



Pilgrim
Uniting Church

8.00am
Morning Eucharist

Sunday, 29th July, 2018

Pentecost 10
COCU49B

WELCOME and GREETING

CALL to WORSHIP

The foolish and fearful say,
"We are alone, on our own."

We gather to remember the Presence of the Holy in our lives.

The foolish and arrogant say,
"It is my life; I am accountable to no one."

We gather to remember the love of Christ in our hearts.

The foolish and greedy say,
"Everything I have is mine;
I owe nothing to anyone."

We gather to remember the call to serve others in love.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Loving God, your grace is through and through,
and stretches beyond the farthest star;
your peace is deeper than our greatest emptiness;
your love spans any abyss of alienation and death;
your hope reaches out to touch all things, everywhere.

And so we come to you this day.

When our lives seem to empty out,
your grace is still our bedrock;
when our spirits run dry,
you fill us with your joy;
when we falter in our faith,
you strengthen us
to serve with hope and peace.
God of grace and God of glory,
we come to you this day.



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PSALM FOR THE DAY Psalm 14

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Come, let us set aside our foolish pride.
Let us be wise enough to offer confession,
to receive forgiveness,
and to seek to know the healing love of Christ.

**Wisdom's Heart, deep within,
we know we have failed to be your people.
Our hardened hearts have been closed to the love of Christ;
our hunger for more blocks the fullness of your grace
from transforming our lives;
our trust in the powers of the world
reveals a foolish streak.**

**Have mercy, God of every generation.
Shape us as your people,
and restore us to faithful living.**

A time of silence as we reflect on our own life

WORDS of ASSURANCE

The wideness of God's mercy,
the range of God's forgiveness,
the infinite love of God,
the Heart of hope which is never empty:
all these gifts are ours,
as God restores us to the fullness of life meant for us.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

HYMN TiS 133 O worship the King

BIBLE READINGS: Ephesians 3: 14-21
 John 6: 1-21

WITNESS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

HYMN TiS 611 God of grace and God of glory

BENEDICTION and SENDING OUT:

Go out into the world.
Seek God, and the wisdom of God.
Entrust whatever you have to Christ
by grace, there will always be more than enough.

And may God strengthen you in your inner beings.
May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith.
And may the Holy Spirit plant your roots deeply
in the abundant richness of God's love.

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

The sign of the peace is exchanged.

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

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God,
for we are overwhelmed
by the length and breadth, height and depth
of your mysteries, your grace, and your love for us in Christ.

You brought forth life in all the earth,
and from tiny fragments you create a rich abundance
to nurture and strengthen all who look to your hand.
You have given yourself generously to your people,
despite their eagerness to crown every new hero
and corrupt themselves before idols such as wealth and power.

In Jesus, you give us the one we long for.
Though he was crucified by the corrupt,
you raised new life in him and he comes to us again,
striding over chaos and death,
dispelling our fears with a love beyond comprehension,
strengthening us in our inner beings,
and bringing us to the land of our destiny.

And so together with all creation
we sing to the One who has provided all we need:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of truth and light.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Be present to us in this meal
with a love that surpasses knowledge, gracious God.
**We come with our broken selves,
to find here an abundance beyond our imagining.**

Bread – broken. The body of Christ – broken.
The cup of salvation – God's love poured out.

Communion is shared

A PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Thank you for refreshing us at this table, Loving God.
Here in these simple elements,
we have received all grace and all glory.
We have been met by love,
renewed with wisdom, and restored to hope.**

With confidence in the love and grace of God
we offer our prayers for others ... and for ourselves:

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

Prayers of the People, concluding with:

**Life-giving God, heal our lives,
that we may acknowledge your wonderful deeds
and offer you thanks from generation to generation
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as 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 516

Here, gracious Lord

*During the singing of this hymn, we will receive our offering
for the work of the church in the world.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We bring what we have to you, O God.
Receive it as Jesus did the offerings of the loaves and fishes.
**Bless our gifts now, we pray, that the people may be fed.
Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE NARRATIVE OF THE LAST SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God be with you.
And also with you.
Let us open our hearts.
We open our hearts to God.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.