

**Sunday Worship Service &
the Reaffirmation of Baptism**
Day of Pentecost, Sunday 5 June, 9:30AM
Boronia Park Uniting Church
Lead: Rev. Seung Jae Yeon

Acknowledgement of the First Peoples

From before recorded time, the Eora Nation cared for this land. We praise the Creator for the beauty of this Land and honour those who have offered themselves in tending it.

We acknowledge the Elders and communities of the Walloo-metta People who have told the sacred stories and nurtured faithfulness to the Creator. We ask God's blessing on those who continue to work for the healing and restoration of this Land and Her Communities.

Opening Prayer: A Prayer of Invocation

Come, Holy Spirit,
the one who sang a new melody
as God's Creation rose from Chaos,
who wept at the dark shadow of a cross,
and who danced early in the morning,
at the opening of an empty tomb.

Come, Holy Spirit,
the One who could not be contained by wind, or flame, or breath,
the One who blesses the Church with courage, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit, to us,
who gather this day with trembling hands and uncertain hearts.
Teach us to sing a new song and to dance with reckless abandon.

Here in this gathering of believers,
as you did with those so long ago,
breathe on us now.

Breathe on us,
blowing away our fears and our hesitations.

Breathe on us,
transforming our hard-heartedness into passion-filled lives.

Breathe on us,
for we need peace, peace that only you can give.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Nancy J.

Song Where the Spirit Is There Is Freedom (TIS 421)

Where the Spirit is there's freedom.

Where the Spirit is. there is life!

Not by the world can our freedom be nourished,
not by our things, only by Spirit.

Practice, my children, to live by the Spirit,
drop all your masks, take freedom's clothing!

Where the Spirit is there's freedom ...

Heaven on earth, here we live, free to
love and to share, carried by joy.

Practice, my children, to live by the Spirit,
daring today to taste God's future.

Where the Spirit is there's freedom ...

Wounds will be healed, eyes will be opened,
imaging God, reflecting Jesus.
Practice, my children, to live by the Spirit,
heaven is here, time made eternal.
Where the Spirit is there's freedom ...

Per Gunnar Harling

Scripture Reading Jenny Keast

Acts 2:1-21 (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ ‘In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.
²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

John 14:8-17 (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then

believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

The Promise of the Holy Spirit

¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon A Gentle Touch of the Holy Spirit

When I was little, my mother played many roles for her children. One of them was a nurse. Before getting medication or seeing a doctor, I used to ask my mother to rub with her warm hands my head, tummy, limbs and back. Especially when I had stomach discomfort, she tended me. She made her thighs like a comfy pillow so that I could lay my upper body in between. Then she began her soothing abdominal massage, rubbing with her hands in a circular motion. Then I got relief in a few minutes. Not only my stomach could feel better, but my whole body could be relaxed and calm.

During the past week, I had been unwell. I had flu with a mere headache. I took medications, drank at least 2 litres a day and fed me well. I got hot showers day and night, and had nanny naps in the mid-afternoon. But it was getting worse one stage then seemed not to get well. To be honest, it let me down. I needed to get a lot of things done during the past week. I had done all things with thanks and all my energy and passion. However, I was missing one thing. What if there was my mother who could soothe me

by rubbing with her warm hands, my body and soul? I wish I could have my mum's touch. A gentle and mild touch. A touch of love, a touch of eternity.

Let us think about this imagery that the Acts reading describes the movement of the Holy Spirit. All disciples and followers of Jesus Christ were gathered on the day of Pentecost, into their gathering "there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind." Then they felt that the mysterious but sensible airflow in the room. What they could find was that they had the same experience that they never had before. The author says that they were filled with the Holy Spirit and then spoke in other languages with the ability that the Spirit gave to them. What was it? Was this what they really wanted on the day of Pentecost? Was speaking in other languages what the Holy Spirit aimed in its coming? We cannot find the clue but what was happening next makes us so excited and think.

