

Worship at Eden Uniting  
July 18, 2021 -  
Theme - *Travelling with us in love*

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Welcome &  
CALL TO WORSHIP

John 4:24  
God is spirit, and those who  
worship him must worship  
in spirit and truth.'

Ephesians 2:17-18

Jesus brought the Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far  
away from him, and peace to the Jews who were near. 18 Now all of us  
can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what  
Christ has done for us.

Matthew 11:28-30

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and  
I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I  
am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For  
my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

### **Opening Song - Come as you are**

(All songs can be found at <https://eden.uca.org.au/content-from-sunday-including-sermons/sunday-18th-july-travelling-with-us-in-love/> )

### **Ministry of the Word**

A prayer OF INVOCATION as we prepare to hear God's word:  
Our God, you have travelled throughout all existence.

And you meet us here again today.

Open our minds to your living presence for we long to know you  
more, to hear your word and understand it deeply in our souls.

God who meets us wherever we are,  
today, in the presence of your gathered family,  
we share in worship, prayer and song.

Praise to you, O God of every moment!

Eden Uniting Church  
acknowledges that we are on the  
traditional lands of Aboriginal  
people. We pay respect to the  
Yuin people, especially to their  
elders past and present, and  
recognise the continuing gift of  
their culture to the life and  
spirit of Australia.

Bible Reading - Eph. 2: 11-22

A Talk for Children & Youth - (And all young of heart) - Michael Palmer

Bible Readings - Psalm 89:30-37 & Mark 6:30-34 & 53-56

Sermon - Michael Palmer

Song 2 -

Notices - Michael

Prayers (**initially led by Michael**)

### **Prayer of Confession**

Let us pray:

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart,  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.

Father, forgive us.

Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Word of assurance from Ephesians 2:12-13

You lived in this world without God and without hope. 13 But now you  
have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God,  
but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

### **Prayer of Adoration and Thanksgiving**

Companion on our journey,

We thank you for our pathway with you.

Sometimes it is rocky and uneven.

At times there are mountains of awe and valleys of darkness and confusion. And yet, you honour us with your presence.

We sometimes are distracted by the pathway of rocks, heights and depths. Yet, today, we wish to give thanks, for it is us who turn from your face. Thank you for your constant presence as we wish to journey in your company.

### **Prayer of Intercession**

Journey Jesus, in your travels, you met people in need.

We pray for those in the world where healing needs to be present this week.

*Group prayers*

We pray for the people we have met this week in our daily journeys.

*Group prayers*

We pray for the people we wish to remember in our missional journey here.

*Group prayers*

We pray for the people in our church and ministry life.

*Group prayers*

We pray for those in our family and friends who need healing in their midst

*Silent personal prayer*

Journeying Jesus, as we travel each day,

Let us hold your wisdom and healing within our hearts to share with all whom we meet.

Conclude with the Lord's Prayer (*printed on page 4*)

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 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**

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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

In our travels, we gather so much. Let us be generous to the ministry of this place.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous One, help us to offer what we can, when we can; to know when we can share with resources, and to know when we can share with love. May what we bring be offered to build up our constantly changing ministry, as we travel as a church in the everyday world.

**Concluding song** - Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

God of the ancient, the now and the future continues to journey with us.

As God's children, let us enjoy this journey together!

Let us be open to the healing of each other and of the earth,

For we are the hands and feet of God in this place.

Let us also withdraw for time alone with God

And be honest with what we need. God grow in you deeper

understanding. Spirit grow in you richer listening to and seeing of those

in need. Jesus grow in you greater skills to minister to all whom you

meet. Go in peace to love and serve our God.

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