



Order of Service
4th September 2022

Introit: 121 (TIS) 'God himself is present'

Acknowledgement of Country:

Call to Worship:

O Jesus Christ, you are the Word in the silence and in the chaos, the diversions and distractions, the Word spoken into our lives.
We come to you in faith.

O Jesus Christ, you are the One who is coming and the One already here, bearer of harmony and discord, beside us and beyond us.

We come to you in faith.

Let us worship God.

Hymn: 152 (TIS) **Joyful, joyful, we adore you'**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, we thank you for the richness of your way, for the rocks and the grassy flats, the torrents of its waters and the still pools of peace. We thank you for the refreshing newness of spring, for our rest in familiar places, for the heat of life's good passion and the coolness of the restful plains.

Thank you for all that you bring to us, O God. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

O God, when your word disturbs us, we are sometimes tempted to cover our ears. When it comes to us in strong challenges, and our hearts are afraid, we sometimes turn to sweeter sounds.

Lord, have mercy.

If we push away those who rock the boats of our lives, choosing tasty with those who reassure us and offer us calmer waters for living: Come to us in grace, Jesus Christ.

Christ have mercy.

When we avoid the roughness of the gospel road, when we fail to understand the sharp edges of new possibilities: Stay with us, Holy Spirit.

Lord, have mercy.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Jesus Christ has felt the toughness of the prophetic road, the costliness of walking it and the grief of its aloneness. We are never left without comfort and encouragement. We are forgiven as we do our very best to stay the course.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology: 771 (TIS) 'Now to him who loved us, gave us'

Readings

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

Luke 14: 25-33

Hymn: 425 (TIS) "Come, Spirit blest, our hearts inspire'

Message: 'The cost of discipleship'

- love Jesus more than anyone or anything else
- sacrifice all for Jesus
- renounce worldly possessions
- counts the cost of being a follower of Jesus
- Following Jesus is costly.



Hymn: 563 (TiS) 'Let him to whom we now belong

Holy Communion

Narrative of the institution of the Sacrament

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...And so we praise you with the faithful of every time and place, joining with choirs of angels and the whole creation in the eternal hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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 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 for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the bread

Lamb of God:

Jesus, Lamb of God,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

Grant us peace.

Communion:

Notices

Offering

Prayers of the people

Hymn: 530 (TiS) 'Now let us from this table rise'

Blessing

782 (TiS) 'Go now in peace'

