

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday, 16th June 2019.

Acknowledgement of Country/First Peoples

*We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung People of the Kulin Nation,
past and present, and their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.*

Worth Pondering

"Heresy - is a cradle.

Orthodoxy - a coffin" *(Robert Ingersoll)*

**Our Church is a safe place for all people to worship
regardless of race, creed, cultural background or sexual identity**

**Speak, Lord, in the stillness, while we wait on thee
Hushed our hearts to listen in expectancy.**

**Speak, O Blessed Master, in this quiet hour;
Let us see thy face Lord, feel thy touch of power.**

Welcome:

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Your presence here enriches us all and this time of celebration together.

Call to Worship:

In the presence. In the peace. In the power, of God.

Let us celebrate life.

Let us ponder in our hearts the mystery and the wonder of our God...

HYMN: TIS 133:

- 1. O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
our shield and defender, the ancient of days,
pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.**
- 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.**

3. **The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old,
established it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.**
4. **Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.**
5. **Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail:
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our maker, defender, redeemer and friend.**
6. **measureless might, ineffable love,
while angels delight to hymn you above,
the humbler creation, though faltering their praise,
with true adoration shall sing all their days.**

*Robert Grant 1779-1838 alt.
based on Psalm 104 and Psalm 18*

Opening Sentences:

We live at mystery's edge watching for a startling light or a word to guide us.

**In fragile occurrence the Holy One presents oneself
and we must pause...**

Daily, there are glimmers, reflections of a seamless mercy
revealed in small and common things.

**These circles of grace spill out around us
and announce that we are part of this mystery**

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We are here.

We mindfully take our places in life again.

Imagine we are one, connected, human family.

Be and know, that you are the ones the world awaits.

Each of you here and now:

a difference, a beautiful presence.

Each of you

Sharing a Sign of Peace:

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

(people exchange a sign of peace)

The Ministry of the Word:

Let us hear what God the LORD will speak,

**for God will speak peace to the people, to the faithful ones,
to those who turn to God in their hearts.**

Bible Readings:

Psalm 8:

**O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.**

**Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because
of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**

**When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

**Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honour.**

**You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Romans 5:1-5:

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

John 16:12-15

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Lord may your word live in us

And bear much fruit to your glory

HYMN: TIS 143

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.**
- 2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
your justice like mountains high soaring above,
your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**
- 3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,
in all life now living, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.**
- 4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart
take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.**

5. **All praise we would render: reveal to our sight
what hides you is only the splendour of light;
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.**

Walter Chalmers Smith 1824-1908 alt.

Sermon:

HYMN: TIS 132

1. **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,
early in the morning to you our praise shall be;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**
2. **Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore you,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before you,
God everlasting through eternity.**
3. **Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide you,
though the sinful human eye your glory may not see,
you alone are holy, there is none beside you
perfect in power, in love and purity.**
4. **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,
all your works shall praise your name in earth and sky
and sea;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**

Reginald Heber 1783-1826 alt.

Offering & Dedication:

Notices:

Prayers of the People:

We are people of all ages who enter this space bringing our joys and concerns.

Joys and Celebrations; Grievs and Concerns shared.

(Silent Prayer)

Thoughts:

In all our joys and in all our sorrows,
may we be ever mindful of the presence of the sacred among us,
and see the new possibilities of every moment.

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN: TIS 351

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his glorious name!**

**Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
If we are silent, even stones cry out ...**

Lift high the cross

**Jesus, you wept to see our human strife,
teach us compassion for each human life ...**

Lift high the cross

**Peace was your plea and peace your loving theme
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream ...**

Lift high the cross

**Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God ...**

Lift high the cross

**Worlds to be born and children yet to be
come, take up this song into eternity ...**

Lift high the cross

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Words of Blessing:

May the mystery of God be found along the road.
The wonder of the costly love of Jesus embrace you.
And the Spirit bless and keep you, always.

May it be so.

Shalom: TIS 778