SUNDAY MAY 25, 2025

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25th May 2025 – Easter 6, Yr C

Greeter: Betty

Leader: David

Meditation Song: TIS 721 He became poor

(please remain seated)

He became poor, that we may be rich Loving the world and leaving his throne King of all kings and Lord of all lords Flesh of our flesh and bone of our bone

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Welcome David

Greeting:

May the Risen Christ be with you And also with you

Christ Candle:

Christ, the light of the world Christ, the hope for all nations Christ, the Risen Crucified One You dwell with us now

Moment of Stillness

Acknowledgement of First Peoples:

As we look upon the hills and valleys, we see the love poured out upon this land by those who have cared for it since time beyond measure. We are thankful for and honour those Aboriginal peoples who have gone before and those who are yet to come.

May we remember the call God places on humanity to care for Creation.

May we take the lead from the Gadigal and Wangal people, whose stories are entwined with the stewarding of this place. May we learn from them and walk with them towards justice and renewal.

Call to Worship: David

Psalm 67 (The Inclusive Bible)

1 O God, show us kindness and bless us, and make your face smile on us!

2 For then the earth will acknowledge your ways, and all the nations will know of your power to save.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you!

4 Let the nations shout and sing for joy, for you dispense true justice to the world you guide the nations of the earth!

5 Let the peoples shout and sing for joy;

let all the peoples praise you!

6 The land has given its harvest: God, our God, has blessed us.

7 May God bless us, and may God be revered even to the ends of the earth!

Hymn: TIS 111 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation
 O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation
 Come all who hear
 Brothers and sisters draw near
 Praise him in glad adoration

2. Praise to the Lord who in all things is wonderously reigningAnd, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustainingHave you not seenAll that is needed has beenSent by his gracious ordaining?

 Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding Who, when the godless do triumph, our best hopes confounding Sheds forth his light Scatters the horrors of night Saints with his mercy surrounding

4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!All that has life and breath, come now with praises before himLet the AmenSound from his people againGladly for ever adore him

Prayer of Confession: David

In our prayer of confession, we trust that no matter what we do or don't do, this story ends with love. So, in this knowledge, let us make our confession, beginning with a short time of silence:

Silence

Let us pray our confession together:

Merciful God,

Our maker and the one who brings justice We have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and deeds We have not loved you with our whole heart We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves We are sorry for all the ways we have failed to live in your light God, our loving parent, forgive us Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life In the name of Christ, in whom we live and breathe and have our being

Amen

Words of Assurance:

Friends, hear these words to be true God is full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love You are loved You are forgiven You are held in grace

Thanks be to God for such amazing love! Amen

Peace:

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

Moment for the young at heart: Brian

Bible Reading: Christo

Rev 22:1-5

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We therefore set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Hear the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Reflection: Helen

Moment of Stillness

Prayers of the People: Chris W The Lord's Prayer: Chris W

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

Hymn: TIS 665 Jesus Christ is waiting

1. Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets No-one is his neighbour, all alone he eats Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too Make me, friend or stranger Fit to wait on you

2. Jesus Christ is raging, raging in our streets Where injustice spirals and real hope retreats Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too In the Kingdom's causes, let me rage with you

3. Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets Curing those who suffer, touching those he greets Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too Let my care be active, Healing just like you

4. Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets Where each sign of hatred, he, with love defeats Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too Where good conquers evil, let me dance with you

5. Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets'Who will join my journey?I will guide their feet'Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be fewWalk one step before me, I will follow you

Community News - Helen

Offering Prayer: David

God of great gifts, we joyfully give these gifts to you, a tangible chorus of thanksgiving, a harmony of hope for your kingdom come.

Amen.

Hearing from our children - David

Song: Into the Deep (Roxanne McLeod)

1.From different streams of life we come drawn to the Source of living hope ready to trust in the depths of God's love abandoning fear, God's calling us near

Chorus

And so we will go into the deep where we will find our place with those who believe the shallows behind, together we'll be immersed in God's grace, carried by love, into the deep

2.We will find peace in the mystery of faith
Living our lives in joyful praise
ready to dive in the depths of God's grace
surrendering all, we follow God's call *Chorus*And so we will go into the deep
where we will find our place with those who believe

where we will find our place with those who believe the shallows behind, together we'll be immersed in God's grace, carried by love, into the deep

3.Here in the deep we are never alone as we declare one faith, one hope learning from those who have gone here before welcomed to be in God's family

Chorus

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Benediction & Blessing: David

Go now to love and to serve with praise spilling from your lips with peace guarding your minds and resurrection stirring in your hearts

And the blessing of God Almighty Creator, Christ and Spirit Be upon you and remain with you always

3-fold-Amen

Pastoral Prayers: David

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