In city of Jerusalem, there were so many people visiting and celebrating the feast of Pentecost. They came from other cities and regions near and far, no matter fertile or dry land – even some from Rome the central of the Empire. Culturally and linguistically diverse groups. They were both Jews and proselytes who converted from other religions. They seemed to be welcomed in the city, expecting to experience the LORD anew on their pilgrimage. In the old Jewish culture, those visitors from other cities and the proselytes from other religion were able to be part of the Jews if they convert and are received by the Law. What would they want to see from the central of the Jewish religion during the feast of Pentecost? Was there anything more than what the Law says and what Pharisees teach? After their long journey to the holy city, how tired or exhausted they were? They might have been sick or unwell on their pilgrimage or on arrival. But those visitors from many places heard the disciples and followers of Jesus speaking about God's amazing grace and mighty works that Jesus demonstrated during his public ministry. Then they were amazed. They felt that there was something special they never heard or lived with.

My reading on the passage while I was unwell reminded me my mum's warm soothing hands. Her gentle and mild touch on my skin soothed me, giving me calm and affirming me, "I am here with you." It was real and so

true that my mother's touch of love and care healed both my body and soul, and formed my spirituality and even theology that God may touch many lives with words and works of his people on earth. Jesus Christ models for us how to become a christ to each other and how we should live out God's calling in nurturing each other and especially younger members of the church. I trust that we, like me and my age group and some oldies have had good relationship with God and knowledge of who Jesus Christ is for each and everyone. We read and study about the Word of God from the Bible. We pray to God for all our needs and worries. Some could have very special conversion experience or encounter with God in faith journey. Like the disciples and followers on the day of Pentecost, we, older generation have been impacted by various ways of church life. Some have found their giftedness in leadership, teaching, charity works and social justice. But that is not it. We are called to serve our young people and emerging generation with all that we have received from Jesus Christ our Lord.

Jesus once said to his disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever." (John 14:15-16) The great commandments from the Lord are to love your God and love one another. "Love is patient; love is kind." And "[love] does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. [Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:4, 6-7) I believe that this love will touch many lives like all of us and all our young people. This love will work in many lives as the love of God has formed and transformed you in your faith journey. Think about those who have touched your soul and spirit. Like my mother who always tended me, you have one or many in life who leads you into the life that Jesus gives and meaningful direction for tomorrow where we move forward. Your gentle and mild touch may give life to others. Today, may a touch of the Holy Spirit, through your words and works, amaze your neighbour and especially the confirmation candidates, Ashley, Bianca, Oscar and Daniel as they begin their own journey of faith. This is the reflection on the readings that I want to share with you all. Amen.

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

Presentation of the candidates Robyn Harvey

The candidates for Confirmation are brought forward by the elders.

Robyn Harvey says to the congregation:

Friends, the church council of this congregation has received a request for confirmation from Ashley Han, Bianca Lee, Oscar Lee and Daniel Yeon.

This important decision has been prayerfully and carefully considered, and I am glad to welcome them here today.

Scripture

Rev Dr Jong-Hwan Kim

Reader reads Matthew 28:18-20 and Romans 6:3-4.

Then Jesus came to them and said,
“All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me.
Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything
I have commanded you.
And surely, I am with you always,
to the very end of the age.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Don't you know that all of us who were baptized
into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death
in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

The Wisdom of God.

All: God's word made new.

The Meaning of Baptism

Lenny Valdez-Lee

Baptism is Christ's gift.
It is the sign by which the Spirit of God
joins people to Jesus Christ
and incorporates them into his body, the Church.

In his own baptism in the Jordan by John,
Jesus identified himself with humanity
in its brokenness and sin;
that baptism was completed in his death and resurrection.

By God's grace,
baptism plunges us into the faith of Jesus Christ,
so that whatever is his may be called ours.
By water and the Spirit we are claimed as God's own
and set free from the power of sin and death.

Thus, claimed by God
we are given the gift of the Holy Spirit
that we may live as witness to Jesus Christ,
share his ministry in the world and grow to maturity,
awaiting with hope the day of our Lord Jesus.

The Confession of Faith

The minister says to the candidates for confirmation:

In baptism,
we are called out of darkness into God's marvellous light.
In response to the gospel, I ask you:

Ashley Han, Bianca Lee, Oscar Lee and Daniel Yeon,
do you turn from your sins?

I turn from my sins.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ
who has defeated the power of sin and death
and brought us new life?

I turn to Christ.

