

April 7, 2024. 10.00 am Easter 2 Liturgical colour: White

Kardlayirdi Karnungga A light on the hill

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

Prelude

Organ

Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country

Niina marni! Marni'ai!

Introit and Lighting of the Candles

Organ

Call to Worship

The world belongs to God, **The earth and all its people.**

How good it is, how wonderful, **To live together in unity.**

Love and faith come together, Justice and peace join hands. If Christ's disciples keep silent These stones would shout aloud.

Open our lips, O God, And our mouths shall proclaim our praise.

Opening Prayer

We Sing: Christ is Alive, with Joy We Sing

- Christ is alive, with joy we sing; we celebrate our risen Lord, praising the glory of his name. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- He is the grain of wheat that died, sown in distress and reaped in joy, yielding a harvest of new life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- He is the sun which brings the dawn: he is the light of all the world, setting us free from death and sin. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- He is the vine set in the earth, sharing our life, from birth to death, that we might share in God's own life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- He is the bread that comes from God, broken to feed us in our need, given to bring eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Prayer of Confession

Words of Grace

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our God be with you. And also with you.

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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.

Scripture Reading:

John 20:19-31

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Jesus and Thomas

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

The Purpose of This Book

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Acts 4:32-35

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

From this, shines forth the Word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Time of Sharing

We Sing: Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You

- Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
- We are pilgrims on a journey and companions on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
- I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
 I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

- 4. I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.
- When we sing to God in heaven we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
- Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

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Offering Prayer

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.

We Sing: Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

- Jesus calls us here to meet him as, through word and song and prayer, we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care. Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.
- Jesus calls us to confess him Word of Life and Lord of All, sharer of our flesh and frailness saving all who fail or fall. Tell his holy human story; tell his tales that all may hear; tell the world that Christ in glory came to earth to meet us here.

 Jesus calls us to each other: found in him are no divides. Race and class and sex and language such are barriers he derides. Join the hand of friend and stranger; join the hands of age and youth; join the faithful and the doubter in their common search for truth.

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Sending Forth and Benediction

Postlude

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