

# KNOYX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

## Order of Service 29 July 2018



# IT WAS THAT TIME WHEN KINGS GO OUT TO WAR

#### 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, THE PRINCE OF PEACE;

JESUS, BRINGING PEACE TO THOSE FAR AWAY AND CLOSE AT HAND; JESUS, GIVING US VISION OF A BETTER WORLD.

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.





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

George Herbert (1593-1633)

#### **Prayer of Approach**

The king goes out to peace: LOVE IN HIS HEART, PEACE IN HIS HANDS, BLESSING IN HIS EYES.

The king goes out to peace:
A GOSPEL ON HIS TONGUE,
SONGS OF HEAVEN IN HIS EARS,
A NEW CREATION TO BUILD.

The king goes out to peace: **BECAUSE THE WORLD IS FULL OF WAR.** 

The king goes out to peace,
BECAUSE INJUSTICE WALKS THE STREETS.

The king goes out to peace,

BECAUSE ENDLESS
IS GOD'S DETERMINATION FOR RIGHT.

The king out to peace;
WE WELCOME HIM WITH OUR PRAISE.

Silence

We welcome him with our praise, but we also lament our management of the world that we have been given. THERE IS WITHIN US

THERE IS WITHIN US
AN EASY ACQUIESCENCE
TO THE BULLY AND THE THUG.

There is a cynical acceptance of violence and wrong.

THERE IS COMPLICITY WITH SHADY PRACTICE.

The king of glory goes out in peace, **BUT WE HAVE GONE OUT IN WAR.** 

So we say

Lord have mercy.

CHRIST HAVE MERCY.

Lord have mercy.

#### **Assurance and Response**

You are forgiven and you are free.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

#### Prayer of Supplication:

God of justice and peace, in whose Christ the beautiful height and depth of grace was found, CLAIM OUR HEARTS AND MINDS, OUR COURAGE AND AND IMAGINATION, THAT WE MIGHT SEEK YOUR PEACE FOR OUR TIME, PLACE AND FUTURE.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, and conclude using the words he taught us:

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

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

**The First Lesson:** Ephesians 3: 14-21

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

## The Second Lesson:

2 Samuel 11: 1-15
In this is the Word of God
THANKS BE TO GOD.



#### Hymn:

Salley Gardens Irish folk tune



- Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain, informed of Christ's own bias, we ask him once again: "How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self interest turn prayer and pity blind?"
- 2. From those forever victims of heartless human greed, their cruel plight composes a litany of need: "Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace? Where is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?"
- 3. From those forever shackled to what their wealth can buy, the fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry, "Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth! Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!"

- 4. To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age, we offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage: "When will the wronged be righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"
- 5. God asks, "Who will go for me?
  Who will extend my reach?
  And who, when few will listen,
  will prophesy and preach?
  And who, when few bid welcome,
  will offer all they know?
  And who, when few dare follow,
  will walk the road I show?"
- 6. Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat, attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote, a saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

John Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

#### Sermon:

Going out to war

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

Music for Reflection: Glory and praise to you

Lucien Deiss (1921-2007) Soloist: Francine Bills

#### Hymn: Hereford

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (18101876)



- Pray for a world where every child finds welcome in a sheltered place, where love is tender, undefiled, and firmness intertwines with grace.
- 2. Pray for a world where passion's fire burns not in force or careless lust, where God's good gift of deep desire is safe in arms of faith and trust.
- 3. Pray for a nation just and fair that seeks the welfare of us all, where leaders guide with prudent care and nurture life for great and small.
- Pray for a world where all have voice and none will batter, rape abuse.
   Till then, may all have rightful choice and pray for wisdom as they choose.

Ruth Duck (b. 1947)

#### **Prayers for Others and Ourselves**

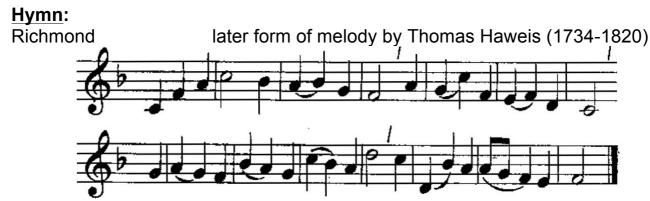
led by Bob Fendall

#### The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

We make this offering, hoping that it will make a good difference in the world. WE OFFER ALSO OUR HEARTS AND MINDS. TO BE THE TEMPLES OF GOD'S PEACE AND WISDOM. Enable us to challenge the killing assumptions of the world AND SERVE GOD'S VISION OF PEACE. AMEN.

