

St Ives Uniting Church

Order of service

31<sup>st</sup> October 2021

**Welcome and lighting of the Christ Candle** – Lawrence

**Notices** - Lawrence

**Call to worship** - Richie

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his love endures forever.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord is my strength and my defense;  
**he has become my salvation.**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day of the Lord's victory;  
**let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**Hymn:** TiS 161 Tell out, my soul!

**Prayers of adoration and confession**

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

**Praise the Lord, my soul.**

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the Lord all my life;  
**I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes,  
**in human beings, who cannot save.**

<sup>4</sup> When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;  
**on that very day their plans come to nothing.**

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
**whose hope is in the Lord their God.**

<sup>6</sup> He is the Maker of heaven and earth,  
the sea, and everything in them—  
**he remains faithful forever.**

<sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed  
and gives food to the hungry.

**The Lord sets prisoners free,**

<sup>8</sup> the Lord gives sight to the blind,  
**the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,**  
**the Lord loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord watches over the foreigner

and sustains the fatherless and the widow,  
**but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.**

<sup>10</sup>The Lord reigns forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.

**Praise the Lord.**

(Psalm 146)

### **Assurance of forgiveness**

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

**Thanks be to God**

**Hymn**: Hallelujah Chorus (on video)

**Before the readings** – Reformation Sunday

**Bible readings** – David and Caroline

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Mark 12:28-34

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**: Not far from the kingdom

**Hymn**: TiS 659 The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow

**Offering and prayer**

**Prayer for others** – Emily

**The Lord's prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**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:** TiS 547 Be thou my vision

**Benediction**