



ST STEPHEN'S UNITING CHURCH

197 Macquarie St, Sydney

An Oasis of Christian Worship, Thought and Action

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Christ the King

Morning Worship

Led by Rev. Ken Day

The Gathering of the People of God

Organ Prelude

Variations on 'Divine Mysteries'

June Nixon AM (1942 -)

Call to Worship

based on Colossians 1:11-20

Processional Hymn 520 *Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour*

(St. Helen)

Prayers of Adoration and Confession Declaration of Forgiveness

.....our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 105 *Let all the world in every corner sing* (Luckington)

Welcome

Ministry and mission news, celebrations and pastoral prayer.

Passing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Hymn 237 *Hail Redeemer, King divine!* (Rex)

The Service of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading : Luke 23: 33 - 43

Listen for the word of God for you.

33When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. **34**Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. **35**And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" **36**The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, **37**and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" **38**There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." **39**One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" **40**But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? **41**And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." **42**Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." **43**He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayers of the people

We stand to sing the Lord's prayer. (see next page)

Sermon

Anthem

Above all praise

Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 47)

Above all praise and all majesty,
Lord Thou reignest evermore. Hallelujah.!

Silent Prayer

Offering

During this time tithes, thank offerings, and food for Newtown Mission will be brought forward.

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending Forth of the People of God

Hymn 231 *At the name of Jesus* (Camberwell)

Blessing

Dismissal

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

Threefold Amen

Postlude *Crown Imperial* - William Walton (1902 - 1983)