



Sunday 25 February 2018

# Crows Nest Uniting Church

Shirley Road, Wollstonecraft

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*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent in the Year of Mark*

**10.00 am, Sunday 25 February 2018**

Welcome to this time of worship and community. We hope you find the service helpful and encouraging. We will be following this order to guide our prayer and praise, and we invite you to join in the responses printed in **bold type**.

## **GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ of the passionate journey,  
Walking towards the day of risk in courage and love:

**WE WORSHIP YOU**

Christ of the straight road to life,  
Never moving to easier paths,  
Eyes focussed on the cross ahead,  
And the risen life beyond

**WE WORSHIP YOU,**

**CALL US ON, JESUS CHRIST, CALL US ON**

### PRAYERS OF APPROACH

HYMN 107 Sing praise and thanksgiving

### PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE PEACE The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

(You may like to exchange a sign of peace with those nearby)

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – see Service Sheet

HYMN 493 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters

# RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet:

**a light to our path**

FIRST READING – Genesis 17 : 1-7, 15-16

SECOND READING – Psalm 22 : 22-31

GOSPEL READING – Mark 8 : 31-38

Music for reflection

SERMON

HYMN – 351 Lift high the cross

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Music to lead us into prayer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 571 Forth in thy name

BLESSING, with Threefold Amen

Postlude