

SUNDAY OCTOBER 26, 2025

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<i>Pastoral Prayers</i>	<i>Alison</i>



Sunday 26th October 2025 – Pentecost 20 Yr C

Dedication of Samuel Grey

Greeter:* *Betty

Leader:* *Helen

Meditation Song:* *A new commandment (TIS 699)

(please remain seated)

A new commandment I give unto you
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this will others know that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another;
by this will others know that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.

(repeat)

Welcome: *Helen*

Greeting:

May Christ be with you
And also with you

Christ Candle:

Christ, the light of the world!
Kindle the flame of faith in our hearts
As we come to you fragile, vulnerable, in need of You

Moment of Stillness

Acknowledgement of Country:

Here is the land (*touch the ground*)
Here is the sky (*reach up to sky*)
Here are my friends (*gesture to friends in the room*)
And here am I
(*gesture towards self with both hands, leading to arms over heart*)

**We live, play and pray,
On Wangal Land
Together, we walk hand in hand**
(put your hands together and clap)

We'd like to say thank you
(sign thank you by touching your hand to your chin and moving it forward)
**For letting us share
The land and waters that you love**
(touch hands to heart)
We promise to take care.

***Call to Worship:* Helen**

Today is a day for celebration!
Today, God reminds us of the miracle of life
Today, we remember we were once all children
And we come running once more
To the arms of God
Whose essence is Love

So come, join in the worship
Not because you have it right
Not because you have lots to say
Not because anything in particular is required of you
Come, simply because a God of Love invites you here
And meets you with grace

Hymn: TIS 654 When Love Is Found

When love is found and hope comes home
Sing and be glad that two are one
When love explodes and fills the sky
Praise God and share our Maker's joy

When love has flower'd in trust and care
Build both each day, that love may dare
To reach beyond homes warmth and light
To serve and strive for truth and right

When love is tried as loved-ones change
Hold still to hope, though all seems strange
Till ease returns, and love grows wise
Through listening ears and opened eyes

When love is torn and trust betrayed
Pray strength to love till torments fade
Till lovers keep no secret score of wrong
But hear through pain love's Easter song

Praise God for love, praise God for life
In age or youth, in calm or strife
Lift up your hearts! Let love be fed
Through death and life in broken bread

Prayer of Confession:

Let us make our confession, beginning with a short time of silence:

Silence

When we offer God our confession, we join the beautiful work of reconciliation, which begins with a God who reconciles. Trusting in this God of Grace, let us make our confession, beginning with a short time of silence...

Silence

Holy God, Creator of all that is,
Giver of Grace, and Giver of Life, hear our prayer.
There are chasms in our lives, as individuals and as communities;
deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You.
We confess that we have allowed these rifts to grow,
for fear of admitting our part in the separation,

for fear of being rejected when we reach out.
You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships,
to a wholeness with each other and with You.
Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations.
Through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray.

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.
Amen

Peace: Helen

In a world crying out for peace,
We are reminded to be a people of peace
May we practice what we preach
And extend our hands as an offering of peace
In this place and beyond these walls

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

Sharing of the peace

Moment for the young at heart: Emma

Bible Readings: Milton

Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed,
2 O you who answer prayer!
To you all flesh shall come.
3 When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.
4 Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
your holy temple.
5 By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
6 By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.
7 You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of
the peoples.
8 Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make
the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.
9 You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full
of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.
10 You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with
showers, and blessing its growth.
11 You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with
richness.
12 The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy;
13 the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves
with grain; they shout and sing together for joy.

Luke 18:9-14

9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: **10** "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. **11** The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. **12** I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' **13** But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' **14** I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection: *Helen*

Moment of Silence

Service of Blessing for Samuel: *Helen*

Song: TIS 491 - Father Welcomes

Refrain

Father welcomes all his children
To his family through his Son
Father giving his salvation
Life forever has been won

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

Refrain

Father welcomes all his children
To his family through his Son
Father giving his salvation
Life forever has been won

2. 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

Refrain

Father welcomes all his children
To his family through his Son
Father giving his salvation
Life forever has been won

Prayers of the People: David

The Lord's Prayer: David

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

Community News – Helen

+ including Belinda sharing

Hearing from our children - Helen

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
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

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

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Benediction: Helen

Go from this place
To live your faith in action
Do justice, love mercy

And walk humbly with your God

And may God, who is Love overflowing
Creator, Christ and Spirit
Be with you now and remain with always

3-fold-Amen

Pastoral Prayers: Alison

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