

St Andrews, Glenelg 12/3/2023

Call to Worship: *(Psalm 95: 1-7a The Message)*

Come, let's shout praises to GOD,
raise the roof for the Rock who saved us!

**Let's march into his presence singing praises,
lifting the rafters with our hymns!**

And why?

**Because GOD's the best,
High King over all the gods.**

In one hand he holds deep caves and caverns,
in the other hand grasps the high mountains.

He made Ocean—he owns it!

His hands sculpted Earth!

So come, let us worship: bow before him,
on our knees before GOD, who made us!

**Oh yes, he's our God,
and we're the people he pastures, the flock he feeds.**

Prayer: *(based on Psalm 95: 7b-11 NRSV)*

Oh Lord, today we would listen for your voice.

Today we would open our hearts to you.

Let us not be like those who hardened their hearts,
who put you to the test,
who demanded proof
though they had seen your work.

Give us faith,

make us single-minded

and attentive to you;

until that day when we see you face to face
and enter into your rest.

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray,

Amen.

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Song: TIS 10 The Lord's my Shepherd

Reading: John 4: 5-42

Story of a Saint: Isaac Livermore

Song: TIS 407 Breathe on me Breath of God

Offering, offertory prayer.

We think of the offerings: brought in cash, transferred electronically, given as tangible items, performed in acts of service, and offered in any other way of giving; and we pray...*(from **Uniting in Worship**)*

We praise you, Lord Jesus Christ, for your generosity:
you were rich, yet for our sake you became poor,
so that through your poverty we might become rich.
With our praise, Lord, accept these gifts,
and use them for the enrichment of others
and for the glory of your name.
Amen

Prayers for others (including lighting of prayer candles)
(Perhaps play TIS 618 quietly during candle lighting?)

Song: TIS 618 What does the Lord Require?
(This song may need some learning.)

Reading: Romans 5: 1-11
Preaching of the Word
Prayer of Response

Song: TIS 215 You Servants of God

Sending out: *(based on Romans 5: 1 and 5.)*

*Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...**God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.***

Let us go, therefore,
and share the reconciling grace we have received
with those who don't yet know the extent of God's kindness.

**May the God of Love,
the Lord of Life,
and the Spirit of Peace meet us there.**

Amen.