



# St Ives Uniting Church

18<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## Pentecost 15

**Call to worship and welcome**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**Hymn: 134 Praise, my soul, the king of heaven**

**Prayer of adoration**

**Responsive reading: Psalm 113**

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, you his servants;

**praise the name of the Lord.**

<sup>2</sup> Let the name of the Lord be praised,

**both now and forevermore.**

<sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,

**the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

<sup>4</sup> The Lord is exalted over all the nations,

**his glory above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup> Who is like the Lord our God,

**the One who sits enthroned on high,**

<sup>6</sup> who stoops down to look

on the heavens and the earth?

<sup>7</sup> **He raises the poor from the dust**

**and lifts the needy from the ash heap;**

<sup>8</sup> he seats them with princes,

with the princes of his people.

<sup>9</sup> **He settles the childless woman in her home**

**as a happy mother of children.**

**Praise the Lord!**

## **Prayer of confession**

### **Assurance of forgiveness**

Hear Christ's word of grace 'Your sins are forgiven'

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn:** 162 Thank you for giving me the morning

### **Notices**

Lawrence Peak

### **Bible readings**

#### **Amos 8:4-7**

Barbara Coupe

<sup>4</sup> Hear this, you who trample the needy  
and do away with the poor of the land,

<sup>5</sup> saying,

“When will the New Moon be over  
that we may sell grain,  
and the Sabbath be ended  
that we may market wheat?”—

skimping on the measure,

boosting the price

and cheating with dishonest scales,

<sup>6</sup> buying the poor with silver

and the needy for a pair of sandals,

selling even the sweepings with the wheat.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord has sworn by himself, the Pride of Jacob: “I will never forget anything they have done.”

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

#### **1 Timothy 2:1-7**

Beth Dulin

<sup>1</sup> I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— <sup>2</sup> for kings and all those in

authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, <sup>4</sup> who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. <sup>7</sup> And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** Good times?

**Hymn:** 627 Praise and thanksgiving, Father we offer

**Offering**

**Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer**

Ross Lorenz

**Hymn: 28 God is our strength and refuge**

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

**Pianist**

Rosemary Osborne

