



3 March 2024. 10.00 am  
Lent 3  
Preacher: Rev Linda Driver  
Liturgical colour: Purple

Brougham Place Uniting Church  
Kardlayirdi Karnungga  
A Light on the Hill

*We acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional carers of the land on which our church is built.*

Prelude

Welcome

Niina marni!  
**Marni'ai!**

Acknowledgment of Country

## Introit and Lighting of the Candles

*Colourful Creator.*

*Duck / Young. Together in Song 190*

### Call to Worship

*From Psalm 19*

The heavens are telling of the glory of God;

**we come together to proclaim it.**

In the wilderness, in the desert we cry out;

**our voice goes out through all the earth.**

We have been redeemed,

we have been liberated,

we have been brought into a new life;

**for we are God's own beloved.**

We gather together to worship.

### We Sing: *Come With Me*

1. Come with me, for the journey is long.  
Come with me, for the journey is long.  
Come with me, for the journey is long.  
Come with me, for the journey is long.

*Refrain:*

*The journey, the journey, the journey is long,*

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*The journey, the journey, the journey is long,*

*The journey, the journey, the journey is long.*

2. Sing with me, for the journey is long.  
Sing with me, for the journey is long.  
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*Refrain*

3. Pray with me, for the journey is long.  
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### *Refrain*

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## Prayer

### Prayer of Confession

A mystery and joy of our faith is this:  
we confess that in Christ Jesus we meet God-in-a-body.  
We give the name Emmanuel, God-with-us, Word-made-flesh.

In Jesus, we meet God-in-a-body.  
In Jesus, God affirms the words spoken at creation:  
that the world is good,  
that bodies are good,  
and that God cares for created material things.  
Gracious God,  
we are sorry for the times we devalued the creation  
and the bodies you love.  
Help us to care for bodies and for all created things,  
honouring and valuing what you have made.  
In the name of Christ, the word-made-flesh, we pray. Amen.

## Words of Grace

Hear then this Good News:  
In Christ, your sin is forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen**

## Passing of the Peace

May the peace of God be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Community News and Notices

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## Children's Time

*Children may go downstairs for Sunday School. Parents, you are welcome to join your child in Sunday School if you feel your child may need your assistance. Alternatively, you may wish for your child to remain with you for the duration of worship. Activity packs are available at the entrances.*

## Choral Anthem

*Jesus, Lamb of God, Redeemer.  
Elgar. Flexible Anthem 30. P132*

## Scripture Reading: *John 2:13-22*

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, with the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews then said,  
“This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of Christ, Light of the world.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*We Sing: Jesus Christ is Waiting*

1. Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets;  
no-one is his neighbour, all alone he eats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too.  
Make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.
2. Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets,  
where injustice spirals and real hope retreats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too.  
In the Kingdom's causes let me rage with you.
3. Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets;  
curing those who suffer, touching those he greets.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too.  
Let my care be active, healing just like you.
4. Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets,  
where each sign of hatred he, with love, defeats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too.  
Where good conquers evil let me dance with you.

5. Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,  
'Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.'  
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few.  
Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

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Together in Song 665*

## Offering



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## Offering Prayer

## Prayers of the People

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## Communion

### SETTING OF THE TABLE

### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to our God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you, all-holy God..

...We join together with the voices

of heaven and earth and all of creation, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy God, of all creation and life,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We remember...

... offering our hands in faithful service,  
and showing your love for all of creation.

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory is yours, God of Love,  
for ever and ever, Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray together in the words that Jesus taught us:

**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 forever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## THE COMMUNION



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you for this meal, God of love,  
and for welcoming us to this table.

**May our lives be strengthened to follow the example of Jesus,  
who called us to share love and to serve others.**

**May God's Spirit draw us closer  
so that we may be found**

**centred in God's grace, enfolded in God's love,  
and reflecting God's light into the world. Amen**

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## Sending Forth and Benediction

As you journey with God through Lent  
may you find the road that leads to life  
and pause to accompany others on the way.

May God take your hand as you go,  
Christ be your constant companion,  
and the Spirit guide you on the Way  
this day and for evermore. Amen.

## Choral Blessing

*Benediction Prayer.*  
*Lyn Sandy*

## Postlude

*Come and share morning tea together, downstairs in the basement.  
There are stairs behind the organ and a ramp between the church  
and the car park leading to the basement.*

*Some of the liturgy in this service is adapted from the work of:*

*Roddy Hamilton: Spill the Beans*

*Words for Worship, Mediacom Education*

*Bec Lindsay in Leadership, Learning and Purposeful Life (L3)*

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