



love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 1 July 2018



KEEPING THE PEACE A COMMUNION SERVICE

We are joined this morning by many Justices of the Peace, friends and supporters, to celebrate communion on the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Canterbury Justices of the Peace Association. Nau mai; haere mai.

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, CLEAR EXPRESSION OF GOD'S JUSTICE AND PEACE; JESUS, PRONOUNCING BLESSINGS ON THE PEACEMAKERS; JESUS, BRINGING ORDER TO THE TROUBLE.

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

<u>Hymn</u>:

Praise, my soul



- Praise with joy the world's Creator, God of justice, love and peace, Source and end of human knowledge grace bestowing without cease. Celebrate our God's great glory, power to rescue and release.
- 2. Praise to Christ who feeds the hungry, frees the captive, finds the lost, heals the sick, upsets religion, fearless both of fate and cost. Celebrate Christ's constant presence, friend and stranger, guest and host.
- Praise the Spirit sent among us, liberating truth from pride, forging bonds where race or gender, age or nation dare divide. Celebrate the Spirit's treasure, foolishness none dare deride.
- Praise Creator, Christ and Spirit, one God in community, calling Christians to embody oneness and diversity. Thus the world shall yet believe when shown Christ's vibrant unity.

The Iona Community

Prayer of Approach

God of justice, love and peace, **RECEIVE OUR PRAISE.**

God of human community, with all its complexity, clashing and challenge, **RECEIVE OUR PRAISE.**

God of hope and commitment, of caring and keeping, **RECEIVE OUR PRAISE.**

God of blessing, forgiving, and healing, **RECEIVE OUR PRAISE.** Receive our praise, through Jesus, the Christ, **AMEN.** God of compassion, receive also our confession. For our shouting, rather than listening, **FORGIVE US.**

For our indifference to the weeping of others, **FORGIVE US.**

For our nonchalance about justice, **FORGIVE US.**

For our casualness about the making of peace, **FORGIVE US.**

For thoughts words and deeds, for actions and omissions, for the myriad of ways we have failed one another, **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. AMEN.

The Notices

If there are younger ones present
<u>A Conversation with the Younger Ones</u>

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

The First Lesson:	Exodus 20: 12-17 read by Rachael O'Grady, JP <i>President: Royal Federation of NZ Justices' Associations</i>
	In this is the Word of God. THANKS BE TO GOD.

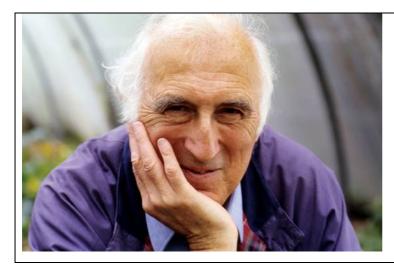
<u>The Second Lesson</u>: Romans 12: 9-18 read by Barry Clark, QSM, JP *President: Canterbury Justices of the Peace Association*

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Knox Singers:Let there be peace on earthJill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller (1955)

Sermon: Writ in stone, lived in reality

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



"We work for peace every time we exercise authority with wisdom and authentic love."

Jean Vanier, Finding Peace

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

To the minister's words "Enable us, God of peace", you are invited to respond "**TO MAKE A BETTER WORLD**".

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.



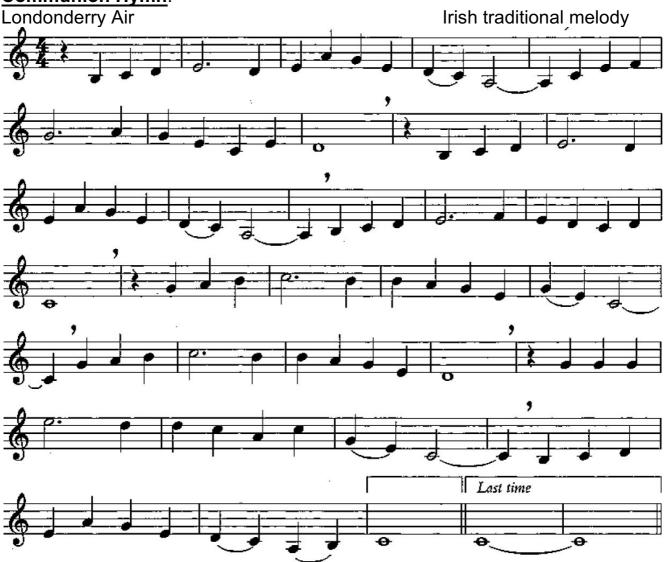
The Passing of the Peace

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:



