

# **St Ives Uniting Church**

## **16th October 2022**

#### Pentecost 19

Call to worship and welcome

**Lighting the Christ Candle** 

**Opening prayer** 

Hymn: 100 All creatures of our God and king

Prayer of adoration and confession

Responsive reading: Psalm 121

- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the mountains where does my help come from?
- <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot slip—
  he who watches over you will not slumber;
- <sup>4</sup> indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord watches over you the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
- <sup>6</sup> the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.
- <sup>7</sup> The Lord will keep you from all harm he will watch over your life;
- 8 the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

## **Assurance of forgiveness**

Hymn: 229 Jesus loves me

Notices Lawrence Peak

## **Bible readings**

Luke 18:1-8 Heather Lakiss

- <sup>1</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. <sup>2</sup> He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought.
- <sup>3</sup> And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'
- <sup>4</sup> "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, <sup>5</sup> yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"
- <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup> And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

This is the word of the Lord

#### Thanks be to God

## 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Barbara Coupe

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it,
 <sup>15</sup> and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.
 <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: <sup>2</sup> Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. <sup>3</sup> For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup> They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. <sup>5</sup> But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

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**Sermon:** All scripture?

Hymn: 745 Seek ye first

Offering

Prayers of the people

Hazel Ruskin

Hymn: I cannot tell

**Benediction** 

Postlude Pianist Rosemary Osborne