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'Serving God, serving each other, serving community'

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10.30am Morning Worship & Holy Communion The Revd Ian Griffiths

Church Stewards on duty: Malcolm Newton & John Hutton

Organist: Chris Greenough

A special welcome to any visitors joining us today

There is an **Open Prayer Book** in the Welcome Area for you to enter the name of any situation or person you wish to remember during the service. There is also a **Prayer Box** for requests which, for any reason, need to remain confidential, and each individual will be prayed for by name later in the week, and in confidence, by the Prayer Group.

Our **Jesus & Me (Children's) Group** meets today, and any new or visiting children are very welcome to join them. They will start in the Conduit Centre and return to Church towards the end of the Service.

Welcome & Notices

Time of Quiet

Call to worship

♪ **Jesus calls us here to meet him** **StF 28**

Prayer

♪ **God has spoken** **StF 157**

Reading

This is our faith's story
Reader: Cate Davis

Psalm 111
Thanks be to God

Reading

This is our faith's story
Reader: Ken Clark

Proverbs 3: 13 - 18
Thanks be to God

♪ **Breathe on me, Breath of God** **StF 370**

Sermon

Prayers

♪ **Before I take the body of my Lord** **StF 575**



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 thanks and praise.

Yes, it is right to give you thanks and praise, for the life you lived among us, speaking our language, learning our ways, sitting at our tables, listening to our complaints and never giving up on us.

Yes, it is right to give you thanks and praise for never compromising the truth by which you lived, for refusing to be swayed by popular opinion, for identifying the seductions of power, for confronting institutional prejudice and never selling your soul.

Yes, it is right to give you thanks and praise
for loving the unlovable, touching the untouchable, forgiving the unforgivable,
recognizing the gold beneath the dross, the potential beneath the pain,
and never taking the easier path.

Yes, it is right to give you thanks and praise
for in the face of our small-mindedness
you, Jesus, have shown us God and God's kingdom
in fascinating beauty and converting power.

So we gladly celebrate your life,
as in concert with the church in heaven and earth
we join in the song of your unending praise:

**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.**

Holy Jesus
it is not by virtue that we are here, but by your gracious invitation.
It is not to continue an ancient tradition but to be nourished by our living Lord.
It is not only to celebrate your presence among us,
but to catch a glimpse of heaven,
because, in this sacrament, you give us a foretaste of that heavenly banquet
where we will see you face to face and enjoy the freedom of eternity
when the limitations of earth are no more.

God our Maker, let your Holy Spirit
fill this bread and this wine with the fullness of Jesus
so that we, in stretching out our hands,
may receive through faith, food for our souls.

In the intimacy of this sacrament, as heaven and earth become one,
enable us to know you more deeply
and resolve to love, honour and serve you more faithfully in this world,
until your kingdom comes.

Amen.

Among friends, gathered round a table
Jesus took bread;
and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said,
'Take this and eat it,
It is my body. It is given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

Then, later
he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he said,
'In this cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death.
Take this all of you, to remember me.'

As we gather in this place,
we gather as invited guests to a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
we come as the invitation of Jesus

*When we are served with bread and wine,
I ask that we hold that bread or that wine until we are all served
and then we will eat and drink together.*



Let us pray,
We thank you Lord
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all.
Amen.

♪ **Now thank we all our God**

StF 81

Blessing

You are very welcome to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea
after today's service. Thanks to today's Coffee Rota volunteers:
Barbara Deakin & Olive Vaughan

Thanks to Torika Draumasei
for the flowers

There is NO Service Next Week at Trinity
We are invited to join our brothers & sisters at
All Saints Church at 10:30am
for their Service of Morning Worship
led by Revd Alan Grist