- Fold to your heart your sister and your brother: where pity dwells, the peace of God is there; to worship rightly is to love each other, each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer. For he whom Jesus loved has truly spoken: the holier worship, which he deigns to bless restores the lost, and binds the spirit broken, and feeds the widow and the fatherless.
- Follow with reverent steps the great example of him whose holy work was doing good: so shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple, each loving life a psalm of gratitude. Then shall all shackles fall: the stormy clangour of wild war music o'er the earth shall cease; love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger, and in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892), alt.

We sit for The Invitation, Institution, 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:



- 1. Crown with your richest crowns the Lamb upon the throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Christ who rose for you, and to your risen Saviour bring your thanks for life made new.
- 2. Crown Christ who rules in peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise; Christ's reign shall have no end, for 'round those wounded feet a fragrant garden shall extend forever green and sweet.
- 3. Crown Christ who holds the years, embracing space and time, Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail, for your great love for me; your praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Matthew Bridges (1800-1894) and Godfrey Thring (1823-1903) alt.

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: The Stars and Stripes forever John Philip Sousa (1854-1932)

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

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FOLLOW ON FROM OUR CLIMATE CHANGE EVENTS

On Sunday 6 May, Knox held a Climate Change panel discussion, in which we heard from Francesca Bradley, Generation Zero, a community group wanting to help government set incremental goals committed to under the Paris Accord. Generation Zero had drafted a bill proposal that had been warmly received by the Green Party. The carbon reduction matter is now being explored in parliament - and submissions are being called for. The cut-off date for submissions is 19 July. Hard copies of a submission paper are in on the table in the new foyer – or you can make an online submission: <u>www.zerocarbonact.nz/signon</u>



This Week: 1 July – 7 July 2018

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship 11.15am Book Group – *see below* Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 8 July – 14 July 2018

Sunday10.00amMorning Worship - with the Sumner Silver BandWednesday10.00amBible Study

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.

Today - Book Group, Sunday 1 July, 11.15am in the lounge - This month's book for discussion is **To Kill a Mockingbird** by Harper Lee. Please bring your own copy if you have one, and let's share our impressions and ideas about this wonderful book. We will watch the film with Gregory Peck on Sunday 15th July, and in September we will see the Burnside High School production of the play adaptation. For the meeting on Sunday 29th July, bring a favourite book to share.

Congregational meeting on 15 July A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday 15 July in order to approve the budget for 2028-2019. The meeting will be held immediately after the morning service and copies of the budget will be available prior to the meeting.

DEEP in Winter: Citywide worship - 8pm-11pm, 21 July at Benny's Barber Shop, 105 Disraeli Street, Sydenham. Gather with other believers across the city for a cosy night of coffee & worship. This is worship circle style with beautiful new arrangements of classic worship songs combined with modern favourites as we lift Him up and cast aside winter blues. Run by Prayer Collective Christchurch.

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

LOVE REACHES OUT Arty Event

Wed 11th July 2018

12,30pm - 3.30pm

Venue: 45 Fitzgerald Ave St Pauls Trinity Pacific Presbyterian Church

For: Preschool - Year 8

Free Event

Limited Numbers (max group 15 kids)

Poster My Wall.com

Purpose: to provide an opportunity for kids to get involved in the Kids Friendly art competition – more info see attached.

Basic art supplies will be provided: art & craft paper, some recyclable items, colouring/painting resources etc.

Please feel free to bring your own art supplies for your art project & an art shirt.

- Love Reaches Out -Caring for our World 2018

A light snack will be provided.

Children 4yrs & under will need a parent/guardian available at all times. Parents, please register your child(ren) by email Tina Taula via tina.trinitypacific@xtra.co.nz or call church office 3791036 by Monday 9th July.



Bible readings for next week will be:

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8 John 2: 13-21 Mark 4: 26-28 Luke 13: 6-9 Psalm 40: 1-3

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