



## **Brougham Place Uniting Church**

June 15, 2025

Preacher: Rev Linda Driver

Trinity Sunday. White

## ***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.

*As you wait for worship to begin, please turn your phone to silent.*

Prelude

Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country

Naa marni? *(Are you all good?)*

**Marni Ai!** *(Good I am)*

We are gathering and worshipping on sacred land,  
and we praise the Creator for its beauty and its gifts.  
We acknowledge the First People's who have cared for this land,  
and honour the way they have lived from these deep connections.  
We acknowledge elders and communities—  
past, present, and emerging.

We name the First Peoples of this land:  
**The Kurna people.**

*Those online, please name the First Peoples of the land where you  
are located.*

**May God bless the First Peoples of this land, now and forever.**

We sing: *Come One, Come All*

Includes Candle Lighting

1. Let all the earth come join the song  
and join the dance for all belong  
creation beats with willing hearts  
so come on saints, let's play our part

*Chorus:*  
*Come one, come all*  
*to life that's whole*  
*come one, come all*  
*to love that's full*

2. The hills and rivers sound their praise  
and we join in for our God reigns  
come to the table eat your fill  
come rest by living waters still

*Chorus*

3. So take your place and know you're loved  
and spread the word, for there's enough  
to know our God and truly live  
creation was made for this

*Chorus x2*

4. So take your place and know you're loved  
and spread the word for there's enough  
to know our God and truly live  
creation was made for this

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## Opening Words

As we gather on this Trinity Sunday, we are invited to reflect  
on the mysterious and profound nature of God:

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit or  
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

Three distinct persons, yet united in perfect love.

## Call to Worship

Generous God,  
we know you as Creator  
**and come to worship you.**

Compassionate God,  
we recognise you in the person of Jesus the Christ  
**and come to worship you.**

Ever-present God,  
we sense you in the abundant Spirit of life around us  
**and come to worship you.**

## Opening Prayer

Triune God, Holy One,  
we cannot find words to describe your divine mystery,  
yet we reach out to know you in our lives.

**Draw near to us in this time of worship  
and reassure us of your loving presence among us, we pray.  
Amen**

## We sing: *God of Creation*

1. God of Creation, gentle life-giver,  
present at birth and all through our days;  
author of sunrise, song in the night sky  
here in this place, we offer our praise.
2. Jesus, companion, teacher and healer,  
friend of the grieving, suffering, the poor  
stand with your people, whisper among us  
promise of mercy, goodness for all.
3. Spirit of comfort, blow through creation,  
stir up new life, breathe peace through our world.  
Healer of hearts, and hope for tomorrow,  
weave all our sorrows into new dawn.
4. Here we give thanks for life in its fullness,  
blessings received, your gifts to us all.  
Make us a people filled with compassion,  
selflessly giving, serving your world.

*All Together All Right, 605.*

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## Psalm: *Psalms 8 (NLT)*

O Lord, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!  
Your glory is higher than the heavens.  
You have taught children and infants  
to tell of your strength,  
silencing your enemies  
and all who oppose you.

When I look at the night sky and see the work of your fingers—  
the moon and the stars you set in place—  
what are mere mortals that you should think about them,  
human beings that you should care for them?  
Yet you made them only a little lower than God  
and crowned them with glory and honor.  
You gave them charge of everything you made,  
putting all things under their authority—

the flocks and the herds  
and all the wild animals,  
the birds in the sky, the fish in the sea,  
and everything that swims the ocean currents.

O Lord, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth!

### Prayer of Thanksgiving and Confession

Creative Spirit of God,  
you have existed since before the beginning of time.  
Thank you for the wonders of creation—  
for the vastness of space;  
for the orbits of planets and stars from which we measure the  
passage of time,  
for the beauty and complexity of life on planet Earth.

We look to the skies for direction on land and sea.  
We look to you for understanding around what is good and true.  
We look within ourselves and know that you have more to teach us  
than we can understand.  
**Be patient with us when we are slow to listen and learn.**

You have entrusted us with the care of creation as stewards and  
guardians.  
**Remind us of your undeserved grace towards us when we act  
selfishly.**

You have accepted us and offer us peace;  
**encourage us by your loving Spirit when suffering depletes our  
stores of hope.**

*A short time of silence*

### Words of Grace

God calls out to each one of us with words of peace and love.  
Christ has brought us God's gift of grace.  
The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with God's love.

Take your stand, knowing that God has made you,  
God is for you,  
and God is with you.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## 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.

## We sing: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,  
early in the morning to you our praise shall be;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.
2. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,  
all your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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Scripture Reading: *John 16:12-15* (CEV)

"I have much more to say to you, but you can't handle it now. However, when the Spirit of Truth comes, he will guide you in all truth. He won't speak on his own, but will say whatever he hears and will proclaim to you what is to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and proclaim it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine. That's why I said that the Spirit takes what is mine and will proclaim it to you.

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

Message

We sing: *Draw the Circle Wide*

*Chorus:*

*Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide,  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide.  
No one stands alone,  
We'll stand side by side.  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide.  
(repeat)*

*Verse:*

*Draw the circle wide.  
Draw it wider still,  
Let this be our song  
No one stands alone!  
Standing side by side,  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide. (repeat)*

*Chorus:*

*Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide,  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide.  
No one stands alone,  
We'll stand side by side.  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide.*

*Bridge:*

*Draw the circle wide.  
Draw it wider still,  
Let this be our song  
No one stands alone!  
Standing side by side,  
Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide. (repeat)*

*Coda:*

*Draw the circle,  
Draw the circle wide.*

## Prayers of the People

### *Response:*

Open our eyes to notice them,  
**and help us to make room for them in our circle of love.**

## The Lord's Prayer

I invite you to join me in praying this paraphrase of The Lord's Prayer together:

**Most compassionate Life-giver,  
may we honour and praise you:  
may we work with you to establish  
your new order of justice, peace and love.  
Give us what we need for growth,  
and help us, through forgiving others, to accept  
forgiveness.  
Strengthen us in the time of testing,  
that we may resist all evil.  
For all tenderness,  
strength and love are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.**

## Offering



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Alternatively, there is an offering bowl near the lectern on the left-hand side as you exit the church.

## Offering Prayer

We bring our gifts today,  
along with all we have shared for good during the week:  
**accept our gifts and ourselves  
so all may thrive in your circle of grace and love. Amen.**



## We sing: *Immortal Invisible*

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blèssed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.
3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,  
in all life now living, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,  
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.
5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight  
what hides you is only the splendour of light;  
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,  
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

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## Sending Forth and Benediction

Go from this place knowing that  
the Triune God embraces you in a circle of love:  
God the Creator gives you space to be you;  
Jesus the Christ leads the way of truth;  
the Divine Spirit of Wisdom opens doors ahead of you.  
**We go with God in hope and faith. Amen.**

## We sing: *Creator (Father) Bless Us As We Go*

Creator, bless us as we go,  
Jesus, walk beside us.  
Holy Spirit, guide us.

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## Extroit

*It is appropriate to depart during the Extroit if you wish*

*Come and share morning tea together, in the basement.  
There are stairs behind the organ and a ramp between  
the church and the car park. All are welcome!*

*Thank you for joining us for worship!  
If you would like to get in touch or request a prayer,  
please make use of the Contact Cards in the pews and  
next to the Offering Bowl. Alternately, you can email our  
Minister, Rev Linda Driver: [lindad@bpuc.org](mailto:lindad@bpuc.org)*

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