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Bread for the World An Informal Eucharist

Introit Send forth your Spirit, Lord Margaret Rizza

Send forth your Spirit, Lord, renew the face of the earth. Send forth your Spirit, Lord, renew the face of the earth. Bless the Lord, O my soul, O Lord God, how great you are; you are clothed in honour and glory, you set the world on its foundations. *Refrain*

Lord, how great are your works, in wisdom you made them all; all the earth is full of your creatures, your hand always open to feed them. *Refrain*

May your wisdom endure, rejoice in your works, O Lord. I will sing for ever and ever, in praise of my God and my King. *Refrain*

Michael L Forster (born 1946)

Creator God, Come to us, in the difference of every life gathered Come to us in song Come to us in word Come to us in stillness and silence Come to us in our care for one another Come to us in bread and wine Come to us in flesh and blood Reach out across time Be present in all time.

- All Amen
- A// Come Jesus, be our guest, stay with us for day is ending.
 With friend, with stranger, with the young and old, with the lost and found.
 Be among us tonight.
 Our guest, our host, The one who says all – all are welcome here.

Opening Hymn

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and king, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 Jesus the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
 'tis music in the sinner's ears,
 'tis life, and health, and peace.
- 3 He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

- 4 He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.
- 5 Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, ye lame, for joy!
- 6 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Prayers for Forgiveness

God of life, you know the secret thoughts of every heart. We lay before you our complex lives trusting in your infinite mercy and love.

Silence is kept.

We make God's love too narrow with a strictness God does not own.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord have mercy.

Your word is a lamp to our feet yet we are fearful and distracted.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ have mercy.

You gift us with imagination and creativity yet we use it for our own gain.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord have mercy.

And Jesus said "Your sins are forgiven"

In the Name of the Father who created you and waits to welcome you home, in the name of the Son who searches for you, in the name of the Spirit who brings the healing of forgiveness and calls you to do the same, you have been set free.

All Amen

Words on the Edge John 21:1-14 read by Ben Sheridan

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together.

"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?"

"No," they answered.

He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Reflection Richard Carter on the Pacific Dance Ta'arei Weeks Interview Ta'arei Weeks

Anthem Blessed be Melanie DeMore

Blessed Be! Blest, Be, Blessed Be the Living Tree.

Blessed Be the Tree of Life that grows within you and me. Steady and true, Rooted in love. Shelter and peace Below and above.

Sing to the sky, Rise from the earth. Seasons come round again, Death to rebirth Blessed Be the Tree of Life that grows within you and me.

Melanie DeMore

Prayers

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Concern

Prayer of Hope

Each prayer ends with 'We pray to you'.

Prayer Chant Jesus, remember me



Sharing of the Peace

God is love and those who live in love, live in God, and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Gathering Hymn Nascitur, Michael Praertorius & G.R. Woodward

Let all the islands rise and sing,
 And to our God their praises bring:
 On strings and drum his might proclaim,
 To shout the glory of his name

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- 2 We praise him for the ocean vast, With throbbing reef and coral shore, For fish and shell and mighty whale For all his gifts our thanks we pour.
- 3 And when we se the stars at night, The many worlds which cross the sky, The sun and moon which give us light, We lift our hearts to God on high.
- 4 The children playing on the shore, The sounds of laughter which we hear, Their love increasing more and more, Remind us that our God is near.
- 5 The palms which bend towards the sky, The clouds which hurry to and fro, The birds which fly both low and high, Give joy to all on earth below.
- 6 To God the father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, praise be done: May Christ the Lord upon us pour The Spirits gift for evermore.

The Revd Canon Brian Macdonald-Milne (1935) with acknowledgement to Laurence Brittain (1922-2012)

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Together we pray:

All Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free, and fill each one of us with your love from on high. Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast at your table with all your saints.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray in our first language the prayer our Saviour taught us:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Look, Jesus Christ, the Bread of Heaven is broken for the life of the world. The gifts of God for the people of God

All Jesus Bread of Life, Bread which is broken, Bread for the world.

Communion Anthem Lords Prayer from 'African Sanctus' Fanshawe

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive the sins of them who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, for thine is the glory.

Prayer after Communion

All God of hope, show us how to be a people that live your reconciling love in the world, so that we may recognise your presence in those we meet, and our hearts like those first disciples may burn within us upon the road.

Notices

Thanksgiving Hymn

- 1 I danced in the morning When the world was begun, And I danced in the moon And the stars and the sun, And I came down from heaven And I dance on the earth, At Bethlehem I had my birth Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.
- 2 I danced for the scribe And the pharisee, But they would not dance And they wouldn't follow me. I danced for the fisherman, For James and John -They came with me And the Dance went on. *Chorus*
- 3 I danced on the Sabbath And I cured the lame; The holy people Said it was a shame. They and they stripped An they hung me on high, And left me there On a cross to die. *Chorus*

4 I danced on a Firday When the sky turned black -It's hard to dance With the devil on you back. They buried my body And they though I'd gone, But I am the Dance And still go on. *Chorus*

Sydney Carter (1915-2004)

Blessing

Go simply, lightly, gently, Go with obedience. Go with love. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and for ever.

All Amen

Blessing Anthem Irish Blessing Bob Chilcott

May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back. may the sun shine warm upon your face; and the rain fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Traditional

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