



24th October 2021 Yr B Pentecost 22

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 us
and all around us.

Christ Candle:

We light this candle to remind us of the light of Christ;
A light that darkness has not overcome
A light that shines in each one of 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:

Creator of all, God, we open ourselves to the gift of all Creation.

Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you.

Loving Christ, we open our arms to your love and your healing.

Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you.

Holy Spirit, come fill us with your power and your grace.

Jesus Christ, Beloved of God, have mercy on us, for we need you.

We worship in gratitude, in trust and in joy. Alleluia!

Opening Prayer:

Blessed are you, Creator of all,

to you be praise and glory forever.

As your dawn renews the face of the earth

bringing light and life to all creation,

may we rejoice in this day you have made;

as we gather together from our different places,

open our eyes to behold your presence

and strengthen our hands to do your will,

that the world may rejoice and give you praise.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Song: Amazing Grace (TIS 129)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,

that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,

was blind, but now I see.

As grace first taught my heart to fear

so grace my fears relieved;

how precious did that grace appear

the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares

I have already come:

God's grace has brought me safe thus far,

and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Prayer of Confession:

We come to God, in our humanness, knowing that we are loved just as we are. So, in this knowledge we are confident to pray:

In the stopping, in the pausing, in the quiet,
we cannot avoid what we are not:
Our faults, our lack of faith,
our lack of vision and of action,
our lack of trust – all bubble to the surface.
You, Loving God, see who we are
and you love us – offering us hope
and above all, forgiveness.

A silence is kept

Empowering God,
You empower us to be our better selves.
You help us to understand how much we are loved.
You see in us our potential for good,
You give us gifts and strengths, which we can develop and grow.
Help us to see ourselves and each other in the way you do.
Empower us to be confident in the gifts you give us -
your grace, and the ability to share your love.
Empower us to work for good in all people and all the world.
This we pray in the name of the One whose name is love
Amen.

Words of Assurance:

God is love. Everyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in them.
(1 John 4:16)

Hear then Christ's words of grace to us:
"Your sins are forgiven"

Thanks be to God

Peace:

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

Song: Jesus shall reign where'er the sun (TIS 207)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise
with every morning sacrifice;

Let every creature rise and bring
the highest honours to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen.

Moment for the young at heart:

Bible Reading:

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Then Job answered the Lord:

²“I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

³‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

⁴‘Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you declare to me.’

⁵I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;

⁶ therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.”

¹⁰ And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. ¹¹ Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money^[a] and a gold ring. ¹² The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. ¹³ He also had seven sons and three daughters. ¹⁴ He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. ¹⁵ In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. ¹⁶ After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. ¹⁷ And Job died, old and full of days.

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher,^[q] let me see again.” ⁵² Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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**

Giving thanks and signs of hope: The congregation share good news

Community News:

Offering Prayer:

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

God of great gifts,
we make our offerings, small and large,
with the hope and confidence
that all we do,
all we offer
and all we hope
will take root in this world
and be the source of new expressions
of your love, justice and reign.
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven
through us,
alongside us,
despite us,
and for us.

Amen.

Song: The church is one foundation (TIS 457)

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord:
she is his new creation
by water and the word;
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses
with every grace endued.

Yet she on earth has union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give to us the grace
like them, the meek and lowly,
in heaven to seek your face.

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 may Almighty God bless you;
Creator, Christ and Spirit

be upon you and remain with you always

Amen

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