

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. We remember and we give thanks for such outpouring of love.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, O God, and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ - his life in us. Renewed by his life and recreated in his image, we set our minds on fulfilling your purpose for us and this world of which we are a part. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

#### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come, until you come again. Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### **AGNES DEI** Lamb of God

#### DISTRIBUTION

During communion the choir sings "*My daughters and my sons hear tell*"  
(*Words Tis 363; Music arranged by Anthony Greening from a melody proper to Eastertide (cf Liber Usualis 1875)*)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### **Hymn 609: "May the mind of Christ my Saviour"**

#### BENEDICTION

Go, strengthened by the power of God which raised Jesus Christ from the dead. And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be with you and upon you this day and every day. **Amen.**

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia Alleluia.  
**In the name of Christ Alleluia Alleluia**

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE:

*(You are invited to remain seated until the end of the postlude)*

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# The Auburn Newsletter

## Hawthorn Uniting Parish

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018

#### Service Today

10am Communion Service  
Rev Steve Crump

#### Next Sunday

10am Music in Liturgy

Welcome to all who worship at Auburn today.  
Please remain for tea or coffee in the church after the service.

### EASTER 3

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

INTROIT: *Surrexit Christus alleluia. Cantate Domino, alleluia*  
The Lord is risen. Sing out and praise the Lord. Alleluia  
(*The Taize community*)

CALL TO WORSHIP: How blessed are we when God, who created this world and all that is in it, listens to us in our distress and answers us when we call. So let us put our trust in God and celebrate the wonder of God's glory revealed in and through the risen Christ. Let us worship God.

#### **HYMN 675: "Shine, Jesus, shine"**

#### PRAYER OF APPROACH

Lord Jesus Christ, the light of your love shines on, illuminating the places where you are present. As the bewildered disciples pondered the stories of your appearance, you penetrated the darkness of their fear and doubt with your word of peace. You showed them the appalling marks of evil pierced on your hands and feet. You opened their minds to understand why you had to die to defeat such evil and death. Increase our understanding, we pray, and open our minds and hearts to receive you, Lord. Speak your word of peace to us and let your love shine on any dark areas in our lives.

#### Sunday Service

10 am weekly

#### Holy Communion:

monthly:

10 am: 3rd Sunday

#### Music in Liturgy:

monthly:

10 am: 4th Sunday

#### Morning Coffee

10.15am monthly  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in the  
Eileen Pawsey  
Room

#### Church Council:

7.45 pm monthly  
1<sup>st</sup> Wed in the  
Pawsey Room

#### Church Lunch:

12 noon in the Hall  
monthly 3rd Sunday

*NB: Dates and times  
may occasionally  
change documented  
in the pew sheet  
notices*

May this worship, which we offer in your name, be a worthy response to your love and your sacrifice for us. **Amen.**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we hear the story of Peter and marvel at the transformation that occurred in his life, enabling him to stand up fearlessly before people and proclaim the message of Christ, crucified and risen.

We confess that all too often, our attitudes reflect more of the Peter of Good Friday, than the Peter of Easter and Pentecost. We forget that Peter shows how surprising things happen when faith is put to the test.

**Forgive us if we don't expect surprises to happen in our journeys of faith - when we are more inclined to focus on our limitations rather than the limitless power of the Holy Spirit.**

Help us to remember how Peter demonstrates that guilty memories have been transcended by his relationship with the resurrected reality of Jesus.

**Forgive us if we find it difficult to move beyond any feelings of guilt to the forgiveness offered by Jesus.**

#### **KYRIE ELEISON** Lord have mercy

Help us to remember that Jesus gives us the same message that he gave his disciples - that repentance and forgiveness of sins are to be proclaimed in his name - to all nations - beginning right there with them. Easter is therefore the affirmation that Jesus came into the world not to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through him. So, hear the good news: "Those who are in Christ are a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, to whom we are reconciled through Christ, and who has given us the ministry of reconciliation." *(Based on 2 Corinthians 5:17,18)*

**Thanks be to God. Amen! Alleluia!**

#### **HYMN 230: "It passes knowledge, that dear love of thine"**

#### PASSING THE PEACE:

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.** *(The people share a sign of peace)*

ACTS 3: 12-19

PSALM 4 (TIS 2) Response: **Lord let your face shine on us**

EPISTLE: 1 John 3: 1-7

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia.** Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures.

Alleluia. *(Luke 24:32)*

GOSPEL: Luke 24: 36b –48

#### SERMON

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING/INTERCESSION

OFFERING /OFFERTORY PRAYER

**TIS 686: "Lord Jesus, we belong to you"**

#### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Communion setting: Christopher Willcock "Mass for the Fallen")

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.**

God of steadfast love, it is right that we should always give thanks to you, you are not a distant God, but one prepared to answer the cries of those sunk in the depths of sin and despair. You did not abandon your people of old, but through the prophets spoke words of mercy and hope to them, simply because they were chosen and beloved by you. You revealed how beloved we are by entering our history in the person of Jesus Christ, who touches our lives with healing and wholeness and a love, which like yours, is unending and unconditional. And so, with all the company of heaven and earth we rejoice before you and praise your holy name singing:

**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.**

At this table we bear witness to the love which has been poured into our hearts and lives. We remember when Jesus washed his disciples' feet and sat down at a table to share the meal with them. At that meal - he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, to remember me."