

Order of Service 24/07/2022 Pentecost 7

1. Prelude Slides

Opening verse:

He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name.

Luke 11:2a

2. Gathering, Greeting and Call to Worship

Helen

Good morning everyone, I am Helen, your Liturgist for today. Please take a seat, as we are about to start the service. I would like to thank you for continuing to wear your masks, although I know how uncomfortable it is to sing in them.

God speaks to us, calls us, here to church, or in front of a screen at home, we come together seeking, knocking, finding and renewing the woven fabric of our faith.

Now with Peter Blair, our preacher for today, the musicians, and everyone who helps to prepare the service, I ask you to stand as we bring in the Bible and sing our song of praise.

3. Song of praise, Loving Creator, TIS 465

*1. Loving Creator,
grant to your children
mercy and blessing,
songs never ceasing,
love to unite us
grace to redeem us –
Father in heaven,
Mother our God.*

*2. Jesus, Redeemer,
may we remember
your gracious passion,
your resurrection.
Worship we bring you,
praise we shall sing you –
Jesus, Redeemer,
Jesus our Lord.*

*3. Spirit descending
whose is the blessing,
strength for the weary,
help for the needy;
make us your temple,
born a new people –
Spirit descending,
Spirit adored.*

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4. Acknowledgement of Country

Helen

We acknowledge and respect
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation,
the traditional custodians of this land
since time immemorial.

We are learning that the land
is not ours to own, but to look after;
and that if we listen,
we may hear in it the calling of the eternal Spirit.

**Responding to this call, we commit ourselves
to work for justice, reconciliation,
and care of the earth.**

5. Welcome and Introduction

Helen

We welcome you to today's service, you may be an old friend or worshipping with us for the first time, but we hope you can stay after church and share morning tea with us in the hall. If you are watching online perhaps you can share a cuppa with the family.

Today we will hear the pared back version of The Lord's Prayer, Jesus taught his disciples, in Luke 11:1-13. And in Psalm 138 we listen to a prayerful song of praise from David. What is prayer? Is it a monologue, a conversation, or our shopping list? We are your people, gathered here, may our hearts and minds be open to hear what you are saying to us.

6. Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Helen

With O Lord hear my Prayer, TIS.741

SONG: [O Lord, hear my prayer](#), by Jacques Berthier,
from [Together in Song](#), Harper Collins *Religious*, WORD OF LIFE

Mother and Father of Creation,
we are astounded by the images we have seen from the Webb space telescope.
Astonished by infinite vastness of these moments in Creation.
And yet you think on us and we feel you close
in these small moments of our lives here on our blue planet.

Jesus teacher and friend you taught us how to live our lives,
weaving us together in a community of faith.
You taught us how to pray,
and opened our way to a new relationship with our God.

Spirit, breath of God
You are every breath we take.
God with us, our constant strength, help and comfort.

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer:
When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.*

Mother, Father, Jesus, Spirit, where do we start when we ask for forgiveness?
Forgive us our vast sins. For the murder of millions in wars, in ethnic cleansing,
in discrimination, in slavery and bigotry.

Forgive our neglect of your creation.
For the greed and selfishness that is contributing to global warming,
and the degradation of our land and the loss of our animals.
We cry to you but fail to recognize that we are the problem and can be the solution.

Forgive us our small sins.
For our faithlessness, our meanness, our selfishness,
for all the times when we don't love as you taught us to love.

Forgive us when our prayers are a monologue.
When we give you our shopping list of things we want
but fail to hear you or ignore your voice when you knock on our door of our hearts.

Holy three in one, in your faithfulness, keep knocking until we can't help but answer.

Word of Grace

Lord you taught us to pray and opened a way for new relationship with you, so that in Christ,
through Christ and because of Christ,
Our sin is forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

7. Gospel Reading – Luke 11:1-13

Mal/Ralph

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him,
'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:
Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say
to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have
nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already
been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell
you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least
because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door
will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and
for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child
asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a
scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much
more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

For these words of witness and for Christ the Word

Thanks be to God

8. With the Children

Helen, Peter

9. Song. Woke up this Morning with my mind on Jesus, NCH 85

*I woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu-jah!*

*Walking and talking with my mind stayed on Jesus
Walking and talking with my mind stayed on Jesus
Walking and talking with my mind stayed on Jesus
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu-jah!*

*Singing and praying with my mind stayed on Jesus
Singing and praying with my mind stayed on Jesus
Singing and praying with my mind stayed on Jesus
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu-jah!*

SONG: [I woke up this morning](#), from [New Century Hymnal](#), Pilgrim Press (June 1996), USA, PUBLIC DOMAIN

10. Psalm 138

Mal/Ralph

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down towards your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;
for you have exalted your name and your word
above everything.
On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;
but the haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand,
and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures for ever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

11. Reflection

Peter

12. Offering with Song – The Lords Prayer, Dave Brown

*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, as we forgive
those who sin against us.*

*Save us from the time of trial,
save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever,
for ever and ever.
Amen. Amen.*

SONG: [The Lord's Prayer](#), musical setting by Dave Brown © 2019 used with permission. Words: PUBLIC DOMAIN

Offering Prayer

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13. Mission Appeal **?**

14. Prayers of the People **Jim**

15. Notices **Helen**

16. Sending Song: Make me a Channel of your Peace, TiS 607

*1. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.*

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

*2. Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, let me bring your light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy. Refrain*

*3. Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.*

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17. Blessing and Sending **Helen/Peter**

18. Postlude sequence - Thank yous

Thank you for joining us, and thank you to...

Liturgist:
Helen Burnham

Bible readers:
Mal Rowe
Ralph Eduardo

Children's time:
Peter Blair
Helen Burnham

Reflection:
Peter Blair
(Olive Way Pastor)

Prayers of the People:
Jim Kilpatrick

Musicians:
Shawn Whelan
(co-ordinator)
Daniel Broadstock
Anthony Hinds
Catherine Leslie
Robert Sargent
Joanne Van Ravenswaaij

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19. Closing verse

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;

Psalm 138:1a