

OFFERING/OFFERING PRAYER

**Eternal God, you create us by your power and redeem us by your love.
Guide and strengthen us by your Holy Spirit here at Auburn.
Bless our offerings this morning and our lives each day,
in humble dedication unto you.
May we give ourselves in love and service to one another and to you
Through Jesus Christ our King and Lord. Amen**

HYMN 378: The head that once was crowned with thorns

BLESSING/BENEDICTION/DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE:

(Please remain seated during the postlude)

NOTICES

Sunday 17 December at 10am: Lisa Carey, from the Presbytery of Yarra Yarra, will preside at the "Severing of the Ties" during the service. This is to acknowledge the completion of Steve Crump's ministry at Auburn UC. This will be followed by morning tea in the Pawsey Room. Finger food to share is appreciated. All Welcome.

Sunday 24 December: There will NOT be a 10am service at Auburn.

Sunday 24 December: SERVICE OF CAROLS AND READINGS at 5pm

This will be followed by mince pies and tea/coffee. This service will be led by Rev Ross Carter and be publicised locally. Please invite all your friends and neighbours to sing carols with the choir and the organ.

Christmas Day Service at 10am with Rev Steve Crump.

Flowers Today: Heather Suriano

Next Sunday: Wendy Hughes Chuck

Reader Today: Wendy Hughes Chuck

Next Sunday: John Suriano

Readings next week: Isaiah 64: 1-9

Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19

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Auburn Uniting Church Hawthorn

We are worshipping on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nations. We acknowledge them as traditional custodians of the land past, present and future.

Sunday 26th November 2023

Service Today

10am Worship Service
Rev Dr James Donaldson

Next Sunday

10am Worship Service
Rev Steve Crump

Sunday Service

10 am weekly

Holy Communion:

monthly:

10 am: 3rd Sunday

Church Lunch:

12 noon in the Hall
monthly 3rd Sunday

Morning Coffee

10.15am monthly
1st Thursday, March
to November, in the
Eileen Pawsey
Room

Church Council:

7.45 pm monthly
2nd Thursday in the
Pawsey Room

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

Welcome to all who worship at Auburn today.

The order of service proceeds without announcement.

Responses by the congregation are in **bold** type.

You are invited to stay for morning tea in the church after the service.

CHRIST THE KING

ORGAN PRELUDE:

INTROIT: *Shout for Joy (TIS 62)*

Shout to the Lord for joy all the earth
Worship the Lord with gladness and joyful songs.
Know that the world is good,
it is he who has made us.

Enter his gates with thanks,
come into his courts with praise,
for the Lord is good and his love endures forever,
His faithfulness shall be forever more.
For the lord is good.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Yours, O God, is the greatness, the power,
the victory, and the majesty,
For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
Yours, O Lord, is the Kingdom,
and you are exalted as head over it.

**You exalted the risen Christ to rule over all creation,
that he might present unto you an eternal and universal Kingdom:
A Kingdom of truth and life; a Kingdom of holiness and grace;
and a Kingdom of justice, love and peace.**

We come in worship at Auburn this morning,
to affirm that you are indeed our God;
ever-present, all-powerful and supreme.
We give you thanks that we are your people, encouraged,
strengthened and saved through your grace,
and by your mighty acts on our behalf.

**Thank you for always being with us, walking by our side
through good times and bad.**

**When we find ourselves in strange circumstances
and feeling lost, and lonely, help us to hear your word
guiding us and your spirit lifting us up.**

**When our hopes dim and we feel anxious,
remind us of your almighty power.**

**When we lose our way and our faith seems dim,
embrace us with your heavenly love.**

HYMN 228: Crown him with many crowns

PRAYERS

PSALM 100 (*music: David Haas*)

We are God's people, the flock of the Lord

EZEKIEL 34: 11-16 and 20-24.

HYMN 245: We have a gospel to proclaim

EPHESIANS 1: 15-21

ANTHEM: The Lord ascendeth up on high
The Lord ascendeth up on high,
The Lord hath triumphed gloriously,
In power and might excelling;
The grave and hell are captive led.
Lo! He returns, our glorious Head,
To his eternal dwelling.

The heav'ns with joy receive their Lord,
By saints, by angel hosts adored;
O day of exultation!
O earth, adore thy glorious King!
His rising, his ascension sing
with grateful adoration.

Our great High Priest hath gone before,
Upon his church his Grace to pour;
And still his love he giveth.
O may our hearts to him ascend;
May all within us upward tend
To him who ever liveth.

(Michael Praetorius (1571-1621) arr. Alan Bullard)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia. Blessed is the one who comes in the name
of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David.
Alleluia. (*Mark 11:9*)

MATTHEW 25: 31-46

HYMN 231: At the name of Jesus

ADDRESS; "Thine is The Kingdom"-The joy of completing
our call to discipleship.