



# KNØX CHURCH

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## **Order of Service** **5 November 2017**

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## **SAINTS** **ON THE STREETS OF LONDON** A COMMUNION SERVICE FOR ALL SAINTS

## 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.

This is a communion service. On the understanding that God desires to nurture people at every stage of their journey, the table at Knox is an open one.

Members of any denomination, as well as any who are seeking God sincerely, are welcome to receive communion here.

### The Call to Worship:

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

**JESUS, HEARING THE CRYING WORLD, RESPONDING IN LOVE;  
JESUS, GIVING DIGNITY AND JOY TO THOSE WHO LOVE HIM;  
JESUS, GOD'S RADIANCE AND GOODNESS.**

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

**MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.**

### Hymn:

Sine Nomine

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)





1. For all the saints who from their labour's rest,  
who to the world their steadfast faith confessed,  
your name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.  
Alleluia!
2. You were their rock, the refuge and their might:  
you, Christ, the hope that put their fears to flight;  
mid gloom and doubt, you were their one true light.  
Alleluia!
3. Still may your people, faithful, true and bold,  
live as the saints who nobly lived of old  
and in our lives your liberty behold.  
Alleluia!
4. Ringed by this cloud of witnesses divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet in your love our faithful lives entwine.  
Alleluia!
5. And when the strife is fierce, the struggle long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
then hearts are brave again, and faith grows strong.  
Alleluia!

*William W. How (1823-1897), alt.*

### **Prayer of Approach**

Giving thanks for those who went before us,  
giving thanks for their faith,  
giving thanks for the hope in their hearts,  
and the vision in their eye,  
**WE SING OF THE SAINTS OF GOD.**

Giving thanks for our place in the family,  
for our stretch of the road,

giving thanks for feet on earth,  
and hopes in heaven,  
**WE SING OF THE SAINTS OF GOD.**

Giving thanks for a God who listens,  
giving thanks for a God who blesses,  
giving thanks for a God in whom shame is lifted,  
and radiance given,  
**WE SING OF THE SAINTS OF GOD.**

May our song be true,  
**GIVING GLORY TO GOD.**  
I will bless God at all times;  
**GOD'S PRAISE SHALL CONTINUALLY  
BE IN MY MOUTH.**

We also offer our confession,  
for we have served fear and judgment.  
We have preyed on one another,  
rather than protected.  
We have not treated one another  
with the dignity that is properly the right  
of the work of God's hands.

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.**  
**AMEN.**

### **The Notices**

**Scripture Lesson:** Psalm 34: 1-10, 22

In this is the Word of God.  
**THANKS BE TO GOD.**

*If there are younger ones present*

**A Conversation with the Younger Ones**

**Young People's Blessing:**

Young ones, go to your worship with our blessing.

**TAKE OUR FAITH AND HOPE;**

**MAKE NEW THINGS WITH WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN.**

**MAY GOD BLESS AND GROW YOU.**

**AMEN.**

*Young ones are welcome to move through to the Sala del Sol (upstairs in the Knox Centre) for well supervised, faith-based youth activities.*

**Knox Singers:** Gloria in excelsis Deo  
Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

**Sermon:** London, Paris, Christchurch - looking for the saints  
*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.*

**Prayers for Others and Ourselves**

In the prayers, to the minister's words "A psalm of a saint of God", you are invited to respond "**LET IT BE OUR SONG**".

. . . **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 Offering and Dedication

*We stand for the dedication of the Offering.*

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.  
Through your goodness, we have this money to offer,  
which we have earned  
using the talents that you have given us.  
It will further the work of your kingdom.  
**BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.**

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.  
**BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.**

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us our spiritual drink.  
**BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER,  
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, 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.*

## Communion Hymn:

Gwalchmai

Joseph David Jones (1827-1870)





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| <p>1. King of glory, King of peace,<br/>I will love thee;<br/>and, that love may never cease,<br/>I will move thee.<br/>Thou hast granted my request,<br/>thou hast heard me;<br/>thou didst note my working breast,<br/>thou hast spared me.</p> | <p>2. Wherefore with my utmost art<br/>I will sing thee,<br/>and the cream of all my heart<br/>I will bring thee.<br/>Though my sins against me cried,<br/>thou didst clear me;<br/>and alone, when they replied,<br/>thou didst hear me.</p> |
| <p>3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,<br/>I will praise thee;<br/>in my heart, though not in heaven,<br/>I can raise thee.<br/>Small it is, in this poor sort<br/>to enrol thee:<br/>ev'n eternity's too short<br/>to extol thee.</p>         |   |

*George Herbert (1593-1633)*

*We sit for*

**The Invitation, Institution and Setting Apart of the Elements**

**The Great Eucharistic Prayer:**

May God be with you.

**AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Lift up your hearts.

**WE LIFT THEM TO GOD.**

Let us give thanks to the world's creator.

**IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

It is right indeed . . .

