

ORDER OF SERVICE: ST ANDREWS

11 February 2024



Welcome and Notices

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Pouring of the Water

Acknowledgement of First Peoples

We begin today by acknowledging the Kurna people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions.

Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you. AMEN.

(Source: Nancy C Townley, ministrymatters.com)

Opening prayer

God of light, you appeared in glory in Christ on the mountain. We open the eyes of our hearts now so that we may see Christ truly, and see you in your resurrection power. Open our eyes, that we may always see with faith your light within us, your glory among us, and the dawn of your hope that rises upon us. Amen.

Source: Steve Garnaas-Holmes, unfoldinglight.net

SONG: **Be Still** (refer to attached song sheet)

Reading: Mark 9: 2-9

SONG: **Christ be our Light** (refer to attached song sheet)

MESSAGE

SONG: **Born in the Night TIS 323** (refer to attached song sheet)

Prayers of the People

Offertory Prayer

THE LORD'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 for ever.*

Amen.

SONG: Love divine, all loves excelling TIS 217

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of Heav'n to earth come down;
Fix in us thy humble dwelling;
All thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

2. Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

3. Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in Heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

BLESSING

May the love which overcomes all differences
which heals all wounds
which puts to flight all fears
which reconciles all who are separated
be in us and among us, now and always, Amen.
And the blessing of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be upon you this day and for ever more. Amen.

(Source: Malcolm Doney, All Hallows on the Wall)

You are invited to light a candle as you leave the sanctuary.]

PREACHER FOR NEXT WEEK: Rev Dr Jonathan Barker