

St Ives Uniting Church

31st July 2022

Pentecost 8

Call to worship and welcome

Lighting the Christ Candle

Hymn: 183 Sing of the Lord's goodness

Prayer of adoration

Psalm of thanksgiving - Psalm 107

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.
- ² Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,
- ³ those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.
- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle.
- ⁵ They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away.
- ⁶ Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.
- ⁷ He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.
- ⁸ Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind,
- ⁹ for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.
- ⁴³ Let the one who is wise heed these things and ponder the loving deeds of the Lord.

Prayer of confession

Assurance of forgiveness

Your sins are forgiven Thanks be to God.

Hymn: 223 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Notices Lawrence Peak

Bible Readings:

Luke 12:13-21 David Turner

- ¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."
- ¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" ¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."
- ¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'
- ¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."
- ²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'
- ²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Colossians 3:1-11

Caroline Turner

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸ But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹ Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: The rich fool

Hymn: 609 May the mind of Christ my saviour

Offering

Lord,
let our congregation be a witness to you:
immersed in scripture,
constant in prayer,
joyful in worship,
generous in giving.
A loving, supportive community
reaching out to those in need.
Accept these gifts we offer, in Jesus' name,
Amen.

Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer

Richie Dulin

Hymn: 233 I will sing the wondrous story

Benediction

Response: 772 Worship, honour, glory, blessing

Postlude Pianist Rosemary Osborne