



KNOX CHURCH

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Order of Service

30 April 2017



THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

WELCOME TO KNOX

Knox Church is a congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand. We aim to create Christian community in which people of all ages, sexual orientations, cultural backgrounds and socio-economic situations are included as equally valued participants in our congregational life. We cherish our diversity, offering a safe place of belonging to any who wish to explore their beliefs in an atmosphere promoting discussion, the development of healthy relationships and spiritual growth. We strive to be open to dialogue and shared experiences with people of other faiths. We enjoy worshipping the God made known in Jesus, endeavouring to do so in ways that are relevant to our daily lives, respect the integrity of creation, and make a positive difference to our wider world.

A loop system for hearing aids operates at Knox.

Toilets are available through the door on the lectern side of the sanctuary.

The Call to Worship:

We light a candle in the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

**JESUS, WHO MEETS US ON THE ROAD AND WALKS BY OUR SIDE;
JESUS, WHO OPENS OLD HOPES TO OUR HEARING;
JESUS, IN WHOSE COMPANY OUR HEARTS BURN WITHIN US.**

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. God be with you.

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hymn:

Kelvingrove

Scottish Traditional Tune

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1. Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave your self behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare,
will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

John Bell (b. 1949)

Prayer of Approach

Last week the disciples may have been hiding
behind their closed doors in Jerusalem,

**PROCESSING ALL MANNER OF MYSTERY
IN THE CITY.**

At the same time, others in the "Jesus family"
spent that self-same day
leaving the scene, going back home.

LET'S GO BACK TO BEFORE IT BEGAN.

LET'S GO BACK TO BEFORE HOPE HAD SHONE WITHIN US.

Yet on the road, someone joined us.

HE ASKED US QUESTIONS.

HE TOLD US STORIES.

Beginning with Moses,
he explained the story of the One we'd come to see.
He broke bread with us.

**OUR EYES WERE OPENED,
OUR HEARTS BURNED WITHIN US;
WE KNEW THAT CHRIST WAS RISEN.**

He turned our sad journey into a brave new adventure.

**WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME
IF I BUT CALL YOUR NAME?
WILL YOU GO WHERE YOU DON'T KNOW
AND NEVER BE THE SAME?**

So now, many years later,
we new bearers of the Easter story
find ourselves walking our own road away from mystery and resurrection.

**WILL YOU JOIN US IN OUR WALKING?
WILL YOU SPEAK TO OUR FRIGHTENED HEARTS?
WILL YOU OPEN TO OUR EYES THE WONDER OF YOUR PRESENCE?**

Bless us with your company on our road, O God.
Take from us the burdens we long no longer to carry.
Hear our confession of the things that blight our travelling,
and, in your mercy, forgive us.

Lord have mercy.
CHRIST HAVE MERCY.
Lord have mercy.

Assurance and Response

. . . In the name of Christ I say to you:
You are forgiven and you are free.
THANKS BE TO GOD.

Prayer of Supplication:

O God, whose Son, Jesus, joined the Emmaus travellers on the road,
it is your way to join us as we travel through life.

**WHETHER WE TRAVEL TOWARDS REJOICING,
OR RUN FROM THINGS WE FEAR,
OPEN TO US THE SCRIPTURES
AND THE WONDER OF YOUR RESURRECTION.**

Bless us with the ability to sense your presence,
AND GIVE US HEARTS THAT BURN WITH LOVE AND GRATITUDE.

This is our prayer
through Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying:

**. . . 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 FOR EVER. AMEN.**

The Passing of the Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou.
The peace of Christ be with you all.

**A KI A KOE ANO HOKI;
AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

We exchange a sign of peace with one another.

If there are younger ones present
A Conversation with the Younger Ones

Although there is no Sunday School today, young ones are welcome to enjoy the activity corner at the back of the church where they will find toys and an activity sheet. Sunday School begins again on 7 May.

