St Ives Uniting Church

Order of Service

Holy Communion

5th May 2024

Call to worship and welcome

Hymn: 132 Holy, holy, holy Responsive reading: Psalm 98 ¹Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. ²The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. ³He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ⁴Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; ⁵ make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, ⁶ with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn shout for joy before the Lord, the King. ⁷Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. ⁸Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; ⁹ let them sing before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. **Prayer of confession**

Declaration of forgiveness

Hear Christ's word of grace, "Your sins are forgiven." Thanks be to God

Notices - Lawrence

Bible readings

- John 15:9-17 Heather
- 1 John 5:1-6 Barbara

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Sermon: Laying down our lives

Hymn: 342 When I survey the wondrous cross

Offering and prayer

Offering response: 768 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Prayers of the people - Ross

Hymn: 538 Feed us now, bread of life

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you **And also with you**

Holy communion

As we come to the Lord's table, let us pray:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

With the faithful of every generation, we praise your holy name: 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.

And together we pray the prayer he taught his disciples:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

Hymn: 547 Be thou my vision

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude