

**Welcome to Worship**  
**Sunday November 8, 2020**



**Parramatta Mission Online Services**  
**Leigh and Westmead Communities**

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9.30am (Leigh)      <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5450786355>

9.45am (Westmead)      <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/3958336709>

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**Greeting:** To the community of Christ

Gathered online throughout the city

Grace and peace to you.

**And also to you.**

**Call to worship:**

Jesus said: <sup>20</sup> Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me  
(Rev 3:20).

Paul wrote: There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

**Hymn:**      ‘Immortal, invisible, God only wise’.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spE-BE23qxA>

## **Prayer of Approach:**

Jesus said: You are my friends.

Immortal, invisible, God all wise,  
You are the God of all time:

God of the past, the present, the future  
We gather in this here and now  
To worship you on this day;

To once again listen for your Word to us;  
To hear again your words of forgiveness  
And your invitation to new life;

Immortal, invisible, God all wise,  
You are the God of all time:

God of this time, God of the past, present, the future  
We gather on-line  
In this strange time of masks, social distancing, constraints

To once again here the call to live well.  
To be merciful and compassionate;  
To die well and leave this life in hope.

Immortal, invisible, God all wise,  
You are the God of all time:

God of all time. God of the past, present, the future  
We come together on this November day  
In the company of those who have born witness to you  
Before us and who will do after us,

We worship you, God of Jesus Christ,

**Song;**                    **‘Bless the Lord, O My Soul’. / ‘ Ten Thousand  
Reasons’.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vSxocnlaN0A>

## **An Act of Confession and Trust in God.**

Jesus said: Come unto me all who are heavy laden.

Jesus said: Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Jesus said: Whatever you did to one of the least of these, you did to me.

Jesus said: Follow me.

Jesus said: No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.

All: Christ Jesus, have mercy upon us.  
Forgive us for those times  
we turn our face away from you.  
Through your Spirit restore us.

A time of silence

**Hymn: 'You are mine'. (David Haas).**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sgm9lkTNQmc>

**Words of Assurance:** (Matthew 7:24-27)

Jesus said:

Each of those who hears these my words  
And does them is like the wise person  
who builds their house on rock.

The rain came down, the rivers rose,  
And the winds blew and beat against that house;  
But it did not fall, because it was built on rock.

Believe the good news of the gospel.  
In Jesus Christ we are loved,  
Forgiven, and set free!

Behold salvation has come to this house.  
Thanks be to God!

## **The Peace**

May the peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Learning Together**

'The bridegroom is coming'. (Matthew 25:1-13)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18fEnZ7h3HY>

## **Bible Readings**

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Matthew 25:1-13

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Hymn:** 'The heavens shall declare'.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/4q1hg169hzi4fou/The%20Heavens%20Shall%20Declare.mp4?dl=0>

[https://www.smule.com/recording/arrangement-by-alan-oreilly-the-heavens-shall-declare/2431482977\\_3768883633](https://www.smule.com/recording/arrangement-by-alan-oreilly-the-heavens-shall-declare/2431482977_3768883633)

## **Sermon**

Sunil Baek (Leigh)

Clive Pearson (Westmead)

**Hymn:** 'Jesus Christ is waiting'.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSzEviUc\\_o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSzEviUc_o)

## **The Offering**

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer

#### Word of Mission:

Hymn: 'Lord of all hopefulness'.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8mti7VL3gg>

**Blessing** For you, deep stillness  
<https://youtu.be/f443ueGSzJI>

For you, deep stillness of the silent inland  
For you, deep blue of the desert skies  
For you, flame red of the rocks and stones  
For you, sweet water from hidden springs.  
From the edges seek the heartlands  
and when you're burnt by the journey  
may the cool winds of the hovering  
Spirit soothe and replenish you.  
In the name of Christ, In the name of Christ

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