The First Lesson: Luke 24: 13-27

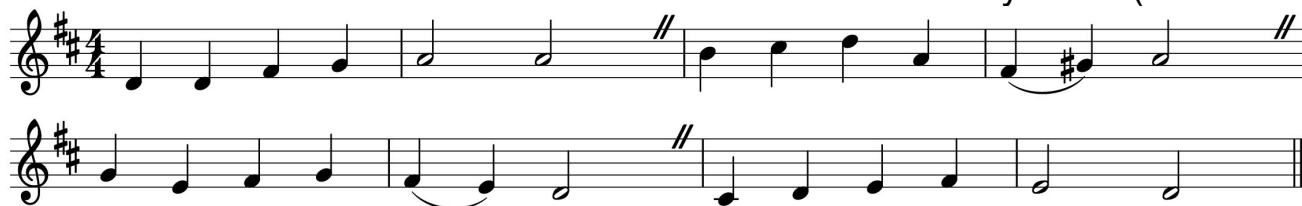
The Continuation: Luke 24: 28-35

This is the gospel of Christ.
PRAISE TO CHRIST THE WORD.

Hymn:

Ravenshaw

William Henry Monk (1823-1889)



1. God, your word abiding,
and our footsteps guiding,
gives us joy forever,
binds us all together.
2. Who can tell the pleasure,
who recount the treasure,
by your word imparted
to the honest hearted?
3. Word of mercy, giving
succour to the living;
word of life, supplying
comfort to the dying:
4. O that we, discerning
its most holy learning,
God, may love and fear you,
evermore be near you.

Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)

Sermon:

*Generally, sermons are posted on our website shortly after the service at: <http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/sermons.html>
Hard copies of the sermons are available before and after the service – ask the person at the door.*

Music for Reflection: Christus der ist mein Leben
Gustav Merkel (1827-1885)

Hymn:

Crüger

Johann Crüger (1598-1662)



1. Light of the minds that know him,
may Christ be light to mine!
My sun in risen splendor,
my light of truth divine;
my guide in doubt and darkness,
my true and living way,
my clear light ever shining,
my dawn of heaven's day.
2. Life of the souls that love him,
may Christ be ours indeed!
The living Bread from heaven
on whom our spirits feed;
who lived for love of others,
who heaven's story told,
and made of our life's journey
a new Emmaus road.
3. Strength of the wills that serve him,
may Christ be strength to me,
who stilled the storm and tempest,
who calmed the tossing sea;
his Spirit's power to move me,
his will to master mine,
his cross to carry daily
and conquer in his sign.
4. May it be ours to know him
that we may truly love,
and loving, fully serve him
as serve the saints above;
till in that home of glory
with fadeless splendour bright,
we serve in perfect freedom
our strength, our life, our light.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Kim Bathgate

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

An ordinary walk through the day is turned from sadness into life.

**JESUS' COMPANY OPENS EYES
AND PUTS WARMTH INTO HUMAN HEARTS.**

May Jesus' company do the same with our offering:
turning the banal into wonder,
THE DEFEATED INTO HOPING,

the disengagement into flames of faith,
**THE SLOW WALK HOME
INTO THE STORMING OF HEAVEN.**

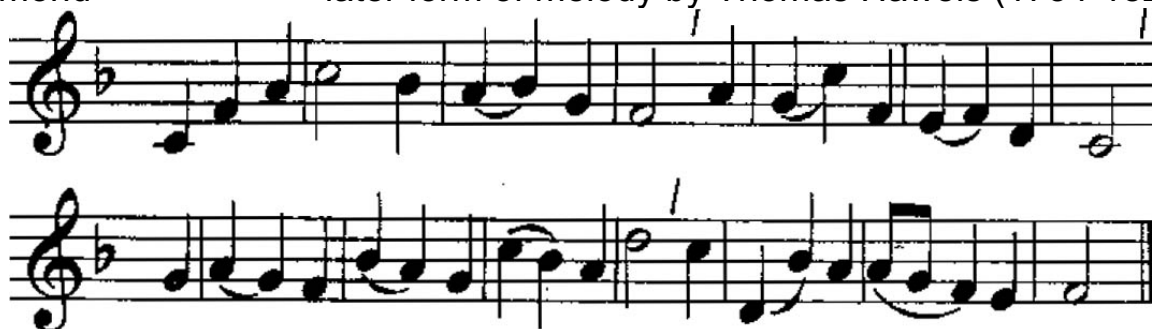
Bless what we bring,
**FOR THE BLESSING OF THE WORLD.
AMEN.**

