



St Ives Uniting Church

27 October 2024

Pentecost 23

Call to worship and welcome

Hymn: 100 All creatures of our God and king (verses 1, 3, 5, 7)

Prayer of adoration

Responsive reading: Psalm 34:1-8, 19-20, 22

¹ I will extol the Lord at all times;

his praise will always be on my lips.

² I will glory in the Lord;

let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

³ Glorify the Lord with me;

let us exalt his name together.

⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me;

he delivered me from all my fears.

⁵ Those who look to him are radiant;

their faces are never covered with shame.

⁶ This poor man called, and the Lord heard him;

he saved him out of all his troubles.

⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,

and he delivers them.

⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good;

blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

¹⁹ The righteous person may have many troubles,

but the Lord delivers him from them all;

²⁰ he protects all his bones,

not one of them will be broken.

²² The Lord will rescue his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

Prayer of confession

And we ask of you, in your mercy,
**forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Assurance of forgiveness

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

Hymn: 129 Amazing grace

Announcements

Lawrence Peak

Bible readings

Job 42:1-6, 10-11,16-17

Beth Facer

Then Job replied to the Lord:

² "I know that you can do all things;

no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

³ You asked, 'Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?'

Surely I spoke of things I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me to know.

⁴ "You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak;

I will question you,

and you shall answer me.’

⁵ My ears had heard of you
but now my eyes have seen you.

⁶ Therefore I despise myself
and repent in dust and ashes.”

¹⁰ After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. ¹¹ All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring.

¹⁶ After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. ¹⁷ And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Mark 10:46-52

Hazel Ruskin

⁴⁶ Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means “son of Timaeus”), was sitting by the roadside begging. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” ⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

⁵² “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: Seeing Jesus

Hymn: 589 Jesus calls us o’er the tumult

Offering

Offering response: 768 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Prayers of intercession

Father, hear our prayer,
through Jesus Christ our Lord

The Lord’s prayer

Hymn: 456 Your hand, O God, has guided

Benediction

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen.

Threefold Amen

Postlude

Pianist

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