

## **Celebration service, 24 October 2021**

Pentecost 22

### ***Greeting with news and notices***

*(Offerings will be placed in the Offering bags as you come in)*

### ***Call to Worship*** – The Message 126

<sup>1-3</sup> It seemed like a dream, too good to be true,  
when God returned Zion's exiles.

**We laughed, we sang,  
we couldn't believe our good fortune.**

We were the talk of the nations—  
"God was wonderful to them!"

**God was wonderful to us;  
we are one happy people.**

<sup>4-6</sup> And now, God, do it again—  
bring rains to our drought-stricken lives

**So those who planted their crops in despair  
will shout "Yes!" at the harvest,**

So those who went off with heavy hearts  
will come home laughing, with armloads of blessing.

*(Chrissie will introduce the first hymn)*

***We sing*** – Praise to the Lord, for the joys of the earth, Words © WGRG, The Iona community, *CH4*, #165, vv  
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***We are sorry***

***God forgives us***

***Celebration Time***

***Story with activities***

***We sing*** – God who sets us on a journey, words: © Joy Dine Tune: Hyfrydol (*CH3* 437)

***Gospel reading***

***Reflection***

***Prayers of Intercession***

***Offering***

*(Don will introduce the last hymn)*

***We sing*** – For the fruits of all creation, © CH4 231 Tune: *Ar Hyd Y Nos CH4* #562

***Blessing (Altogether)***

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**The love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
Be with us all now and forever.**

**Threefold AMEN**