

Service Plan | Lord's Supper | Sunday 6 December

- This service is designed for use in a small group setting, so will function differently with only 1 or 2 people. Feel free to adapt it to suit.
- It will be helpful if one person leads the gathering, and introduces each section using the suggested words, or take turns! There are some things to say together as well (in bold).
- You can access the songs and sermon by clicking on the links where they are found in the outline.

Introduction

We have come together as the church of God to fix our eyes upon Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, to encourage one another to hold fast to the hope he has given us, and to spur one another on to love and good deeds.

Psalm 105 says:

"Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; proclaim his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell about all his wonderful works!"

Let's now sing together:

Optional Song

O Come All Ye Faithful - [Link](#)

Optional Kid's Song

Go, Tell It On the Mountain - [Link](#)

Optional Kid's Spot

Quiz Worx Video - [Link](#)

Kid's Activity sheets are here: [Ages 2-4](#) | [Ages 5-8](#) | [Ages 9-12](#)

Bible Readings

The following, or another prayer may be said before the Bible readings

Open our hearts to receive your word, that we may know you better and be thoroughly equipped for every good work, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

1 Kings 12:20-33

²⁰When all Israel heard that Jeroboam had come back, they summoned him to the assembly and made him king over all Israel. No one followed the house of David except the tribe of Judah alone. ²¹When Rehoboam arrived in Jerusalem, he mobilized one hundred eighty thousand fit young soldiers from the entire house of Judah and the tribe of Benjamin to fight against the house of Israel to restore the kingdom to Rehoboam son of Solomon. ²²But the word of God came to Shemaiah, the man of God: ²³"Say to Rehoboam son of Solomon, king of Judah, to the whole house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the rest of the people, ²⁴"This is what the LORD says: You are

not to march up and fight against your brothers, the Israelites. Each of you return home, for this situation is from me.”

So they listened to the word of the LORD and went back according to the word of the LORD.

²⁵ Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim and lived there. From there he went out and built Penuel. ²⁶ Jeroboam said to himself, “The kingdom might now return to the house of David. ²⁷ If these people regularly go to offer sacrifices in the LORD’s temple in Jerusalem, the heart of these people will return to their lord, King Rehoboam of Judah. They will kill me and go back to the king of Judah.” ²⁸ So the king sought advice.

Then he made two golden calves, and he said to the people, “Going to Jerusalem is too difficult for you. Israel, here are your gods who brought you up from the land of Egypt.” ²⁹ He set up one in Bethel, and put the other in Dan. ³⁰ This led to sin; the people walked in procession before one of the calves all the way to Dan.

³¹ Jeroboam also made shrines on the high places and made priests from the ranks of the people who were not Levites. ³² Jeroboam made a festival in the eighth month on the fifteenth day of the month, like the festival in Judah. He offered sacrifices on the altar; he made this offering in Bethel to sacrifice to the calves he had made. He also stationed the priests in Bethel for the high places he had made. ³³ He offered sacrifices on the altar he had set up in Bethel on the fifteenth day of the eighth month. He chose this month on his own. He made a festival for the Israelites, offered sacrifices on the altar, and burned incense.

[Luke 4:31-44](#)

³¹ Then he went down to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbath. ³² They were astonished at his teaching because his message had authority. ³³ In the synagogue there was a man with an unclean demonic spirit who cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ “Leave us alone! What do you have to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

³⁵ But Jesus rebuked him and said, “Be silent and come out of him!” And throwing him down before them, the demon came out of him without hurting him at all.

³⁶ Amazement came over them all, and they were saying to one another, “What is this message? For he commands the unclean spirits with authority and power, and they come out!” ³⁷ And news about him began to go out to every place in the vicinity.

³⁸ After he left the synagogue, he entered Simon’s house. Simon’s mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. ³⁹ So he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up immediately and began to serve them.

⁴⁰When the sun was setting, all those who had anyone sick with various diseases brought them to him. As he laid his hands on each one of them, he healed them. ⁴¹Also, demons were coming out of many, shouting and saying, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Messiah.