#### **Notices**



- 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, 6. So shall no part of day or night 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.
- unblessed or common be. but all my life, in every step be fellowship with thee.

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

#### Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Festival Toccata

Percy Fletcher (1879-1932)

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

Music printed in this order of service is covered under a music copyright licence agreement: LicenSing #604802



This Week: 29 July – 4 August 2018

10.00am Sunday Morning Worship

> Book Group - see below 11.15am

Knox Café – see below 7.00pm

Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 5 August – 11 August 2018 Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship

Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Knox Book Group - Sunday 29 July 11.15am in Committee Room. Bring a favourite book to share.

Knox Café - The next Knox Café is on Sunday July 29 at 7 pm in the Knox Lounge. The speaker is Dame Ann Hercus who will speak about the journey she and John went on to discover the Hercus family roots. Dame Ann is a fascinating speaker and this talk will spur us to investigate our own family roots . . BYO nibbles and beverages tea and coffee provided. All Welcome

The Politics of Compassion – public lecture with Professor Kevin Clements, Chair and Foundation Director of The nations Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Otago.

10<sup>th</sup> August 7pm at Knox Centre, Bealey Ave, Christchurch. Friday Complimentary light refreshments available from 6.30pm

Peacemaking Experiential Workshops - Professor Kevin Clements, Chair and Foundation Director of The National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Otago, will be facilitating two workshops: "The Place Called Reconciliation" and "Non Violent Tools for Social Transformation". Saturday 11 August, 9:30am - 12:30pm, Knox Centre Hall, Bealey Ave.

Register for this free event at: office.chcwestmethodist@gmail.com

**Christchurch Liedertafel** – second concert for 2018, "Songs from School Days" Sunday 12 August, 2.15pm. Designed to warm your hearts and brighten up the winter! At St Andrews College Chapel. Programme Entry \$15 (Eftpos available).

**General Assembly 2018** - This year, the Church's highest court meets at St Andrew's College, Christchurch, from Wednesday . 3 October to Sunday 7 October. GA18 is the main event in our calendar this year. Please come and bring your best. Our focus for GA18 is relationship: the relationship between God and you, you and your maker,and the relationship between you and others. The General Assembly website <a href="http://ga2018.nz">http://ga2018.nz</a> is now live and we are ready to take registrations. Here you will find information on the venue, registration costs, accommodation and more.

#### **VOLUNTEERS FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Volunteers needed for General Assembly (Oct 3rd-7th) at St Andrews College. Lots of tasks to do - administration, first aid, ushering, car parking, tech help, baking and hospitality. Email Liz Whitehead or Abi Trevarthan at cpcanzassembly2018@gmail.com

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





Gaudeamus Igitur
When the Saints
Pokarekare Ana
The Happy Wanderer
Danny Boy
Waltzing Matilda

h, 7

Hippopotamus Song
Pack up Your Troubles
I Vow to Thee my Country
Jerusalem
African Trilogy
Battle Hymn of the Republic

\$15
programme
entry
eftpos is
available

St Andrew's College Chapel Normans Road



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

• John 6: 24-35

### **Knox Directory**

28 Bealey Ave, Christchurch 8013 Secretary: Jane Ellis, ph. (03) 379 2456, office@knoxchurch.co.nz Office hours: Mon-Fri 9.00am-noon

Visit our website www.knoxchurch.co.nz



website

Minister: Rev. Dr Matthew Jack minister@knoxchurch.co.nz for emergencies, (03) 3570 111

Church Council Clerk: Janet Wilson, ph. (03) 338 7203

Director of Music: Daniel Cooper, organist@knoxchurch.co.nz

Pastoral Assistant: Jan Harland ph. 0273560215



facebook



## **Keeping in Touch**

Please help us get acquainted with you by filling in this form and putting it in the offering bag.

Name:

Contact details