in us, the hope of glory.

We celebrate with gratitude the beauty of creation,  
woven together and held in love.  
Through your law and prophets you called us to your ways:  
to care for the least and the lost.  
In Jesus — your image made visible —  
you call us to sit at your feet  
and listen to your words of peace.  
Christ is alive as the reconciling power of love in the world.  
Therefore, we are established in hope.

And so we praise you  
with the faithful of every time and place,  
joining with the whole creation  
in the eternal hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy God of power - and vulnerability,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Come and renew us, God the giver of life.  
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

O God, we give you grateful thanks  
for all that lies within this sacred meal.

**May our lives show the signs  
that love is possible,  
grace is believable,  
and compassion is our way of life. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

The bread of life,

**the life of Christ.**

The cup of salvation,

**God's love poured out for the world.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

*Communion is shared*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,**

**Hallowed be your name,**

**Your kingdom come,**

**Your will be done,**

**On earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**As we forgive those who sin against us,**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**And deliver us from evil**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**And the glory are yours,**

**Now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN TIS 499 Lord Jesus, joy of loving hearts

*During the singing of this hymn our offering will be received.  
Please remain standing for the dedication prayer.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Redeeming Sustainer,

pour out your strength and courage upon us,

that we may hurry to make you welcome

not only in our concern for others

but also by serving them

generously and faithfully in your name

through these gifts. **Amen.**

COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

This table is open to all.

Come here and be refreshed.

THE NARRATIVE OF THE LAST SUPPER

We remember that Jesus, on the night he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave thanks to God.

He broke it and gave it to his friends, saying:

**"Take eat, this is my body, my living presence,  
given for you. Do this to remember me."**

He also took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God  
and gave it to his friends, saying:

**"Drink this all of you; for this is my very life,  
poured out for you. Do this to remember me."**