

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Thank You, Father, for making Yourself known to us and showing us the way of salvation through faith in Your Son. Teach us through Your word and equip us for every good work, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen!*

A PRAYER BEFORE READING THE SCRIPTURES

Lord, let Your glory be my end, Your word my rule, and then Your will be done. Amen!

King Charles 1, 1600-1649

BIBLE READINGS -

1 Kings 3:1-15 (Pages 328-329)

Penny Goodley

Luke 12:22-34 (Pages 1031-1032)

MUSICAL REFLECTION

SERMON: **“Wisdom! Our Priority”** **Krikor Youmshajekian**

NOTICES - Documentary - Sun 25 Aug 3:00 pm, Event Cinemas T. Ryde

- **Father's Day - Sunday 1 Sep - Extended Morning Tea.**

- **Movie/ Pizza Nights - Tuesday 3 September 6:30 pm**

- **Fashion Parade - Wed 18 September 10:15 am to noon.**

OFFERING - **“Honour the Lord with your wealth”.** *Proverbs 3:9*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Everything in heaven and earth comes from You, Lord. We give You only what is Yours. Accept our offering, bless and use them for the spread of Your Kingdom. May You be praised forever and ever. *Amen!*

HYMN: 430 **“Your Words to Me are Life and Health”**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. *Amen!*

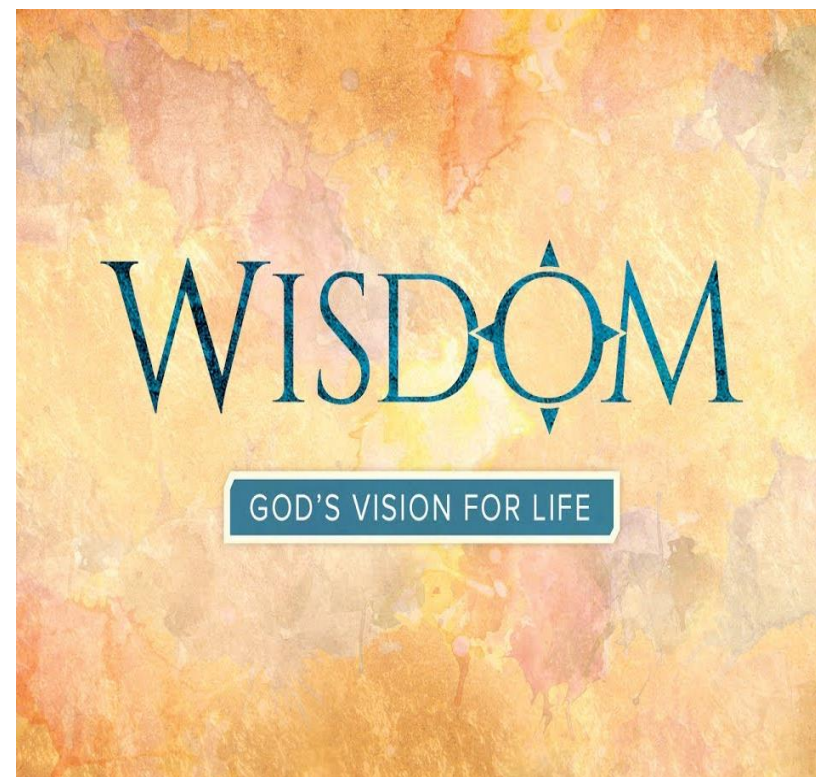
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ORDER OF SERVICE

PENTECOST 13

18 August 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. For the Lord is a great God, the great King above all gods. In His hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to Him. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker; for He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.

Psalm 95:1-7

PRAISE TO GOD

To the only invisible God, the Father of truth, who sent forth to us the Saviour and Founder of immortality, through whom He also revealed to us the truth and the heavenly life, to Him be the glory forever and ever.

Amen!

(Clement of Rome)

HYMN: 83 “Let Us With a Gladsome Mind”

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 111

Pages 603

PRAYER OF ADORATION

O, God whose reason rules the world, who formed the starry heights above, timeless, time’s chain far forth You hurled, unmoved, gave all things power to move. Prevailed on by no outside cause to fashion all reality; ideas of love and mental laws moulded the noble world we see.

Your nature perfect beauty, thus You made the world in tenderness with sights and sounds to raise us to love the source of loveliness.

You named the printed elements of earth and water, air and fire, and balanced out their influence that none might lower be or higher.

O Father, give me power to climb and wash in fountains filled with light, weighed down no more things of time, lit by Your shining in the night. The sight of You begins our day, with You its evening we shall spend; You carry us, and lead the way, the journey, and the journey’s end.

(Boethius c. 480 - c. 547)

HYMN: 155 “O Lord My God, When I in Awesome Wonder”

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying: *Lord, have mercy.*

For the holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those preparing for membership and ministry, the leaders and the teachers, the elders and Christian friends, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and the peoples, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the people in the Middle East region, especially for the victims of the war in Israel and Palestine, and those who fled from their homes looking for safe havens to be sheltered, that they may be safe and shielded, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to amend our lives, and to affirm the reign of God, we pray to You, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

O Lord, hear our prayers and petitions as we bring them to You in the name of Your only Son our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. For Him be the glory now and forever. ***Amen!***

HYMN: 103 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”