

Kardlayirdi Karnungga The light on the hill Brougham Place Uniting Church

August 27, 2023 Pentecost 13

Preacher: Susy Plein

We acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional carers of the land on which our church is built.

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of the Candles and Introit

O Love of God – Sydney Nicholson - Together in Song 139 (Tune 405)

### Call to Worship

Jesus is the King of Kings. Jesus is the Prince of Peace. Jesus is the Wonderful Counsellor. We gather here to Worship God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen

We Sing: For the Beauty of the Earth

- For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.
- For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, *Refrain*
- 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, *Refrain*
- 4. For the church that evermore, lifting holy hands above, offers up on every shore, the pure sacrifice of love, *Refrain*

Together in Song 137. Folliott Sandford Pierpoint 1835-1917 alt. Public Domain.

Prayer of Confession

Affirmation

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our God be with you. And also with you.

**Musical Interlude** 

Eliza and Helen Harris

Community News and Notices

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Song: Getting to Know You

Choir Only - Sing once through.

As we learn, about you today As you learn, about us today As we learn, together on the way God is here with us to-day.

Getting to know you conversation with Linda

We Sing – Congregation sings twice.

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> Tune from Love and Anger song 70. African American traditional. © . Wild Goose Resource Group. Words M Harris

Children's Time

Children may go downstairs for Sunday School. Parents, you are welcome to join your child in Sunday School if you feel your child may need your assistance. Alternatively, you may wish for your child to remain with you for the duration of worship. Activity packs are available at the entrances.

Choral Anthem:

I Got a Home on that Rock – trad. spiritual arr R Nairn

Bible Reading: Romans 12: 1-8

# The New Life in Christ

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Bible Reading: Matthew 16: 13-20

### **Peter's Declaration about Jesus**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of Christ, Light of the world. Thanks be to God.

We Sing: Jesus, Name Above All Names

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord; Emmanuel, God is with us blessed Redeemer, living Word. (Sing twice)

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Sermon

We Sing – Jesus Asks

- Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am" Blossom of freedom in repression's dark vale, lover of justice and friend of the poor.
- Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am?" Beam of hope shining in the night of despair, guiding and tending all those who are lost.
- Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am?" Maker of peace in the destruction of war; to all who suffer, the Giver of Life.

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#### Prayers of the People

THE LORD'S PRAYER

...And now with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us saying:

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 from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

We Sing: Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

 Jesus calls us here to meet him as, through word and song and prayer, we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care. Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

- Jesus call us to confess him Word of Life and Lord of All, sharer of our flesh and frailness saving all who fail or fall. Tell his holy human story; tell his tales that all may hear; tell the world that Christ in glory came to earth to meet us here.
- Jesus calls us to each other: found in him are no divides. Race and class and sex and language such are barriers he derides. Join the hand of friend and stranger; join the hands of age and youth; join the faithful and the doubter in their common search for truth.

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Sending Forth and Benediction

Choral Blessing:

Depart With the Peace of God – Tim Tscharke

Postlude

Come and share morning tea together, downstairs in the basement. There are stairs behind the organ and a ramp between the church and the car park leading to the basement.

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