Notices

Hymn:

Richmond

later form of melody by Thomas Haweis (1734-1820)



1. Fill thou my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
thy being and thy ways.
2. Not for the lip of praise alone
nor ev'n the praising heart
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part:
3. Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and mean.
4. Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of thee and of thy love, O Lord,
poor though I be and weak.
5. So shalt thou, Lord, receive from me
the praise and glory due;
and so shall I begin on earth
the song for ever new.
6. So shall no part of day or night
unblessed or common be,
but all my life, in every step
be fellowship with thee.

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Finale in D Minor
Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

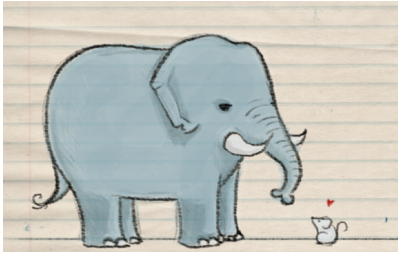
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OUR “NEXT CHAPTER” MISSION DISCERNMENT AT KNOX

After church today, we gather for our second Mission Discernment forum. Even if you missed the first forum, please be encouraged to attend the second.

Forum Two



BIG & LITTLE THINGS

30 April, 11:30am – 12:30pm, soup break, then 12:50pm – 1:50pm

- God in the ordinary stuff of our lives,
- Big themes from the biggest story,
- Our bottom lines and big drivers,
- Closing Reflection: Looking at “the Father / Creator”

If you are interested in studying at Laidlaw College this July or in 2018, come to our Open Night on 11 May!

You will be able to explore our programmes in **theology and biblical studies, mission, ministry, counselling and teacher education.**

This includes those who are interested in studying via distance learning, attending evening classes or block courses, and those who are thinking about pursuing postgraduate study in theology.

CHRISTCHURCH

Thursday 11 May | 7pm
70 Condell Avenue
Papanui

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— We'd love you to join us!

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NOTICES

This Week: 29 April 2017 – 5 May 2017

Today 10.00 am Morning Worship.
2.30pm Songs of a Distant Land – **see below**
Wednesday 10.00 am Bible Study in Committee Room

Next Week: 6 May 2017 – 12 May 2017

Saturday 7.00pm Film – A Walk to Beautiful – **see below**
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship.
2.30pm Canterbury Philharmonia Concert – **see below**
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study in Committee Room

Songs of a Distant Land – An afternoon of your favourite musical theatre numbers, art songs and arias, both sacred and secular. Sunday 30th April 2.30pm at Knox Church. Programme Entry \$5.

