

St. Andrew's by the Sea Uniting Church
Christian Community in the Heart of Glenelg
Rev. Christine Gilbert



Ninth Sunday after the Pentecost
11th August 2019

“God uses broken things. It takes broken soil to produce a crop,
broken clouds to give rain, broken grains to give bread,
broken bread to give strength.”

—Vance Havner

GATHERING

Preparing the Space and Our Hearts

Call to Worship

*Hate has no world.
The people of hate must try
to possess the world of love,
for it is the only world:
it is Heaven and Earth.*

—Wendell Berry from *Sabbath Poems: 1993, IV*

Opening Prayer

Hymn

“Come Holy Spirit, come!”

(TiS 422)

<p>1 Come, Holy Spirit, come! in flame our souls with love, transforming every heart and home with wisdom from above. O let us not despise the humble path Christ trod, but choose, to shame the worldly-wise, the foolishness of God.</p>	<p>3 Give us the tongues to speak, in every time and place, to rich and poor, to strong and weak, the word of love and grace. Enable us to hear the words that others bring, interpreting with open ear the special song they sing.</p>
<p>2 Spirit of truth, arise; inspire the prophet’s voice: expose to scorn the tyrant’s lies, and bid the poor rejoice. O Spirit, clear our sight, all prejudice remove, and help us to discern the right, and covet only love.</p>	<p>4 Come, Holy Spirit, dance within our hearts today, our earth-bound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay; and teach us to desire all other things above, that self-consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love.</p>

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

ENCOUNTERING

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

May your word live in us:

and bear much fruit to your glory.

Reflection on the Word

RESPONDING

Prayers of the People

The Disciple's Prayer

*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.*

Collection and Offering Song

"Gift to the world"

We bring the gifts that you have brought us,
we sing the songs that you are teaching to us.

Take our lives, take our time, take our possessions;
make us your gift to the world,
make us your gift to the world.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Song "For everyone born"

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead.

Refrain:

And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!

For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair.
For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free.

Words: Shirley Murray

Narrative of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the God of Mercy and Love.

It is good to give our thanks and praise.

...We rejoice with all that you have made,
as we join the company of heaven in their song:

Singing: Holy! Holy! Holy! One God Almighty!

All your works shall praise your name

in earth and sky and sea!

Holy! Holy! Holy! Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is Christ who comes to set us free.

Blessing of the Bread and Cup

...The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

*(You are invited to come forward using the centre aisle
to receive the bread and cup of communion
and return to your seat using the side aisle.*

Please indicate if you wish to be served in your seat.)

Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have put your life in our hands,

now we put our lives in yours.

Inspire, encourage and invigorate us.

Irrespective of what we have been,

it is what, with you, we can be, starting from now.

For you live and reign with God

in the power of the Holy Spirit,

now and forever. Amen

JOURNEYING

Song “May our lives and our prayers be one”

Refrain:

May our lives and our prayers be one
as our hopes shape the roads we walk on.
And when our work and our dreaming's done
may our lives and our prayers be one.

Within the rhythm of our days
we take the time to muse and pray.
The fears we face, the tears we taste
we view in light of holy grace.

We name our deepest hopes and dreams
for those we love and all we need.
We picture how the world could be.
We live the change we want to see.

Words and music: Paul Somerville

Sung Benediction “May the kindness of our Lord, Jesus”

May the kindness of our Lord, Jesus
And the love of our God
And the friendship, and the unity
of the Spirit be with you.
Be with you.

Words and music: Andrew Dutney

Please gather for morning tea, in the hall after worship

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Christine on Annual & Study Leave

Christine will be on annual leave 16 – 30 August. The first week, she will be on retreat at The Abbey in Jamberoo NSW. Then from 26–29 August, she will be on study leave at the Living Well Centre (Spiritual Direction formation) in Melbourne.

Rev. Esmond Dowdy will join us in worship on 18 and 25 August when Christine is on annual leave. On 1 September, Rev. Ian Price, a retired Minister with a deep love for the UCA, will offer the Reflection on the Word. We look forward to welcoming them both.

Meeting of the Congregation

The Church Council has called for a Meeting of the Congregation on 27 October after morning tea. At this meeting, financials for 2019 will be presented along with the 2020 budget. We will also hold elections for new Church Council members, and Presbytery and Synod Representatives for 2020.

Conversations by the Sea

Gather with friends to explore what incarnational, missional, inward-outward gazing worship might look like in our context. The Centre for Music, Liturgy and the Arts (CMLA) is holding a creative worship event at St. Andrews on 7, 8, 9 October. The event will include daily worship, input from four extraordinary voices, creative art spaces, and a “big sing” in the evening. Consider attending the whole event or drop in to catch the vibe. See the CMLA webpage for more information.

Global Climate Strike

UCA President Deidre Palmer invites church members to join UnitingWorld and 350.org to take part in the #GlobalClimateStrike on Friday 20 September. Writing to UCA members and friends, Deidre says:

Climate refugees, widening deserts, polluted oceans, endangered animals and vanishing forests are signs of the suffering of our planet, and a cry for us to take compassionate action as disciples of Christ... We call on our Australian Government to enact climate change policy that recognises our contribution to the crisis facing our planet, and acts to effectively address the crisis and contribute to the healing of God’s Earth.

Deidre’s full statement and information about how to participate can be found on the table in the foyer or on the UnitingWorld website.

Robin Mann: 50 Years of Song

Robin Mann has been a leader in Australian Christian music for nearly 50 years. Songs like “Comfort Comfort” and “For you, deep stillness” are widely used in many churches. On 24 August, 7:00 pm at Concordia College Chapel, Robin will lead 25 of his songs with his wife Dorothy, Kindekrist and a band of angels. It’s a night to sing together, celebrate the faith we share, learn songs not yet known and get to know stories behind the songs. All money raised will support the education of refugee children in Africa via Australian Lutheran World Service Grace Project. Adults \$20, children \$10, family \$50. Tickets at the door or contact Robin on 0438 869 559.

Readings for Sunday 18th August 2019

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56

Rostered Duties

Prayers of the People:

Peta Thomas

Scripture Reader:

Chris Croucher

Morning Tea:

Janet Smith & Joy Dunning

Birthday Cake:

Kate Spyker

Welcomer:

David Brummitt

Side Door after Worship:

Chris Croucher

This Week at St Andrews:

The Church is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30 am to 3.00 pm.

Sunday:

10:30 am

Fellowship in the Hall

6:30 pm

Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

Monday:

10:00 am—11:30 am Ladies Sharing Group

Tuesday:

10:30 am—1:30 pm Op-Shop

11:00 am—1:00 pm Friendship Cafe

12:00 noon — 2:30 pm Community Aid

6:00 pm—7:30 pm Marys' Kitchen

Wednesday:

2:00—3:30 pm

Pastoral Partners

Thursday:

10:30 am—1:30 pm Op-Shop

11:00 am—1:00 pm Friendship Cafe

12:00 noon — 2:30 pm Community Aid

Friday:

12:00 noon — 2:30 pm Community Aid

Saturday:

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