

Friday morning worship

What	Sound	Video
Gathering music – CD track 1	COTA, <i>Ordo</i> : Invocation	
Acknowledgement of the land We gather – Christ’s people – on land of which the Wurundjeri people have been the traditional custodians since time immemorial. We honour the elders of the Wurundjeri and commit ourselves to working for reconciliation with them. We gather – Christ’s people – to join our story with God’s ongoing story of creation, redemption, life and love. May they unfold together, in this place today.		
Meditation (with visual background) Way, way before time you created a world: the seas parted and earth was formed. And from the clay of the earth, Life, primeval, formless, emerged. <i>how did that idea come to you God?</i> It was so long ago that all our memory – all our collective memories and even those memories told to us through the stories of our faith, and the stories of the land - memories that span thousands of years - they’re simply a flicker in your memory <i>a fraction of a second in successive millennia</i> forgive us for treating all we know as all there is to know, God forgive us for thinking this moment in time is permanent, forgive us when we imagine that we are the conclusion of your plan for the world forgive us when we believe that you see history and future with the same eyes that we do		Baraka clip

<p>forgive us when we forget that we are made from clay, and to clay we will return</p> <p><i>and if all our history is hypothesis, if all our future is possibility can we learn to live in this moment as if it is pure gift from you...</i></p>		
<p>Bible reading: <i>Vanity swf</i></p>		<p>Vanity_of_Vanities Dvd track 2</p>
<p>Spoken bit from front</p> <p>The writer of Ecclesiastes is beyond looking for platitudes or baseless hope. He's not looking for a way out of his despair. His faith doesn't rely on feeling better, on holding the future securely. The curious peace he alludes to throughout the book of Ecclesiastes is discovered only through knowing this truth: that all he does is in vain, that all is temporary... that inevitably, what came from clay will return to clay.</p> <p>And the writer of Ecclesiastes discovers the truth that can only be discovered when one accepts that inevitability: that the only faithful response to God, is to look for the life in the only thing we have in our grasp – this moment right now. To live what brings life in this very moment.</p> <p>To know whether this is the moment To eat the bread. To drink the wine. To dance. To laugh. To sow or to reap. To build or destruct. To hold on or let go.</p> <p>For the next ten minutes I invite you to reflect on what you bring to this conference... what are the things that are stopping you from living in this moment – those expectations or memories that are holding you to the past or are pulling you to the future. And what is the faithful thing for you to be doing in this moment.</p>		<p>Black screen</p>

<i>Introduce stations</i>		
Stations around room	Lou Rhodes: Each Moment New No Re-run	Baraka clip: People of different faiths worshipping
<p>Final prayer Let us pray for the day...</p> <p>Take the clay of our lives, God, and shape it to love take the clay of the church and shape it to grace take the clay of the world and shape it to peace take the clay of today and shape it to hope. and then breathe your spirit into all. again.</p> <p>for ever and ever. amen.</p>		
Final track	King Britt: New World in My View	