



# KNØX CHURCH

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## Order of Service 17 June 2018

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## LET THE CHILDREN LIVE Special Project 2017-18



**Methodist Women's Fellowship**

## 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:

Mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers,  
Brothers and sisters, family members and friends  
**IN CHRIST'S SPIRIT WE ARE ONE.**

Whatever our age, ethnicity or orientation,  
Whatever we are thinking,  
However we are feeling about others and ourselves  
**IN CHRIST'S SPIRIT WE ARE ONE.**

As one we worship the world God made known in Jesus.

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

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. God be with you.  
**MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.**

Hymn: Blaenwern

William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)





1. All are welcome to our worship,  
all who have a thankful heart:  
thankful for the songs of nature  
and the joy that they impart;  
thankful for the untold beauty  
of creation's magic art;  
thankful for the love surrounding;  
thankful we can play our part.
2. All are welcome in our worship;  
join with us in praise and prayer;  
join us as we ponder Jesus  
and the way he showed such care;  
as we think upon his teaching  
we find hope and not despair,  
for in Jesus' words and actions  
we are touched by love so rare.
3. All are welcome in our worship;  
everyone is welcome here;  
God in Christ sits not in judgment;  
Jesus' message casts out fear;  
God is never absent from us;  
God in Christ is always near;  
In God's sight we all are precious;  
Having ears, then "Let us hear!"

### **Prayer of Approach:**

Whoever we are, from where we bring joys and sorrows we bring,  
With whatever hopes and fears we gather in this place of worship  
**WE GIVE THANKS THAT ALL ARE WARMLY WELCOMED HERE.**

Knowing we are welcome and held in the spirit of love lived by Jesus  
We pause to reflect on the ups and downs  
of another full and busy week in our lives.

**WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE THINGS WE DID WELL.  
WE ACKNOWLEDGE THERE WERE THINGS WE DID BADLY.  
WE CONFESS THERE WERE THINGS  
WE WOULD RATHER HAVE NOT DONE AT ALL.**

If we have been hurt or mistreated by others;  
If we have thought or acted in ways  
that have damaged others or ourselves,  
**MAY WE DO WHAT IS NEEDED TO GIVE AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS.**

If we are feeling at the mercy of circumstances not of our choosing  
If we're troubled by anxieties that can come from any number of sources  
**MAY WE KNOW THE BLESSING OF BEING ALLOWED SIMPLY TO BE.**

May our way of being be challenged, changed and renewed  
by the life and the teaching of Jesus in whose name and spirit we gather and  
we now join to pray....

**OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN  
HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME,  
YOUR KINGDOM COME,  
YOUR WILL BE DONE,  
ON EARTH AS IT IS 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.**

**Assurance of love and welcome:**

Grateful for God's reconciling love revealed in Jesus  
**WE SHOW OUR GRATITUDE  
BY SHARING THE WARMTH OF GOD'S WELCOME AROUND.**

*We exchange a sign of peace with one another.*

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

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

**A Reading:**

The little child  
by Joy Cowley

**The Gospel Lesson:** Mark 10: 13-16

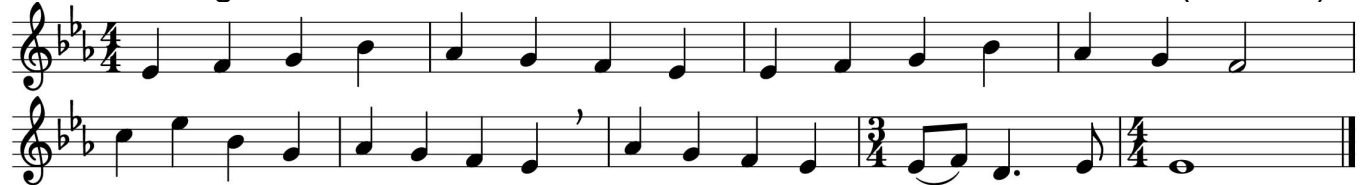
This is the gospel of Christ.

