

Eden Uniting Worship Service

Sunday 5 July, 2020

Theme - Light and easy

We welcome everybody
to our service, wherever you are

Call to Worship

How are we coming to worship today?
Are we lugging a load of cares
and need a word of kindness?
Come, God is with us.

Acknowledgement of Country

St Georges Uniting Church,
Eden 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- Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

Song 1- Listen: Handel's Messiah - His yoke is easy, his burden is light.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WA7dXriLLGk>

Prayer of Invocation

Jesus Christ,
we come desiring to know how we might more fully live your way.
Open our minds to your word. Spirit of love,
we come receptive to how you might work in us.
Gather us into your compassionate grace. **Amen.**

Bible Reading: Romans 7: 15-25a

Prayer of Confession

God of grace, hear our prayer of confession:
We know at times we are our own worst enemies
and burden ourselves with troubles and stress.
We fail at the good things we want to do
and end up doing things which aren't your ways.
There are times when we get in the way of our own happiness.
We compare ourselves to others and forget to see ourselves through
your loving gaze. God of grace forgive us. **Amen**

Words of Assurance

Psalm 145:8-14 New International Version (NIV)

8 The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.
9 The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.
10 All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you.
11 They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might,
12 so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.
The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.
14 The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

Bible readings - Zachariah 9: 9-12

Song 2 - Come people of the risen King by Stuart Townend
(Words below)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNIP8Sy23XE>

Come, people of the Risen King
Who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace from the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in
*Refrain - Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*
Come, those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night
Come, those who tell of battles won and those struggling in the fight
For His perfect love will never change and His mercies never cease
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace
Refrain

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Song 2 - Come people of the risen King *(Continued from page 2)*

Come, young and old from every land
Men and women of the faith
Come, those with full or empty hands
Find the riches of His grace
Over all the world, His people sing
Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age:
"Our God is all in all"!

* Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!* (*-* Repeat)

Sermon - You Cannot Please Everyone! by Leone Fairweather

One way to respond in serving the Lord is in our Offertory
(Thank you everyone for your continues monetary giving)

Offertory Prayer

God of all,
may what we give today be instruments of goodness and kindness
that reach into the lives of those in need. **Amen.**

Song 3 - What a friend we have in Jesus

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8SCorW9r_Is

Prayers of Intercession

Today we are grateful for the goods things that come our way:
the companionship of friends,
the concern of neighbours,
this community and the warm relationships that grow within it.
We are thankful for the comfort that is offered to us
when we are in need:

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Prayers of Intercession *(Continue from page 3)*

the availability of nourishing food,
the natural world that is around us, the sun that lights our days,
and the moon and stars that blaze in the night sky.
whatever our situation,
may we provide good things to those around us:
to be a helping hand,
a kind voice, a listening ear, the provider of a meal,
an advocate for justice in times of trouble,
and a person that points toward the light.
As people of the Way, we pray. **Amen**

General Prayers for your concerns might be offered here

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

Concluding Song - It's no longer I that liveth -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0NLDZnKYbEI>

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

We are children of light.

Let us go to share the goodness and grace of the gospel with all people,
servants of the living God.

May the embracing goodness of the Spirit abide with us.

May God lead us toward a future of justice and joy.

May Christ, the risen one, travel with us. **Amen.**