Do you commit yourself to God,
trusting in Jesus Christ as Saviour
and in the Holy Spirit
as God's power and presence along the way?

I commit myself to God.

The minister says to the congregation and to the candidate:

In unity with the whole Church,
let us stand and affirm the faith
into which we were baptised.

The people stand.

Do you believe in God?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Water is poured into the front. The minister says:

Holy God, faithful One,
we thank you for your gifts of water and the Holy Spirit.

In the beginning, your Spirit moved over the waters
and brought life out of the chaos of nothingness.

In the days of Noah you rescued those
on the ark from the great flood.

You saved the infant Moses
from the waters of the Nile,
so that he could lead your people
through the sea to a promised land.

Your Son Jesus was baptised by John in the Jordan
and anointed by the Spirit.

By the baptism of his death
Christ sets us free from our captivity to sin
and enables us to share in his resurrection life.

By the power of your Holy Spirit, bless this water,
that those who are baptised into the death of Christ,
having been buried with him,
may rise with him to walk in newness of life;
and, set free from enslavement to sin,
may live to God in Christ Jesus
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

Confirmation

The minister may say:

Ashley, Bianca, Oscar and Daniel, always remember you are baptised,
and be thankful.

*Elders, companions and ones from each family to lay on hands come forward and stand
around the candidates for confirmation.*

By the Holy Spirit, gracious God,
Strengthen these your servants,
And set their hearts on fire with love for you.
Increase in them your gifts of grace:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and wonder in your presence,
the spirit of joy and delight in your service,
now and forever.

Amen.

The Response

The newly confirmed members may make a brief statement of faith.

The minister says to the new member:

You have been baptised into the faith of Christ,
and are called to the worship, witness and service of God
in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Will you continue in the community of faith,
the apostles' teaching, the breaking of bread and the prayers?
With God's help, I will.

Will you proclaim, by word and example,
the good news of God in Christ?
With God's help, I will.

Will you seek Christ in all people,
and love your neighbour as yourself?
With God's help, I will.

Will you strive for justice and peace
and respect the dignity of every human being?
With God's help, I will.

May the God of grace,
who has given us new birth by water and the Spirit,
keep us steadfast in the faith of Christ
and bring us to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The minister addresses the congregation.

Minister: Friends in Christ,
will you promise to maintain a life of worship and teaching,
witness and service
so that they may grow to maturity in Christ?

**Congregation: With God's help,
we will live out our baptism
as a loving community in Christ:
nurturing one another in faith,
upholding one another in prayer,
and encouraging one another in service,
until Christ comes.**

Prayers of the People

Rosemary Brook

Heavenly Father, Creator God, God of the promised – and God of the unexpected,

This is a beautiful day- a red colour day- when we celebrate Pentecost.

We thank you for the promised presence of your Holy Spirit - made absolutely visible and heard in so many different languages- and by so many - on that unique Pentecost day, 50 days after Passover.

As one American minister* has written, we also pray:

May the boldness of your Spirit transform us;

may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us;

may the gifts of your Spirit:

love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, be our goal and our strength, now and always.

* Susan Flanders, ProgressiveChristianity.org (2014)

We thank you too for your unexpected and astonishing Pentecost gift: the birth of your Church, your Church now world-wide, and all its related agencies and endeavours that seek to bring the light of your love and compassion, peace and justice to so many.

Today our church family welcomes into your church world-wide and your loving church family here at Boronia Park: Daniel, Ashley, Oscar and Bianca to be confirmed in their faith in you, our Father. Continue to richly bless them and their caring mentors Justin, Alan, Jenny and Lenny who have guided them in this journey to you. Bless their families who have loved and supported Daniel, Ashley, Oscar and Bianca to this point, and will do so far into the future.

Bringing peace and justice and compassion and hope in so many dark places is a never-ending task for your Church. Overseas we pray for the churches, governments and peoples of South Africa, Lesotho, Namibia and Eswatini (formerly Swaziland). We are in awe of the vision and endurance of Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu and so many others working for justice. But it remains horrifying to read of the deadly violence, the continuing suffering from AIDs, and the ongoing, unbridled inequity in so many communities.