⁴²When it was day, he went out and made his way to a deserted place. But the crowds were searching for him. They came to him and tried to keep him from leaving them. ⁴³But he said to them, "It is necessary for me to proclaim the good news about the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because I was sent for this purpose." ⁴⁴And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

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Sermon

Jim Douglass - [Luke 4:31-44](#)

Optional time for discussion or reflection

Prayer

Informal time of prayer or you could use the prayers below:

Our loving Heavenly Father, thank you for the rain and good harvests that are dispelling the end of last year's drought and giving us a little protection from bushfire menace. We thank you that many are rebuilding their lives as borders open and there is more freedom of movement and increased meeting numbers. Thank you for our three services each Sunday and for the joy of seeing one another again. Thanks for giving wisdom and integrity to our Prime Minister, Mr. Morrison, and other leaders in relation to safeguarding our national health.

Today we think of both students and teachers approaching the end of what has been a very challenging and strange year. Please help all those in education to finish well and make effective plans for start-up next year. Please guide students looking for work and those planning course applications. May each student be wise, practical, and well organised in application, interviews, and work preparations.

May each one of us attain wise priorities in all our many activities over this busy Christmas period. Help us to care for one another, to give and forgive, to welcome strangers and assist in outreach to our Church area. May the resources we have given for different projects be well used and accounted for.

Please Lord, look after and encourage Macarthur Indigenous Church and bless its minister Michael Duckett. May they all enjoy a blessed Christmas and may homes of hospitality be found for those who are alone. Guide Michael in his leadership and may he get some rest over the Christmas season.

We remember those who are single and facing loneliness over this season. Might they be well looked after and experience great joy in service and praising you for all your many benefits.

Please return our leaders to good health and assist them to cope with the busy activity of the Christmas season. May each parent be given creative ideas and persistence in teaching young folk in their care the reason for this season of celebration – which is the importance of your birth, dear Lord Jesus. Praise be to you for your wonderful gift of salvation.

Please keep us all safe as we travel and may there be true Christian love in all our families. We ask these things in the name of the Lord Jesus.
Amen.

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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

Optional Lord's Supper Service

You can prepare your own bread and juice and we will eat together.

[Video](#)

Optional Song

Angels We Have Heard On High (Gloria) - [Link](#)

Concluding Prayer

Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

November Offertory Update

November Budget: \$28,442 | Actual Giving: \$28,002

What's Happening:



3500 gifts have
all been made,
now we need help
to deliver them!

Gifts & delivery maps
can be collected on
Sat 12 December
8-10am or any Sunday

Questions? Please see Paula

SHARE THE LOVE BREAKFAST

AT NARELLAN ANGLICAN CHURCH



SATURDAY 12 DECEMBER
8AM

HELP SHARE THE LOVE OF
CHRISTMAS WHILE WE
SHARE BREAKFAST
TOGETHER & PURCHASE
GIFTS THAT LAST FROM
BARNABAS FUND | MERCY
SHIPS | COMPASSION |
CHRISTIAN BLIND MISSION

CASH & ONLINE GIVING
OPTIONS AVAILABLE

PLEASE BYO BREAKFAST
- NO SHARED PLATTERS -

USE CODE '**LOVE**' WHEN GIVING
ELECTRONICALLY



Rector Jim's ripper, jolly, remembering Jesus, Christmas Colouring In Competition!

Preschool to Year 2, see download link below.
Bring your completed sheet to Jim on Sunday for
a COVID high five! Great prizes to be won!

Winners will be announced & awarded
on Sunday 13th December

Colour in the picture and answer the question on the front,
then write your name and age on the back!

Download your colouring sheet [here](#)



CHRISTMAS SERVICE

CHRISTMAS EVE
THURS 24 DECEMBER
5PM & 7PM

CHRISTMAS DAY
FRI 25 DECEMBER
9AM & 10.30AM

1 SERVICE
4 TIMES

ONLINE
BOOKING
REQUIRED

 trybooking

BOOK ONLINE [HERE](#)

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