**PRAISE TO CHRIST, THE WORD.**

**Hymn:**

Servant Song

Richard Gillard (b. 1953)



1. Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
Let me be as Christ to you.  
Pray that I might have the grace to  
Let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey,  
We are trav'lers on the road;  
We are here to help each other  
Walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ light for you  
In the night time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping,  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
'Till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony  
Born of all we've known together  
Of Christ's love and agony.
6. Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
Let me be as Christ to you.  
Pray that I might have the grace to  
Let you be my servant too.

*Richard Gillard (b. 1953)*

## Reflection:

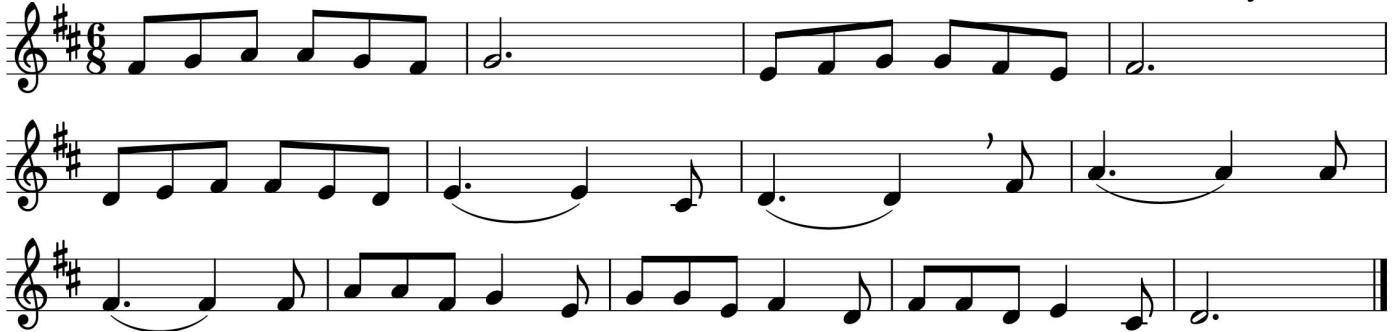
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Children are our hope and future: let the children live  
Working with children in Uganda  
and in New Zealand PILLARS

## Hymn:

Kneels at the feet

Ghanaian folk melody



1. Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet:  
master who acts as a slave to them.  
*Yesu, Yesu,*  
*fill us with your love,*  
*show us how to serve*  
*the neighbours we have from you.*
2. Neighbours are rich folk and poor,  
neighbours are black, brown or white,  
neighbours are nearby and far away.  
*Yesu, Yesu*
3. These are the ones we should serve,  
these are the ones we should love;  
everyone's neighbour to us and you.  
*Yesu, Yesu*
4. Loving puts us on our knees,  
serving as though we are slaves:  
this is the way we should live with you.  
*Yesu, Yesu*

*Tom Colvin (1925-2000) and people of Ghana*

## Music for Reflection:

Prelude

Benjamin Godard (1849-1895)

## Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Janet Wilson

### The Offering and Dedication

*We stand for the dedication of the Offering*

Accept these gifts we bring, our God;

**MAY THEY BE SIGNS OF OUR COMMITMENT  
TO PLAY OUR PART  
IN YOUR UNFOLDING STORY OF LOVE.**

### Notices

Hymn: Cwm Rhondda

John Hughes (1873-1932)



1. Sing a song for peace and justice,  
speak for those who cannot speak!  
Claim the world for peace and justice:  
let the strong support the weak.  
*Light a candle in the darkness,  
hope and freedom must not die!  
hope and freedom must not die!*
2. You who live in happy places,  
who can laugh and speak and sing,  
listen for the other voices  
mute with fear and suffering.  
*Light a candle . . .*
3. Thousands cry in nameless prisons –  
plead with powers that hold the key:  
plead that human rights be honoured,  
that the innocent go free.  
*Light a candle . . .*

