

Brougham Place Uniting Church October 27, 2024 Preacher: Rev Linda Driver ... Pent 23 (30). Green Kardlayirdi Karnungga A Light on the Hill

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

Welcome! As you wait for worship to begin, please turn your phone to silent.

Prelude

Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country

Naa marni? (Are you all good?) Marni Ai! (Good I am)

Introit and Lighting of the Candles

From Heaven You Came (Together in Song 256. G Kendrick)

Psalm – Psalm 34: 1-8 (The Message)

I bless God every chance I get; my lungs expand with his praise.

I live and breathe God; if things aren't going well, hear this and be happy: Join me in spreading the news; **together let's get the word out.**

God met me more than halfway, he freed me from my anxious fears. Look at him; give him your warmest smile. Never hide your feelings from him. When I was desperate, I called out, and God got me out of a tight spot. God's angel sets up a circle of protection around us while we pray.

Open your mouth and taste, open your eyes and see - how good God is. Blessed are you who run to him.

Call to Worship

We come to praise our God. We bless God, who walks with us. God surrounds us in all our senses: taste and see that God is good! We come to praise our God. O God, we worship you!

Opening Prayer

Come, Spirit of God, meet us in this place. Come, word of God, break open our hearts. Come, Creating One, gather us to you. **Amen.** We sing: All Are Welcome (All Belong)

Choir sings:

Refrain All are welcome in this place. Behold Love's amazing grace. All are welcome! All are welcome! Bring your hopes, bring your dreams. Mercy flows and Love redeems! All are welcome! All belong!

 Welcome, all the broken-hearted, All who sorrow and despair. You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!

Please stand and join in

Refrain

- Welcome, all who suffer violence, All who long for safety and for peace. You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!
- Welcome, all who are forgotten, Excluded and dignity denied! You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!
- Welcome, all who work for justice, Bringing hope, charity and peace! You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!

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Prayer of Confession

Words of Grace

You are called to be God's people. You are called to comfort those who mourn. You are called to work for justice. You are called to live with awe and wonder. You are called to be Christ's body. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

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

Community News and Notices

<u>Go to our website to view current or previous issues of BP E-news</u> and to sign up to receive BP E-news by email.

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.

Anthem

Take My Life (Together in Song 599 (i) A. Wilson)

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here."

And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."

So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?"

The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well."

Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Message

Prayer: Let Me See

Open the eyes of my heart to see your grace in every moment, to see with hope and gratitude, with trust and humility.

Teach me to look with my mind as open as my eyes; teach me in every gaze to look and see as things really are, not as I already think they are,

not as fear (mine or anyone's) tells me to see, **but to see with grace as you see.**

Let me see with the eyes of love. **Teacher, let me see anew. Amen**

We sing: Be Thou My Vision

With alternate words

- Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart. Not be all else to me save that Thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night Waking or sleeping my treasure Thou art.
- 2. Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord Thou my redeemer my love Thou hast won Thou in my dwelling and I with Thee one.
- Riches I heed not nor vain empty praise Thou mine inheritance now and always Thou and Thou only first in my heart Great God of heaven my treasure Thou art
- Great God of heaven my victory won Now I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's sun Heart of my own heart whatever be fall Still be my vision O ruler of all.

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Prayers of the People

Response:

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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.

Offering



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Alternatively, there is an offering bowl near the lectern on your left at the front of the church.

Offering Prayer

We Sing: The Summons

Will you come and follow Me
 If I but call your name
 Will you go where you don't know
 And never be the same
 Will you let My love be shown
 Will you let My name be known
 Will you let My life be grown
 In you and you in Me

- Will you leave yourself behind If I but call your name Will you care for cruel and kind And never be the same Will you risk the hostile stare Should your life attract or scare Will you let Me answer prayer In you and you in Me
- Will you let the blinded see If I but call your name Will you set the prisoners free And never be the same Will you kiss the leper clean And do such as this unseen And admit to what I mean In you and you in Me
- 4. Will you love the you you hide If I but call your name Will you quell the fear inside And never be the same Will you use the faith you've found To reshape the world around Through My sight and touch and sound In you and you in Me

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Congregation Meeting Announcement and Musical Interlude

We Sing: The Summons

5. Lord Your summons echoes true When You but call my name Let me turn and follow You And never be the same In Your company I'll go Where Your love and footsteps show Thus I'll move and live and grow In You and You in me

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Sending Forth and Final Benediction

We go back out into the world to love and serve the world around us, just as this church fellowship has done for 165 years.

We go out, held in the loving arms of God who creates, redeems, supports, and sustains us.

We go, scaffolded with love. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Choral Blessing

The Peace of God (Rutter)

Extroit

The people may leave as the Extroit is played

We will not be having morning tea at Church today. You are encouraged to invite a friend or someone you'd like to get to know better for a coffee or lunch at a local café. This service has been prepared with assistance from Steve Garnaas-Holmes: *Unfolding Light* www.unfoldinglight.net L3 Liturgical Resource. Writer: Bec Lindsay

Gospel Reading: New Revised Standard Version (Updated Edition)





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