

CALL TO WORSHIP:

As we gather to renew our faith and celebrate God's goodness,
We place the open Bible in our midst:

Your Word, O Lord is a lamp to our feet.

As we gather to hear God's Word and to seek direction,
We light a candle to remember God's presence with us

Your Word is a light for our path.

In Easter joy we are one!

We come to worship you.

HYMN **720** Halle, halle x 2

PRAYER

HYMN **693** Come as you are

WELCOME

PSALM 4

Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

You gave me room when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?

How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?

**But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.**

When you are disturbed, do not sin;
ponder it on your beds, and be silent.

**Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.**

There are many who say, "O that we might see some good!

Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"

**You have put gladness in my heart
more than when their grain and wine abound.**

I will both lie down and sleep in peace;
for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

PSALM REFLECTION

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

HYMN **389** Hear the bells ringing

Readings

1 John 3: 1 - 3

Luke 24: 36b - 48

In these words of Easter faith

Is the Good News of God with us.

** A moment of quiet for reflection.*

REFLECTION: 'Open minds'

HYMN Gifts that last - John Bell [tune: *TiS* 117]

1. God, give us a peace that lasts,
not through the fear of might,
but through the force of love
and love of life and right.
Where costly wars and weapons lure,
show us our Lord among the poor
2. God, give us a love that lasts,
which makes of strangers, guests;
which startles hurt with hope
and for the weak protests;
What hate or guiltiness emboss,
confront with Jesus and the cross.
3. God, give us a hope that lasts,
through passion and through pain,
through danger, doubt and death,
till life is raised again.
When dread and pessimism loom,
direct us to the empty tomb.

4. And all these things we ask
in knowledge of your grace,
which gave the earth its birth
and bore a human face;
and with our prayers we give our word,
to serve and follow Christ our Lord.

WARRAGUL UNITING CHURCH

SHARING & NOTICES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

DEDICATION - *tune 264*

Refreshed by living waters, renewed by living bread
May we, your sons and daughters, by your own hand be led.
Accept the gifts we offer; receive the lives we owe,
Unite us in your service, may seeds of justice grow. Ruth C Duck



They were startled...in their joy..., disbelieving

HYMN 613 Lord of all hopefulness

BLESSING

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

SUNG BLESSING 778 Shalom to you now



Easter 3

10 am Worship
Sunday April 14 2024

