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Processional Hymn: Oh Lord hear my prayer (TIS 741)

Oh, Lord hear my prayer
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When I call answer me
Oh, Lord hear my prayer
Oh, Lord hear my prayer
Come and listen to me
(repeat)

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 is always present with us
A light that darkness has not overcome
A light that shines in each one of us.

Acknowledgement First Peoples:

This is God's land and God's Spirit dwells here.
As we gather to worship God,
we acknowledge that we were not the first people that God put in this place.
We acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people,
the traditional owners of this land.

**We honour them for their custodianship of this land.
We pray that through God's Spirit, we might be people of reconciliation.**

Call to Worship:

God who gave us the creation to play in
With rolling landscapes of delight,
with wonders of earth and sea
and endless discoveries of beauty
We worship you

God who made us in infinite diversity,
with all the vivid colours of our differences,
all the magic of our unknowns
to be explored and celebrated
We worship you

God who in your being
carries the One who loved to feast with friends,
who sat in silence on the mountain tops alone,
whose Spirit dances in all the earth
We worship you in Spirit and in truth

Opening Prayer:

Source of grace and peace,
you call us into being

and we praise you.
You keep us and hold us in life
and we thank you.
Be with us now.
Bring us into your presence.
Comfort our pain.
Challenge our pride.
Enter into our prayer and our praise,
as we worship you
We pray these things
in the name of the one who loved us first, Jesus Christ
Amen

Hymn: For the fruits of all creation (TIS 168)

For the fruits of all creation,
thanks be to God;
for the gifts of every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
in our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,

thanks be to God.

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.

O God, if we have taken your gifts for granted and exploited them or used more than we need

Forgive us

If we have chosen to live driven lives, refusing to stop and receive your peace and rest, rushing past the delights you planned for our healing

Forgive us

If we have failed to receive with hospitality the strangers among us who are never strange to you

Forgive us

For all the times we have separated ourselves from you as individuals and as a community,

Forgive us and open our hearts to your grace

Help us, hold us, grow us, change us.
Rekindle a spirit of love and humility within us,
In Jesus name we pray

Amen.

Words of Assurance:

The grace of God is infinite and free.
Rise up and live in faith and hope.

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.

Let's share Christ's peace with one another

Hymn: Take my life – (TIS 599ii)

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my will and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love: my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Moment for the young at heart:

Bible Reading:

Jeremiah 31:27-34

²⁷ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸ And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. ²⁹ In those days they shall no longer say:

“The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children’s teeth are set on edge.”

³⁰ But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of the one who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

Mark 1:16-20, 35-39

¹⁶ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ Immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him

³⁵ In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷ When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” ³⁸ He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also, for that is what I came out to do.” ³⁹ And he went throughout all Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection: Judith Townsend

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 peace.
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven
through us,
alongside us,
despite us,
and for us.
Amen.

Hymn: Praise my soul – (TIS 134)

1 Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise the everlasting king!

2 Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress;
praise him still the same as ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
glorious in his faithfulness!

3 Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
widely as his mercy flows!

4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish,
blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise the high eternal one!

5 Angels, help us to adore him,
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise with us the God of grace!

Benediction & Blessing:

May God the Great Creator,
go on creating within us,
Christ Jesus be our company
and the Holy Spirit surround us
with eternal grace.

And may Almighty God bless you;
Creator, Christ and Spirit
be upon you and remain with you always

3-fold Amen

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