



# *Brougham Place Uniting Church*

*Photo by T Phillips*

*Epiphany 3 January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. 10.00 am*  
*Preacher: Trevor Phillips*  
*Liturgical Colour: Green*

*Kardlayirdi Karnungga*  
*A light on the hill*

*We acknowledge the Kurna 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

Lighting a candle of remembrance

Welcome

Niina marni!  
*(Are you all good?)*  
**Marni'ai!**  
*(Good I am)*

Acknowledgment of Country

## Lighting of the Candles

### Call to Worship:

Listen to the Stories, they are speaking to us. The Scriptures, the stories from our first and our second peoples. All are speaking to us.  
**Are we listening?**

They speak with authority and with hope.  
**We will listen.**

Do we have ears to hear? Space in our mind to quieten the business of life? A desire for the Holy Spirit to dwell within, afresh today.  
**Living God: Open our ears to hear, our eyes to see and our hearts to understand.**  
**Amen.**

### Prayer

### We Sing: *Glory*

#### *Chorus*

*Glory to the King of kings,  
Majesty, power and strength to the Lord of lords.  
Power and strength to the Lord of lords,  
power and strength to the Lord of lords*

1. Holy one, all creation crowns  
you King of kings,  
holy one, King of kings, Lord of lords, holy one!

#### *Chorus*

2. Jesus, Lord, with eyes unveiled  
we will see your throne,  
Jesus, Prince of Peace, Son of God, Immanuel!

#### *Chorus*

## Prayer of Confession

Eternal Light

**shine in our hearts;**

Eternal Goodness,

**deliver us from evil;**

Eternal Power,

**be our support;**

Eternal Wisdom,

**scatter the shadows of our ignorance;**

Eternal Compassion,

**have mercy on us;**

**that with heart and mind**

**and soul and strength**

**we may seek your face,**

**and be brought by your infinite mercy**

**to the Holy Presence;**

through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

## Passing of the Peace

May the peace of God be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Community News and Notices

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## 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.*

## Scripture Reading: *1 Corinthians 12:12-31*

### *One Body with Many Members*

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit, we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater Honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect, whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater Honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work powerful deeds? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

The Gospel of Christ, Light of the world.

**Thanks be to God.**

## We Sing: *Shout to the Lord*

My Jesus, my Saviour Lord, there is none like you;  
all of my days I want to praise  
the wonders of your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength,  
let every breath, all that I am,  
never cease to worship you.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth  
let us sing, power and majesty,  
praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar  
at the sound of your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;  
for ever I'll love you, for ever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you!

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## Sermon: Part 1



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## We Sing: *Be Thou My Vision*

1. Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart,  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father, thy child let me be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
3. Be thou my armour, my sword for the fight,  
be thou my dignity, thou my delight;  
thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower:  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
4. Riches I scorn and the world's empty praise,  
thou my inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and thou only the first in my heart;  
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of heaven, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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## Sermon: Part 2

## Offering



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## Offering Prayer

We offer these gifts, Lord,  
for the work of your Church  
and the welfare of your people;  
acknowledging with gratitude that we could give nothing  
if you had not first given to us.  
The money we have not brought today  
is also a trust from you.  
Help us to use all we have  
In accordance with your good will  
and for the glory of your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Loving God,

.... And so, we pray,

**Loving God inspire prophetic justice seeking people to challenge us  
to embrace life enhancing action.**

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**Empower us Jesus to co-work with you, embracing your values and  
your mission, so that all the children of the world may experience  
the will of God on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

## 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: *Christ Be Our Light*

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Refrain*

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.*

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

*Refrain*

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.

*Refrain*



4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others  
walls made of living stone.

*Refrain*

5. Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

*Refrain*

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## Sending Forth and Benediction

Extrait.

*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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