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of the Kulin nation as the traditional
custodians of the land and paying
respect to their elders
past, present and emerging.

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Agnus Dei

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Alleluia, alleluia,
for our Lord God almighty reigns.
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Alleluia.



Holy, holy

are you Lord God almighty.

Worthy is the lamb;

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Before the Throne of God Above

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Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong,
a perfect plea,



a great High Priest
whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.



My name is graven
on his hands,
my name is written
on his heart;



I know that while
in heaven he stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.



When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see him there,
who made an end to all my sin.



Because my sinless saviour died
my sinful soul
is counted free;



for God the just is satisfied
to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.



Behold him there!

The risen Lamb, my perfect,
spotless righteousness;



the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of Glory
and of grace!



One with himself I cannot die,
my soul is purchased
with his blood;



my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my saviour and my God,
with Christ my saviour and my God.

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The Prayer of Thanksgiving





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Bible Reading

Isaiah 58:6-9

“No, this is the kind of fasting I want:
Free those who are wrongly imprisoned;
lighten the burden of those who work for you.
Let the oppressed go free,
and remove the chains that bind people.
Share your food with the hungry,
and give shelter to the homeless.



Bible Reading

Isaiah 58:6-9

Give clothes to those who need them,
and do not hide from relatives who need your
help.

“Then your salvation will come like the dawn,
and your wounds will quickly heal.

Your godliness will lead you forward,
and the glory of the Lord will protect you from
behind.



Bible Reading

Isaiah 58:6-9

Then when you call, the Lord will answer.

‘Yes, I am here,’ he will quickly reply.

“Remove the heavy yoke of oppression.

Stop pointing your finger and spreading vicious rumors!



Bible Reading

Reader: Hear the word of the Lord
Response: **Thanks be to God**



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

One Sabbath day Jesus went to eat dinner in the home of a leader of the Pharisees, and the people were watching him closely. There was a man there whose arms and legs were swollen. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in religious law, “Is it permitted in the law to heal people on the Sabbath day, or not?”

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Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

When they refused to answer, Jesus touched the sick man and healed him and sent him away. Then he turned to them and said, “Which of you doesn’t work on the Sabbath? If your son or your cow falls into a pit, don’t you rush to get him out?” Again they could not answer.



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table, he gave them this advice: "When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honor. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited? The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.'



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

Then you will be embarrassed, and you will have to take whatever seat is left at the foot of the table! “Instead, take the lowest place at the foot of the table. Then when your host sees you, he will come and say, ‘Friend, we have a better place for you!’ Then you will be honored in front of all the other guests.



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” Then he turned to his host. “When you put on a luncheon or a banquet,” he said, “don’t invite your friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward.



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you." Hearing this, a man sitting at the table with Jesus exclaimed, "What a blessing it will be to attend a banquet in the Kingdom of God!"



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

Jesus replied with this story: "A man prepared a great feast and sent out many invitations. When the banquet was ready, he sent his servant to tell the guests, 'Come, the banquet is ready.' But they all began making excuses. One said, 'I have just bought a field and must inspect it. Please excuse me.'



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

Another said, 'I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me.' Another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' "The servant returned and told his master what they had said. His master was furious and said, 'Go quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and invite the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.'



Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-24

After the servant had done this, he reported, 'There is still room for more.' So his master said, 'Go out into the country lanes and behind the hedges and urge anyone you find to come, so that the house will be full. For none of those I first invited will get even the smallest taste of my banquet.'"

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Reader: Hear the Gospel of the Lord
Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ**





If Jesus Came to Dinner...

#4: A NEW GUEST LIST



A Prayer of Confession





Forgiven



Response to Intercessions

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.



Prayer for Reconciliation

**God of yesterday,
today and tomorrow,
God of all people,
created in your image,**



Prayer for Reconciliation

**we acknowledge Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islanders
as the traditional custodians
of this land.**



Prayer for Reconciliation

**We repent of the sins of our past
against Aboriginal Australians,
and the injustices that continue
to this day.**



Prayer for Reconciliation

**In your Son, Jesus Christ,
we have been reconciled to you,
and are called to be agents
of reconciliation in the world.**



Prayer for Reconciliation

**By your Holy Spirit,
give us wisdom and humility
as we seek justice for Aboriginal
Australians.**

Amen.



The Lord's Prayer





Commissioning one another

Keep us in this hope

that we have grasped;

so we and all your children shall be

free, and the whole earth

live to praise your name.



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When I Survey

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When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.



Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things
that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood



See from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?



Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small,
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.





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Go in peace to love
and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.



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