*Shirley Murray (b. 1931)*



## Benediction

**CALLED TO LIVE FULLY,  
FOLLOWING JESUS' FOOTSTEPS,  
WE GO TO TAKE OUR PLACES  
IN THE ONGOING MISSION OF CHRIST.**

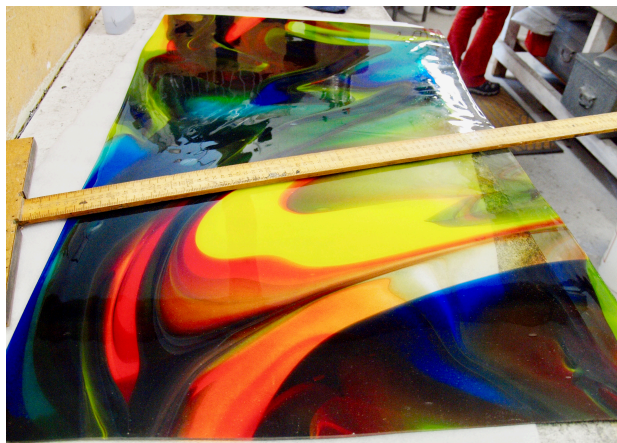
## Sung Amen

**Postlude:** Postlude  
W.S. Lloyd Webber (1914-1982)

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

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## **A NEW WINDOW**



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

Next Sunday, we are holding two events, to which you are very welcome:

**the dedication service,**  
10:00am - 11:00am, Sunday 24 June

**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 the end of today.**



## SUPPORTED BY TODAY'S RETIRING OFFERING



**Pillars**  
Ka Pou Whakahou

On any given day more than 23,000 children are affected by having a parent in prison in New Zealand. Without the right support these children are over 9 x more likely than other kiwi kids to end up in prison as adults.

Children of prisoners are among some of the most vulnerable children in our community. They are in a situation they didn't choose, yet they face a sentence of their own. They become the invisible victims of crime and can become socially isolated and deprived. They need our support to live positive lives.

Children of prisoners deserve a future like we want all kiwi kids to have – not to be our future prisoners.



The centre for Community Solidarity, Uganda, assists 25 local associations of caregivers to HIV and AIDS orphans to improve their lives and livelihoods. With a staff

of two, a board and a team of twelve volunteers skilled in aspects of development, CCS

- supports the associations to make their own action plans for shared benefits
- trains local members and organises the building of rainwater tanks
- educates about HIV / AIDS prevention, and encourages testing and treatment
- runs hygiene, sanitation, agricultural and financial training for the associations
- supports the running of local credit schemes and setting up of small businesses, including mentoring young people into work
- distributes affordable water filters, plants and livestock



## NOTICES

### **This Week: 17 June 23 June 2018**

Sunday	10.00am	Morning Worship
	4.00pm	Film Group – <b>see below</b>
Monday	7.30pm	Fireside Group – <b>see below</b>
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study

### **Next Week: 24 June 30 June 2018**

Sunday	10.00am	Morning Worship
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study

Today is the last day to advise the office if you are attending the Blessing of the Stained Glass Window on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June. We need this information for catering purposes. Thank you.

**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.

**Film Group** – Today at 4pm in the lounge.(Postponed from last week). We will be watching the film “Lion”, a true story of a young boys journey through India. All welcome.

**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

### **Next Issue of Knox Life**

Items are invited for the July issue of Knox Life. Please email/hand in to the Knox office before the end of June.

**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. This is a fundraiser to raise funds towards sending a delegate to the Asian Church Womens' Conference which will be held in Thailand this year.

**Bright on Vibes Gospel Choir** – Presents Movin' On Up – a Winter Warmer Concert. Bright on Vibes will entertain and move you with the four part harmonies of choral music and the feet tapping joyous sound of gospel music. The evening will include small group harmonies and solo performances by Wendy Kington and Lisa Tui. Saturday 30 June, 7.30 – 9.30pm. At Opawa Community Church, Cur Aynsley Tce and Opawa Rd. Tickets \$25 includes a cuppa and ½ time treat.

**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 your favourite operas paired 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)**



**Did you know** that Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand has speaking and voting rights at the United Nations' Commission for the Status of Women?

Jan Harland learned, when she attended the Triennial national meeting of Presbyterian Women USA, that the USA does not have that status. PWANZ is clearly highly regarded internationally.



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

- Psalm 57: 5, 7-11
- Psalm 65: 5-13
- John 4: 4-14

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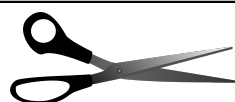
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