



# KNOX CHURCH

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## Order of Service 10 June 2018

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## 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.

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

### The Call to Worship:

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

**JESUS, LIVING, DYING AND RISING FOR THE PEOPLE;  
JESUS, A STUMBLING BLOCK FOR THE POWER-MAD AND ARROGANT;  
JESUS, THROUGH WHOM CAME GOD'S WISDOM AND CARE.**

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

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

### Hymn:

Ode to Joy

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)



1. God has spoken by the prophets,  
spoken the effective word,  
each, from age to age proclaiming  
God, the one, the living Lord.  
'Mid the world's despair and turmoil  
one firm anchor holds us fast:  
God is good, God's grace eternal,  
God the first, and God the last.
2. God has spoken by Christ Jesus,  
Christ, the everlasting Son,  
brightness from the highest heaven,  
unto whom all praise be done;  
spoken by the Word incarnate,  
God from God, whose name we call,  
Light from Light, to earth descending,  
Christ, revealing God to all.
3. God is speaking by the Spirit,  
speaking to our hearts again,  
in the age-long word expounding  
God's own message, now as then,  
through the rise and fall of nations  
one sure faith yet standing fast;  
God still speaks, the word unfailing,  
God the first, and God the last.

*George W. Briggs (1875-1959), alt.*

### **Prayer of Approach**

You speak to reveal your heart,  
to express your love.

**YOU SPEAK TO SHARE YOUR MIND,  
TO GIVE YOUR WISDOM.**

You speak to call us  
into communion.

**YOU SPEAK TO GUIDE OUR WAY.**

You speak to protect us.

**YOU SPEAK TO BLESS US.**

God has spoken by the prophets,  
**SPOKEN THE EFFECTIVE WORD.**

Each, from age to age proclaiming  
**GOD THE ONE, THE LIVING LORD.**

Into this moment,  
into this unique gathering of people,  
into this moment of attention,  
**SPEAK, O LIVING GOD.**

*Silence*

When you speak,  
worlds come into being.  
**WHEN YOU SPEAK,  
TRUTH IS HEARD.**

When you speak the lame run,  
the blind see,  
justice rolls down like a river.  
**WHEN YOU SPEAK  
THE MIGHTY FALL,  
THE HUMBLE ARE LIFTED UP,  
THE HUNGRY ARE FED.**

Yet also, when you speak,  
often the human ear closes.  
**WHEN YOU SPEAK,  
OFTEN THE HUMAN EYE SHUTS.**

When you speak,  
often the people cry for another arrangement,  
and communion breaks.

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:**

God, you have provided for us  
a world in which to live in peace.  
At different times and in different places,  
you have given us  
ways of governing and being governed  
that are right and just.  
**GIVE US NOW  
THE CAPACITY TO REASON WISELY,  
TO LIVE RESPONSIBLY,  
AND TO PROTECT WAYS OF SHARED LIFE  
THAT ARE GOOD.**

We pray this in Jesus' name,  
using the words we have received:

**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 at the moment, young ones are welcome to enjoy toys and activity sheets in the play area at the rear of the church.*

**The First Lesson:** 1 Samuel 8: 4-20

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

**The Second Lesson:** Psalm 138

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

### Hymn:

St Columba

Irish traditional hymn melody



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| 1. Come Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire;<br>let us thine influence prove,<br>source of the old prophetic fire,<br>fountain of life and love. | 3. Expand thy wings, celestial Dove;<br>brood o'er our nature's night;<br>on our disordered spirits move,<br>and let there now be light.           |
| 2. Come Holy Ghost, for moved by thee<br>the prophets wrote and spoke;<br>unlock the truth, thyself the key;<br>unseal the sacred book.     | 4. God, through yourself we then shall<br>know,<br>if thou within us shine,<br>and sound, with all thy saints below,<br>the depths of love divine. |

