

PENTECOST 11 yr C Sunday 21st August 2022

Leader: Ron Brown / Greeter: David

#### Welcome:

Welcome to the 11th Sunday after Pentecost. We welcome Jen Richardson this morning who will share the reflection with us.

## Greeting:

May the light of the Lord be with you

# And also with you

#### Moment of Stillness:

As we begin our service, let 's take a moment to be still and aware of God's presence within and all around us.

#### **Christ Candle:**

In this season of Light, we light this candle to remind us of God's light shining in the darkness. May we carry this light of hope, peace, and justice

to the world around us every day.

### Acknowledgement First Peoples:

As we gather to worship God, 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:

Come, all you who are struggling.

Come, all you who are crippled by pain and suffering.

Come to worship a God who heals your pain.

Come to worship a God who gives forgiveness.

Let us worship God, who sets us free and gives us new life!

## Opening Prayer.

God the Spirit, Teacher and Comforter: when we are afraid and can only whisper our fear,

you bend your ear to listen to us.

When everyone acts as if they can't remember our name,

you know us as your Beloved.

When we cannot seem to tell others all that you have done for us, you put the Word into our mouths.

And we tremble with praise.

As You alone give all good things seen and unseen.

In You alone we put our hope.

#### Amen

# Song: Come let us bow,

1.Come let us bow, let us kneel before our Maker For He is our God, and we are His people Come let us bow, let us kneel before our Maker For He is our God, and we are the flock of His care

#### Chorus:

Come let us sing to the Lord
Let us sing for joy to the Rock
Let us come to Him with thanksgiving in our hearts
And extol His name with our song

2.Our Lord and God is the King above all Gods With His hands He has formed all of creation All the seas are His All the mountains He has fashioned Let us bow before our King Let us kneel before the maker of all

#### Chorus:

Come let us sing to the Lord Let us sing for joy to the Rock Let us come to Him with thanksgiving in our hearts And extol His name with our song

We will give praise
We will adore Him
We will bow down to the Lord x4

End: We will extol His name with our song.

# **Song: Cornerstone**

1.My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name (REPEAT)

ch.Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all.

2.When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale

My anchor holds within the veil My anchor holds within the veil

3.When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless stand before the throne

## Prayer of Confession:

Yet once more, we come to you with our prayers, Holy God.

Our crippling spirits keep us from following you.

Our grudges weigh us down until we cannot walk straight in your way.

Our anger becomes a fire which scorches our friends and loved ones.

Our fears blind us to the goodness in those we believe to be different.

Forgive us, and set us free from our wrong-doings and failures.

From the day of our birth, we have known your love, grace, and hope. So may we offer you our joyful thanks, as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, reaches out to touch us with your healing forgiveness, yet once more.

#### **Amen**

#### Words of assurance:

God chooses not to turn a deaf ear to us, but to listen to our prayers.

God chooses not to shame us, but to save us.

This is, indeed, good news for us!

We are set free to drink deeply from the waters of life.

Thanks be to God!

#### **Amen**

#### Peace:

May the peace of the Lord be always with you

## And also with you.

Let's share Christ's peace with one another.

# Song: TIS 596 - Fill my whole life, O Lord my God

1 Fill my whole life, O Lord my God, in every part with praise, that my whole being may proclaim

your being and your ways.

4 Fill every part of me with praise: let all my being speak of you and of your love, O Lord, poor though I be and weak.

5 So shalt you, Lord, receive from me the praise and glory due; and so shall I begin on earth the song for ever new.

6 So shall no part of day and night from sacredness be free; but with you, Lord, in every step, my fellowship will be.

## Moment for the young at heart: Brian Lenehan- Family Tree

**Bible Readings: Milton Reid** 

Jeremiah 1:4-10

#### Jeremiah's Call and Commission

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." 7 But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';

for you shall go to all to whom I send you,

and you shall speak whatever I command you.

8 Do not be afraid of them.

for I am with you to deliver you,

says the Lord."

9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.

10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

#### Luke 13:10-17

## Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. 11 And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was guite unable to stand up straight. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." 13 When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. 14 But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." 15 But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? 16 And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" 17 When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

### Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection: Jen Richardson

Moment of Stillness

**Prayers of the People: Owen Williams** 

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:

Community News: The congregation share good news

## Offering Prayer:

We welcome these gifts with thanksgiving, Loving God. May we share these gifts with grace, so others might be touched by your love, healed by your touch, fed and nourished by your compassion and the fruit of your creation.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

## Song: TIS 533 - I come with joy to meet my Lord

1.I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord, Forgiven, Loved, And Free; In Awe And Wonder To Recall His Life Laid Down For Me.

4.And Thus With Joy We Meet Our Lord; His Presence, Always Near, Is In Such Friendship Better Known: We See And Praise Him Here.

5.Together Met, Together Bound, We'll Go Our Different Ways; And As His People In The World, We'll Live And Speak His Praise.

# Benediction & Blessing:

Having been welcomed with grace, let us go out this day. We go to serve all of God's children, deciding to meet them where they are.

Having listened to God's Word,

Let us go to share what we have learned.

Let us go to stand with those who are uncertain about life,

to walk with those who have stumbled on their journey. Having been set free by the Spirit let us go to be siblings with all, to release those bound by cruelty and injustice and to bring healing to those crippled by fears.

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

### **Threefold Amen**

Pastoral Prayers: Brian & Christo