We are also asked by the Acting General Secretary of the Korean Christian Federation of the World Council of Churches to express our very deep Christian concern over the Covid-19 outbreak in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea).

We grieve with you before God, for the loss of those who have been taken by this pandemic. We pray that God will continue to be with you and uphold you as the North Korean people strive for healing and recovery. As a global community of faith, we trust in God who is our hope... and in God's abundant mercies, love, care and protection.

In Australia as we re-engage with the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the need for Voice, Treaty and Truth, as part of the Uniting Church in Australia, we affirm the words from the recent 16th Assembly of the Uniting Church held last month,

In love, the Creator gave the First Peoples customs, culture and spirituality that guided them to dwell in this land with deep care for the earth and each other. Help us as part of your church to constantly choose to dwell in love and with our neighbours.

There is so much else to pray for- our new federal government and the challenges they must meet; the war in Ukraine and its massive impact; friends and family who are unwell or have lost loved ones and need your loving care; young people with many decisions and opportunities to assess. We take a few moments for silent prayer from our hearts.

We thank you Heavenly Father for blessing our nearby ministers and congregations; our very dear Minister Seung Jae and his family; our other ministers and leaders; and all members of our church family. All are beloved.

In closing, again let us pray on this Pentecost Sunday,

May the boldness of your Spirit transform us;
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us;
may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength,
now and always. Amen.

Offering

Bountiful God,
we come with our offerings in response to your love.
With the new life in Christ,
we give ourselves in service to others.

With the energy bestowed by the Spirit,
we seek to inflame all your people with a zeal for your way.
Receive the work we do,
and the gifts we bring,
that they may become a blessing in your sight.

Worshiping Well

COMMUNION

Communion Song Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us:
And we remember
the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.

*So, we share in this Bread of Life,
and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.*

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, torn for you:
Eat and remember
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
paid the price to make us one.
So, we share in this Bread of Life ...

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin,
shed for you:
Drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.
So, we share in this Bread of Life ...

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
to respond and to remember
our call to follow in the steps of Christ
as His body here on earth.
*As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n
around the table of the King.*

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.
In the beginning
your Spirit moved over the face of the waters.
You formed us in your image
and breathed into us the breath of life.
When we turned away, and our love failed,
your love remained steadfast.
Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers,
anointing them to speak your Word.
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him
and declared him your beloved Son.
With your Spirit upon him he turned away the temptations of sin.
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection,
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.
When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always,
baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, as on the Day of Pentecost.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
**“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”**

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
**“Drink from this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”**

On the day you raised him from the dead
he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread,
and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued
in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood and empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
showing forth the fruit of the Spirit until Christ comes in final victory,
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honour and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

我們在天上的父，
願人都尊祢的名為聖，
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지，
아버지의 이름을 거룩하게 하시며，

your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

願祢的國降臨，
願祢的旨意行在地上，
如同行在天上。
아버지의 나라가 오게 하시며，
아버지의 뜻이 하늘에서와 같이
땅에서도 이루어지게 하소서.

Give us today our daily bread.

我們日用的飲食
今日賜給我們，
오늘 우리에게 일용할 양식을 주시고，

Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

免我們的債
如同我們免了人的債
우리가 우리에게 잘못한 사람을
용서하여 준 것같이 우리 죄를 용서하여 주시고，

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

不叫我們遇見試探，
救我們脫離兇惡，
우리를 시험에 빠지지 않게 하시고
악에서 구하소서.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever.

因為國度，權柄，榮耀，
全是祢的，直到永遠。

나라와 권능과 영광이
영원히 아버지의 것입니다.

Amen.

Song Brother Sister Let Me Serve You (TIS 650)

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,

born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

Richard Gilard

Commission and Benediction

Go out into the world,
and labour to bring forth new life.
Dream dreams, pursue visions
and speak of God's goodness
in the words of those who would hear.

And may the God who breathed life into creation be your delight.
May Christ Jesus give hope to your dreaming,
and may the Holy Spirit, your advocate and supporter,
set your hearts ablaze with a passion for peace.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Sung Blessing Jesus You are Lord

Rising from the grave
Died to set us free
Full of grace and love
Shining above all
Jesus You are Lord

Peter Rowe

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