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

### Sermon:

Divine dealing with the train crash

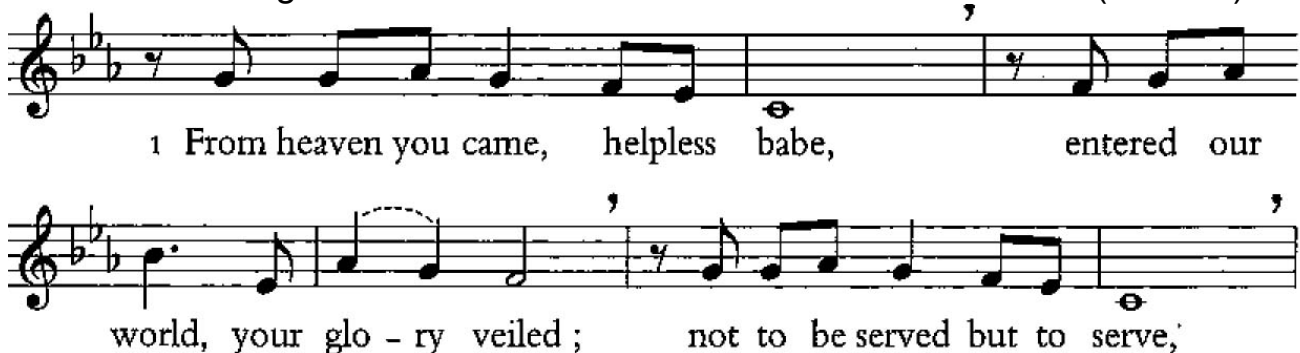
Generally, sermons are posted on our website shortly after the service at: <http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/sermons.html>  
Hard copies of the sermons are available before and after the service – ask the person at the door.

**Music for Reflection:** Meditation from Suite on Laudate Dominum  
Peter Hurford (b. 1930)

### Hymn:

The Servant King

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)



# Refrain



1. From heaven you came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, your glory veiled;  
not to be served, but to serve,  
and give your life that we might live.  
*This is our God, the servant King:  
he calls us now to follow him;  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the servant King.*

2. There in the garden of tears  
my heavy load he chose to bear;  
his heart with sorrow was torn,  
"Yet not my will, but yours" he said.  
*This is our God, the servant King . . .*

3. Come, see his hands and his feet,  
the scars that speak of sacrifice;  
hands that flung stars into space  
to cruel nails surrendered.  
*This is our God, the servant King . . .*

4. So let us learn how to serve,  
and in our lives enthrone him;  
each other's needs to prefer,  
for it is Christ we're serving.  
*This is our God, the servant King . . .*

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)

## Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Len Pierce



## The Offering and Dedication

*We stand for the dedication of the Offering*

We dedicate this money and food.

**WE ALSO OFFER OUR WILLINGNESS  
TO LISTEN CAREFULLY FOR GOD,  
TO SPEAK TRULY FOR GOD,  
AND TO MAKE THE WISEST DECISIONS WE CAN.**

May God bless us with prophetic guidance

**AND THE COURAGE TO DO THE RIGHT THING.  
AMEN.**

## Notices

### Hymn:

Warrington

Ralph Harrison (1748-1810)



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| 1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun<br>does its successive journeys run;<br>his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,<br>till moons shall wax and wane no more. | 3. People and realms of every tongue<br>dwell on his love with sweetest song;<br>and infant voices shall proclaim<br>their early blessings on his name. |
| 2. For him shall endless prayer be made,<br>and praises throng to crown his head;<br>his name like sweet perfume shall rise<br>with every morning sacrifice.     | 4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns:<br>the prisoner leaps to lose his chains:<br>the weary find eternal rest:<br>and all who suffer want are blest. |
| 5. Let every creature rise and bring<br>the highest honours to our King,<br>angels descend with songs again,<br>and earth repeat the long amen.                  |   |

*Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.*

## Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Water Music, G.F. Handel (1685-1759)



# Invitation



Mr John Hercus and Dame Ann Hercus  
have gifted a new Graham Stewart stained glass window  
to Knox Church, Bealey Ave, Christchurch.

Rev. Dr Matthew Jack and the Knox Church Council  
invite you warmly to  
**the dedication service,**  
10:00am - 11:00am, Sunday 24 June.

You are also invited to  
**the celebratory function**  
at 11:15am

at which Graham Stewart will speak  
and at which refreshments will be served.

