



13th June 2021 Yr B Pentecost 3
Dominic's Dedication

Welcome:

Greeting:

May the Lord be with you
And also with you

Moment of Stillness:

Let's take a moment to be still and aware of the God's presence within and all around us.

Christ Candle:

We light this light to remind us that God is with us.
God is always with us.

Acknowledgement First Peoples:

We acknowledge the sovereign First Peoples of this country on which we gather today; the Gadigal and Wangal people. And we pay our respects to their Elders past and present, together with all descendants.

We commit ourselves to support Voice, Treaty, Truth – justice for First Nations Peoples.

Call to Worship:

O God, you summon the day to dawn,
you teach the morning to waken the earth.

Great is your name.

Great is your love.

For you the valleys shall sing for joy,
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Great is your name.

Great is your love.

For you the leaders of the earth shall bow,
the poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.

Great is your name.

Great is your love.

Your love and mercy shall last for ever,
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

Great is your name.

Great is your love.

Opening Prayer:

Light of true light, true God from true God,
give us clear and innocent sight,
the sight of children,
capable of seeing beauty in the plainest of things.
We thank you that your creation glows with your fierce glory.
Draw us to the fire,
consume us with your glory,
that we may glow with your healing presence,
and be your light for the world.

Amen

Song: Morning had broken

1 Morning has broken
Like the first morning,

Blackbird has spoken
Like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
Fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall
Sunlit from Heaven,
Like the first dewfall
On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
Of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness
Where his feet pass.

3 Mine is the sunlight,
Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light
Eden saw play.
Praise with elation,
Praise every morning,
God's re-creation
Of the new day!

Prayer of Confession:

We come to God ,
knowing that we have failed to obey the call of Jesus
to love God and one another with our whole hearts;
but we come also to a God who reaches out to us
with healing and reconciliation.

In this knowledge, let us pray

In you gracious God,
the widowed find a carer,
the orphaned find a parent,
the fearful find a friend.

In you,
the wounded find a healer,
the penitent find a pardoner,
the burdened find a counsellor.

In you,
the greedy find a beggar,
the despondent find a laughter-maker,
the legalists find a rule-breaker.

In you, Jesus Christ,
we meet our Maker and our friend.

And if some need to say, 'Help me'
and if some need to say, 'Save me'
and if some need to say 'Hold me'
and if some need to say, 'Forgive me'
then let these be said now
in confidence
by us.

(silence)

O Christ,
in whose heart is both welcome and warning,
say to us,
do to us,
reveal within us
the things that will make us whole.

And we will wait;
and we will praise you.

Amen

Words of Assurance:

May God forgive us.
Christ befriend us,
and the Holy Spirit renew and change your lives.

Thanks be to God

Peace:

May the peace of Christ be with you
And also with you.

Hymn: Father welcomes all his children

Chorus:

Father welcomes all his children
to his family through his Son.
Father giving his salvation,
Life for ever has been won.

Little children, come to me,
for my kingdom is of these.
Life and love I have to give,
Mercy for your sin.

In the water, in the Word,
in his promise be assured:
Those who are baptised and believe
shall be born again.

Let us daily die to sin;
Let us daily rise with Him.
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord.
Live in the peace of God.

Moment for the young at heart:

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Congregational Response

The Church is the family of Christ, the community in which we grow in faith and commitment.

We rejoice in God's blessing of Dominic.

**We seek God's grace to be a community
in which the gospel is truly proclaimed to all.**

Belinda and Dave, we will support you and your child.

We pray that through our love Dominic may come to know God's love.

Bible Readings:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.”² Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’”³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.”⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?”⁵ He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.”^[a]⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.”⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.”⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.”¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.”¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.”¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.”¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Mark 4:26-34

²⁶He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.²⁸ The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head.²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”³⁰ He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable

will we use for it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” ³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Reflection:

Moment of Stillness:

Prayers of the People:

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 in the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours.
Now and forever.
Amen**

'Freddo' Moment: The congregation share good news

Community News:

Offering Prayer:

As we faithfully give either online or in the plate for the life and mission of God's church in this place and in the world, let's pray our offering prayer together:

May our gifts of money, time and of ourselves,
be your light in the world.
Take these gifts and make them radical;
guide their impact;
grow our sharing of all that we have been given in love.
In Jesus' name we pray
Amen.

Hymn: All praise to our redeeming Lord

1 All praise to our redeeming Lord,
who joins us by his grace,
and bids us, each to each restored,
together seek his face.

2 He bids us build each other up;
and gathered into one,
to our high calling's glorious hope,
we hand in hand go on.

3 The gift which he on one bestows
we all delight to prove;
the grace through every vessel flows,
in purest streams of love.

4 And if our fellowship below
in Jesus be so sweet,
What height of rapture shall we know
When round his throne we meet.

Benediction & Blessing:

May the Source of life hold you in the faith;
the Word of life speak clearly in truth around you;
and the Breath of life, of grace, of wisdom,
sing in your inmost being this day and all your days.

And the blessing of God Almighty:
Lover, Beloved and Spirit of Love
be upon you and remain with you always.

3-fold-Amen

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