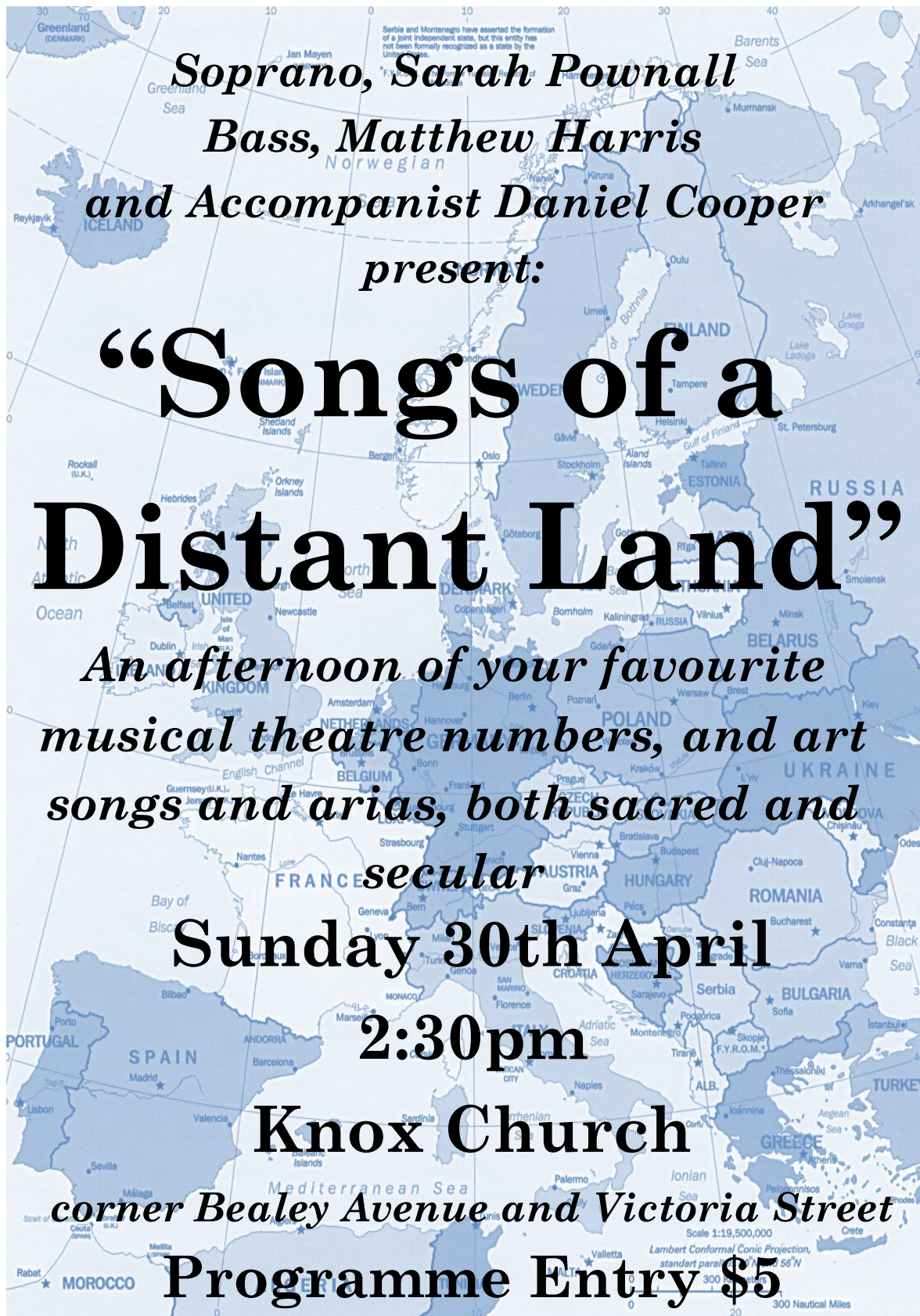
Film – A Walk to Beautiful – Hamlin Fistula NZ will present a free community screening of the Emmy award-winning documentary ***A Walk to Beautiful***. It will be screened at the Transitional Cathedral on Saturday 6 May at 7pm. Entrance is free. Donations are welcomed towards the work of Hamlin Fistula NZ. A trailer for the movie can be viewed at: <http://www.hamlinfistula.org.nz/news.html>

Canterbury Philharmonia Concert – First concert for 2017 with guest artist Trio D'Or from Papanui High School and soloists Gabriel Baird (Burnside High School) and Finn van Dorsser (St. Andrews College). Sunday 7 May, 2.30pm at The Piano, Armagh St. Tickets at the door - \$25 (adults), \$10 (under 18) . Presale tickets available from Erika White 3427323.

Knox Fireside Group - The next meeting of the Knox Fireside Group will be on Monday May 15 at 7.30pm in the Knox lounge. The speaker will be Lucy Carey Dietician who will speak about diet and cooking as we get older. All Welcome.

Knox church values the support of all who are involved in our community's life.

For those who wish to contribute financially, charitable donations are eligible for a tax rebate of 33%. Options are available for giving; for information please contact our Donation Secretary, Janet Wilson, ph 338 7203, email janetwilson@clear.net.nz



*Soprano, Sarah Pownall
Bass, Matthew Harris
and Accompanist Daniel Cooper
present:*

“Songs of a Distant Land”

*An afternoon of your favourite
musical theatre numbers, and art
songs and arias, both sacred and
secular*

Sunday 30th April

2:30pm

Knox Church

corner Bealey Avenue and Victoria Street

Programme Entry \$5



The Bible reading for next week will be:

- John 10: 1-10

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and putting it in the offering bag.

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