

*Carry our life into the world which You so love,
that we may be part of the bringing in Your reign,
witnesses to Your justice and peace
and friends to all who long for love.
This we pray in Your name. Amen.*

HYMN: 447 "Lord Your Almighty Word"

BIBLE READINGS -

John 17:1-26 (Pages 1070-1071)

Roslyn McCawley

AFFIRMATION

In response to the word, let us make our affirmation:

*We believe that God is present here, meeting us within our worship,
speaking into every heart, offering wisdom for every mind and breathing
hope into every soul.*

*We believe that, in Christ all things are possible and in the Spirit all life
is being made new. This we believe.*

SERMON: "Jesus' High Priestly Prayer" Krikor Youmshajekian

HYMN: 590 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

NOTICES - Elders' & Council Meetings Wed 26 May 12:00 noon.

- **Pizza/Movie Night** - Tues 1 June 6:30 pm, start at 7:15 pm.
- **Combined Service with Lane Cove Uniting** on the occasion of the Uniting Church 44th Anniversary. Sunday 20 June 2021, here.

OFFERING - *Freely we have received; let us freely give.*

HYMN: 216 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" (Tune 371 Darwall)

THE LORD'S PRAYER and BENEDICTION

May the Holy God guide us in the pathways of truth,
Christ Jesus gather us into a loving community as His Body
and the Spirit inspire us and call us on into joy. **Amen!**

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**ORDER OF SERVICE
EASTER 7**

16 May 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.
How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over the earth! He
subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.
He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom He loved. God
has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding trumpets.
Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise. *(Psalm 47:1-7)*

HYMN: 147 “To God Be the Glory”

RESPONSIVE READING - Psalm 66

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious.
Say to God, “How awesome are Your deeds!
So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You.
All the earth bows down to You; they sing praise to You, they sing the
praises of Your name.”
Come and see what God has done, His awesome deeds for mankind!
He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on
foot—come, let us rejoice in Him.
He rules forever by His power, His eyes watch the nations—let not the
rebellious rise up against Him.
Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard;
He has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.
For You, God, tested us; You refined us like silver.
I will come to Your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows,
vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble.
I will sacrifice fat animals to You, offering of rams, bulls and goats.
Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what He has done
for me.
I cried out to Him with my mouth; His praise was on my tongue.
If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened;
but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer.
Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love
from me!

A PRAYER OF PRAISE

Worthy of praise from every mouth, of confession from every tongue,
of worship from every creature, is Your glorious name,
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: who did create the world in Your grace
and by thy compassion did save the world.
To Your majesty, O God, ten thousand times ten thousand bow down and
adore, singing and praising without ceasing and saying,
Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts; Heaven and earth are full of thy
praises; Hosanna in the highest.
(Nestorius 381-451)

HYMN: 134 “Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven”

FOR THE RENEWAL OF OUR HEARTS

Instruct our mouths, O Lord, with a new song; that, our hearts being
renewed, we may always rejoice in Your praise and in the company of
Your saints, O God, our Strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

CONVOCATION

In every beginning, in every moment, God may surprise us with new
possibilities, new courage and wisdom and new dimensions of faith.
This is our God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.
Let us be the people of God this day.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - We Are Human

O God, we are Your people and we confess that we do not always expect
to be challenged by Your creativity or Your prophetic word.
We often think and act as though we know the future, we know what is
expected of us and do what we always do.
Forgive us if we have lost the dream of Your life.
Bring to us Your surprising grace, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The rock of God’s faithfulness never fails us, the forgiveness of Jesus
Christ comes in grace upon grace and the Holy Spirit will lift up our life.
Let us choose to live abundantly! *Amen.*

INTERCESSION

Loving God, take all that we do and give to it the grandeur of Your will,
the wonder of Christ’s abundant life and the truth and power of Your Holy
Spirit.