For catering purposes, for the celebratory function,  
please RSVP to [office@knoxchurch.co.nz](mailto:office@knoxchurch.co.nz) by 17 June

**OR SIGN THE ATTENDANCE LIST  
ON THE CLIPBOARD AT THE DOOR THIS MORNING.**

## Follow-up from the Climate Change Panel Discussion

On 6 May we ran a Climate Change panel discussion. One of the panel members was Katherine Peet, an advocate for community mobilisation. Katherine spoke about her work in enabling and networking third sector organisations (once called NGOs). She spoke about some of the many groups that are currently engaged with environmental issues. A list of these groups can be found on Network Waitangi Otautahi's website: <http://www.nwo.org.nz/>

- Adult and Community Education Aotearoa (ACEA)
- Community Research: The Clearing House
- Federation of Multicultural Councils
- Hui E! Community Aotearoa
- Kotare Trust
- Network Waitangi Whangarei
- One Voice Te Reo Kotahi
- Peace Movement Aotearoa (PMA): Indigenous people's rights
- Speak Up-Kōrerotia
- Sustainable Aotearoa New Zealand (SANZ)
- Sustainable Otautahi Christchurch (SOC)
- Tauiwi Solutions
- Treaty Resource Centre (TRC)

Katherine also drew our attention to an upcoming public forum.

### One Voice Te Reo Kotahi

#### Big New Ideas

For us our children after us - Mō tātou ā mō kā uri ā muri ake nei

**Monday June 18 5-7pm**

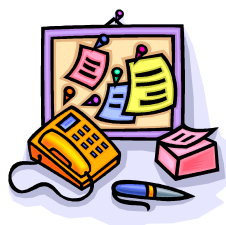
at **Environment Canterbury** - car park access off St Asaph St  
light refreshments provided by koha from CCC

**Our Third Sector Minister Hon. Peeni Henare joins our korero**

Apart from hearing from **Minister Henare**:

**Bridget Frame** will demystify the challenges we face with Grant Funding of our mahi, sharing her work looking at where grant funding comes from, where it goes to, and how it gets there.

**Dr Suzanne Vallance** will update us on her research which can help us measure what we treasure, not only treasure what we measure.



## NOTICES

**This Week: 10 June – 16 June 2018**

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship  
4.00pm Film Group – **see below**  
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

**Next Week: 17 June - 23 June 2018**

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship - APW / MWF service  
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

**The Full English** – Oriana. Knox church today at 2pm. Tickets \$15 on the door.

**RSCM Music Sunday –today**, 2pm, at Oxford Terrace Baptist Church. Hymns and songs old and new, with Medbury Boys' Choir and Barry Brinson Organ.

**Film Group – today** at 4pm in the Lounge. We will be watching the film “Lion” at true story of a young boys journey through India. All welcome.

**Daniel Cooper Organ** – Honours Exam Recital Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 5.10pm, Knox Church. Free entry. *\*Children under 5 are not permitted as this is a formal examination\**

**APW / MWF Service** – June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am – A retiring offering will be gathered at the conclusion of the service. This years recipients are the children of Uganda and the children of PILLARS.

**Knox Fireside Group** - The next meeting of the Knox Fireside group will be held on Monday 18 June at 7 30pm in the Lounge. The speaker is Pauline McKay from Christian World Service who will speak about some of her CSW related travels. All welcome

**The National Committee of Church Women United** - is hosting a Variety Concert followed by afternoon tea on Saturday 23 June at 2pm at St Albans Uniting Church. Tickets \$15. Tickets can be got from Jennifer McKinnon or pay at the door.

**Bites of Opera** – Saturday 30 June, 7pm at the Transitional Cathedral. The Christchurch City Choir conducted by Dr John Linker. A degustation of food, music and wine. Familiar choruses from favourite operas, with fabulous nibbles by Moveable Feasts. Tickets \$80. Online bookings: [www.eventfinda.co.nz](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz)

**Chair Yoga with Robyn from Soul to Sole Fitness.** This chair yoga fitness programme has been designed for 65+ yet is open to everybody. It is an approved strength and balance programme. St Albans Uniting Church Cnr Nancy Ave and Knowles St. Tuesdays 10.15am – 11.15am. \$6 Goldcard, or \$8.

***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 [janmwil507@gmail.com](mailto:janmwil507@gmail.com)***



**The readings for next week will be:**

- A Joy Cowley psalm: the little child
- Mark 10: 13-16

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