**The Breaking of the Bread**

### Lamb of God:

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
**HAVE MERCY ON US.**  
JESUS, BEARER OF OUR SINS,  
**HAVE MERCY ON US.**  
JESUS, REDEEMER OF THE WORLD,  
**GRANT US YOUR PEACE.**

### The Communion

*For the distribution, please come forward to the table,  
receive some bread from the loaf, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat.  
If you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice or gluten free bread  
please take communion from the server with the communion tray.*

### The Prayer After Communion

Eternal God,  
we give you thanks and praise  
that while we were still far off  
you met us in your Son, and brought us home.

**MAY WE WHO SHARE HIS BREAD  
LIVE HIS RISEN LIFE;  
WE WHO DRINK HIS CUP  
BRING LIFE TO OTHERS;  
WE WHOM THE SPIRIT LIGHTS  
GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD,  
THAT ALL YOUR CHILDREN SHALL BE FREE,  
AND THE WHOLE EARTH LIVE TO PRAISE YOUR NAME. AMEN.**

### Hymn:

Thornbury

Basil Harwood (1859-1949)







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| <p>1. Your hand, O God has guided<br/>your flock from age to age;<br/>the wondrous tale is written,<br/>full clear, on every page;<br/>your people owned your goodness,<br/>and we their deeds record;<br/>and both of this bear witness,<br/><i>one Church, one Faith, one Lord.</i></p> | <p>2. Through many a day of darkness,<br/>through many a scene of strife,<br/>the faithful few lived bravely<br/>to guard the gospel's life.<br/>Their gospel of redemption,<br/>sin pardoned, life restored,<br/>was all in this enfolded:<br/><i>one Church, one Faith, one Lord.</i></p> |
| <p>3. Your mercy will not fail us,<br/>nor leave your work undone;<br/>with your right hand to help us,<br/>your victory shall be won;<br/>and then, by all creation,<br/>your name shall be adored,<br/>and this shall be our anthem,<br/><i>one Church, one Faith, one Lord.</i></p>    |   |

*Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891) alt.*

## **Benediction and Sung Amen**

**Postlude:** Fantasia on "A mighty fortress is our God"  
Jan Zwart (1877-1937)

Tea and coffee are served in the Knox Centre Lounge following the morning service

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## NOTICES

### **This Week: 5 November – 11 November 2017**

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship  
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

### **Next Week: 12 November – 18 November 2017**

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship  
5.00pm Faith, Film and Fiction – **See below**  
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

**AGM** - The Annual General Meeting of Knox Church will be held today immediately after the service. Reports and accounts are available in the foyer.

**ST ALBANS COMMUNITY CHOIR** - “**WITH A SONG AND A SQUEEZE**,” will be on at 5pm, Sunday, November 5, at St Paul’s Anglican Church, 3 Harewood Road, Papanui. This show will be in association with the Christchurch Accordion Orchestra and other guests. Admission is by donation (to a local charity) and will be followed by a light supper. We look forward to seeing you there.

**AFTERNOON COMMUNION** - At 2pm on Wednesday 8 November we will be having a short communion service in the chapel. This is particularly for those who do not get to our Sunday morning service very often, but of course everyone is most welcome to come. After the communion service we will have afternoon tea and time to chat with each other.

**Annual Students Recital – Piano students of Daniel Cooper.** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2pm, Knox Church. Come and enjoy some of Christchurch’s talented “up and coming” pianists! Free Entry.

**Faith, Film and Fiction:** Sunday 12 November 5pm in the lounge, the last film for the year is ***The Hundred Foot Journey*** about an Indian restaurant opening in a small village in France. The last book meeting for the year is on Sunday 26th November, followed by lunch together.

**PILLARS** - Council has approved that for the first three Sundays in November instead of our food etc donations going to St Georges Iona they will be going to PILLARS. PILLARS is a group that looks after families who have family members in prison. Food especially Christmas type food, toiletries, gifts suitable for children and teenagers etc welcome and will be well used. This is the eighth year Knox has donated goods to PILLARS.

# **The Streets of London**

Words and music: Ralph McTell (b. 1944)

Have you seen the old man in the closed down market  
Picking up the papers with his worn out shoes  
In his eyes you see no pride and hanging loosely at his side  
Yesterdays paper, telling yesterdays news  
So how can you tell me you're lonely  
And say for you that the sun don't shine  
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London  
I'll show you something to make you change your mind

Have you seen the old dear who walks the streets of London  
Dirt in her hair and her clothes in rags  
She's no time for talking, she just keeps right on walking  
Carrying her home, in two carrier bags  
So how can you tell me you're lonely  
And say for you that the sun don't shine  
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London  
I'll show you something to make you change your mind

And in the all night cafe at a quarter past eleven  
Same old man sitting there on his own  
Looking at the world over the rim of his teacup  
And each tea lasts an hour and he wanders home alone  
So how can you tell me that you're lonely  
And say for you that the sun don't shine  
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London  
I'll show you something to make you change your mind

Have you seen the old man outside the seaman's mission  
Memory fading with the medal ribbons that he wears  
And in the winter city, the rain cries a little pity  
For one more forgotten hero, and a World that doesn't care  
So how can you tell me that you're lonely  
And say for you that the sun don't shine  
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London  
I'll show you something to make you change your mind



### **Bible readings for next week will be:**

- Psalm 78: 1-7
- Matthew 25:1-13

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