

KNOX CHURCH, ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN

10am – Tekau ma waru Mei (18 May) 2025

Fifth Sunday after Easter Rātapu tuarima i muri te Aranga

Organ music Waiata Ōkana *Prelude,* from *Three Pieces for Withycombe* - Philip Moore (b. 1943)

**Pastoral Song, from the Organ Book - Jean Langlais (1907-91) played by Robbie Eyers

Choir Kaiwaiata "Love divine all loves excelling" text Charles Wesley (1747)

music Howard Goodall (b. 1958)

Greeting and welcome Rāhiritanga

Kia noho a Ihowā ki a koutou. The Lord be with you. Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

Call to Worship Karanga ki te karakia

Praise God from the heavens!

Praise God from the skies above!

Praise God, angels and all the hosts of heaven!

Praise God, sun and moon, and shining stars!

Praise God, all creatures great and small,

Praise God, animals and birds, reptiles and fish!

Praise God, kings of the earth and people everywhere,

Praise God, men and women, young and old!

Let all the earth bring praise to the Lord, at whose word creation came into being.

We gather to praise and worship our God.

Hymn Himene

CH4 149 - Brian Wren

1 Let all creation dance in energies sublime, as order turns with chance, unfolding space and time: for nature's art in glory grows, and newly shows God's mind and heart.

2 Our own amazing earth, with sunlight, cloud, and storms, and life's abundant growth in lovely shapes and forms

is made for praise, a fragile whole, and from its soul heaven's music plays.

3 Lift heart and soul and voice: in Christ all praises meet, and nature shall rejoice as all is made complete. In hope be strong, all life befriend, and kindly tend creation's song.

We pray Ka inoi mātou

Words of assurance

E te whanau a te Karaiti, ... we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God**

Sharing the peace of Christ

Kia tāu te rangimārie o te Karaiti ki a koutou; The peace of Christ be with you all **Ki a koe anō hoki. And also with you**Please stand and make a gesture of peace towards people around you

With the whanau

We sing words: Peter Scholtes

1 We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord (x2)

and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love

yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love

2 We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand (x2) and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

And they'll know...

3 We will work with each other, we will work side by side (x2) and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

And they'll know...

4 All praise to the Father from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son and all praise to the Spirit, who makes all things one.

And they'll know...

1st Bible Reading Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuatahi: Acts 11:1-18

Whakarongo ki te Wairua Tapu, Listen to the Holy Spirit.

Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.

2nd Bible Reading Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuarua: John 13:31-35

Whakarongo ki te Kupu a te Atua, Listen for the Word of God.

Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.

Choir Kaiwaiata "O breath of life come sweeping through us" music Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

(Revive Your church with life and power. O Breath of life, come, cleanse, renew us, And fit Your church to meet this hour)

Sermon Kauwhau

At the conclusion of this Hymn, a basket of donated items for the Presbyterian Support foodbank will be brought forward and dedicated. If you wish to contribute financially to the work of Knox Church and you are not on our electronic giving system, please place your cash offering in one of the donation boxes at the back of the church as you leave. Thank you for your support.

1 We sing a love that sets all people free, that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame, enfolds the earth, springs up like water clear:

come, living love, live in our hearts today.

2 We sing a love that seeks another's good, that longs to serve and not to count the cost,

a love that, yielding, finds itself made new: come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

3 We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid to be itself, despite another's wrath, a love that stands alone and undismayed: come, strengthening love, live in our hearts today.

4 We sing a love, that, wandering, will not rest until it finds its way, its home, its source, through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed:

come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

5 We sing a burning, fiery, Holy Ghost that seeks out shades of ancient bitterness, transfiguring these, as Christ in every heart:

come joyful love, live in our hearts today.

Dedication of the Offering Te Whakatapunga o ngā Koha

Choir Kaiwaiata "Ave Verum Corpus- Hail true body" WA Mozart (1756-91)

We pray for others and ourselves concluding with the Lord's Prayer

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āianei
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Āua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria, Āke āke āke. Āmine.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today 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.

Notices Pānui

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive; built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome.

2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: [Refrain]

3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: [Refrain]

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: [Refrain]

5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: [Refrain]

Benediction Te Manaakitanga & threefold Amen

Organ music Waiata Ōkana *Praeludium und Fuga in C major* BuxWV 136 - Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707) played by Peter Stockwell

Evening service – 7pm – Women of Faith: Joan Taylor on the Early Church Women Disciples and Leaders – led by Margaret Garland

Serving today

Member – Anne Thomson Organist and Choir Director - Karen Knudson Reader – Alexa Choie Prayer – Janet Sim Elder Welcoming – Helen Thew's team

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