

KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN 10am – Sunday 14 April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter Ratapu tuatoru o te Aranga

Pre-service "Herzlich tut mich verlangen- O sacred head sore wounded" Gottfried Kirchhoff (1685-1756)
played by Grace Togneri. "Cantilena" Charles Camilleri (1931-2009) played by Carolyn Schmid

Introit "I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me" Revelation 13:14, music John Goss (1800-80)

Carolyn Schmid/ organ

Welcome

Kia noho a Ihowā ki a koutou. The Lord be with you all.

Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

Call to Worship

We are the children of God, called to see before us the risen life of Christ We have reached out and touched this life, in gifts of faith and hope Here, in this place, as in all places, the Christ is among us.

Let us worship the living God!

Hymn

1 Alive to the presence and purpose of God; in Christ's name we're gathered the people of God.

Alive to God's presence and open to hear God's word in our lives and God's call to come near.

Come and sing! Praises bring! In Jesus we live!

Come and praise, laugh and sing! New hope God will give!

Alive to the presence and purpose of God, God's word in our lives and God's call to come near.

2 Alive to the presence of God in the world, who meets us as strangers, the young and the old.

Alive to the closeness of Jesus, set free to live out the Good News through you and through me.

tune: To God be the Glory CH4 512 - words $^{\circ}$ David Manton

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Come and praise, laugh and sing! New hope God will give!

Alive to the presence and purpose of God, who lives out the Good News through you and through me.

3 Alive to God's purpose of justice and care, To build a new future, defeating despair. Alive to God's newness, new days will unfold.

God's Spirit gives new ways in place of the old

Come and sing! Praises bring! In Jesus we live!

Come and praise, laugh and sing! New hope God will give!

Alive to the presence and purpose of God, God's Spirit gives new ways in place of the old.

Prayer Confession

(based on Psalm 4)

Answer me when I call, O God of my heart!

You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

How long shall we continue to wound you and each other, loving God, to utter vain words and bring shame upon you?

Know that our God hears when we call and is for ever faithful to those who follow.

We confess to our anger and fear.

Yet you say to us: when you are disturbed, do not lash out; ponder it on your beds, and be silent.

We confess to our despair and our hurt

Yet you say to us: continue to live and serve in faith - put your trust in me!

We confess hungering for the abundance of the world

Yet you say to us: give and serve into the pain and need of the world that all might know your abundant love.

But this we know: You have put gladness in our hearts more than all the rewards that the world can provide

We will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O God, make us lie down in safety.

Words of Assurance we remain seated to sing

based on Ps 46:10, tune CH4 755

Be still and know that I am God In you, O God, I put my trust Be still and know that I am God In you, O God, I put my trust Be still and know that I am God In you, O God, I put my trust

We are forgiven, we are set free. Thanks be to God

The Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou:

The Peace of Christ be with you all. Ki a koe ano hoki. And also with you

Please stand and make a gesture of peace towards people around you.

Time with Tamariki

Anthem "The Lamb" text William Blake (1789), music John Tavener (1944-2013)

(He is called by thy name, For he calls himself a lamb. He is meek and he is mild, He became a little child. I a child and thou a lamb, We are called by his name).

Carolyn Schmid/ organ

First reading: Acts 3:12-19

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel reading: Luke 24:36b-48

In this is the Word of God. Praise to Christ the Word

Hymn

1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,

Be there at our waking and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord at the break of the day.

2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,

be there at our labours and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

tune: Slane CH4 500 – words: Jane Struther

3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,

be there at our homing and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,

be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Sermon

Holy Communion

stood.

The Invitation

Communion Hymn

1 Now to your table spread we come, each one, in faith

that you alone provide the words of life and death:

in wine and bread, in promised food we find your loving heart, O God.

2 Hands of the world stretch out, your mystery to touch in longing to believe a truth beyond our reach, to sing in joy, to cry in grief, to know your meaning for our life.

tune: *Love Unknown* AA 100 – words: Shirley Murray 3 Here is our common wealth in sharing what

is good, as though all humankind around one table

this bread to break, this wine to taste - one people in the name of Christ.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May God be with you **And also with you.**Lift up your hearts **We lift them to our God**

Let us give thanks to our gracious God It is right to give our thanks and praise

... And so we praise you, joining with the people of all time who have looked to you in hope and proclaim your glory to say:

Holy Holy God with us. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues...

... we sing together AA 112

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth, as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen.

The Distribution "Adagio" from Three Chorales, César Franck (1822-90)

Prayer after Communion

Offering Prayer (Please stand as the offering is brought forward)

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Notices

Hymn

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

tune: Lyngham CH4 352(2) – words: Charles Wesley 3 He speaks and, listening to His voice, new life the dead receive.

The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

4 Glory to God, and praise, and love be ever, ever given by saints below and saints above; the Church in earth and heaven.

Sending out & Benediction

... now and always. [Sung] Amen

Postlude "Trumpeting Organ Morgan" Karl Jenkins (Play alone at night to anyone who will listen, lovers, revelers, the silent dead. Dylan Thomas)

Serving today

Minister – Margaret Garland Organist and Choir Director - Karen Knudson Reader – Vanessa Sinclair Welcoming team – David Mann's team Counting team – team 4

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