



KNØX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 11 November 2018



WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT

a service
on the one hundredth anniversary
of the end of the First World 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 Organ Prelude: Nimrod, from Enigma Variations
Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

The Call to Worship:

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

JESUS, BORN INTO A WORLD AT WAR WITH ITSELF;

JESUS, CRUCIFIED ON A ROMAN CROSS;

JESUS, THE RISEN, GLORIOUS PRINCE OF PEACE.

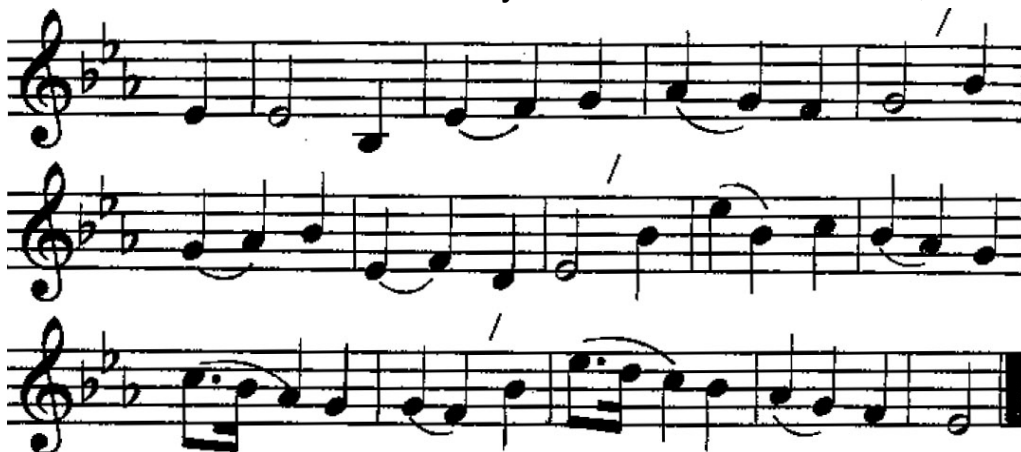
Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. God be with you.

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hymn:

Irish

From Collection of Hymns and Sacred Poems, Dublin, 1749



1. "Your kingdom come!" - on bended knee
the passing ages pray;
and faithful souls have yearned to see
on earth that kingdom's day.
2. But the slow watches of the night
not less to God belong;
and for the everlasting right
the silent stars are strong.
3. And lo! already on the hills
the flags of dawn appear;
gird up yourselves, you prophet souls,
proclaim the day is near:
4. The day in whose clear shining light
all wrong shall stand revealed,
when justice shall be throned with might,
and every hurt be healed:
5. When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
shall walk the earth abroad, -
the day of perfect righteousness,
the promised day of God.

Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)

Prayer of Approach

When news of peace was announced,
the earth let out a sigh.

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

When news came through,
soldiers were too tired to celebrate.

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

When news came through,
people at home managed the gaps,
meditated on the missing,
cried.

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

When news came through,
up went the prayer:
"never again".

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

Hang the trumpet up in the hall;
beat the sword into a ploughshare;
melt the gun into a pruning fork;
disassemble the cross.

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

Ready yourself for remembering;
prepare yourself a life of conscience;
order your priorities for peace;
mourn what and whom we have lost.

**PRAISE TO OUR GOD
WHEN GUNS FALL SILENT.**

In confession we put before God
the warring of our world;
the envy and ambition,
the boasting and being false to the truth.
Hoping for healing,
we put before God
the sorrow and broken hope,
saying:

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:

In the life of Christ
there was violence,
THERE WAS KINDNESS.

There was war,
THERE WAS PEACE.

In the body of Christ
there was death,
BUT ALSO RESURRECTION.

Make us, O God, to be like Christ,
**TO LIVE WITH HIS WISDOM,
COURAGE AND GRACE,**

always working for a harvest of righteousness
AND HOPE AND PEACE.

We pray this in the name of Jesus,
praying as he taught us, saying:

**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:

James 3: 13-18

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

Knox Singers:

In Flanders Fields
Patrick Shepherd (b. 1963)

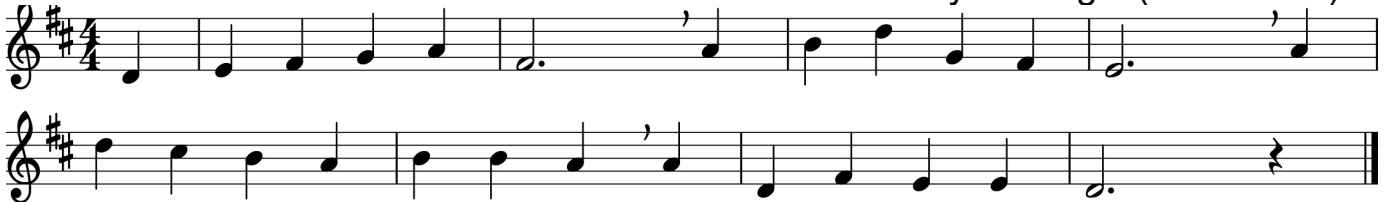
The Gospel Lesson: Mark 13: 3-8

This is the gospel of Christ.
PRAISE TO CHRIST, THE WORD.

Hymn:

Franconia

William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)



1. Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.
2. The Lord who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell with us in lowliness,
our pattern and their King;
3. still to the lowly soul
he will himself impart,
and for his cradle and his throne
chooses the pure in heart.
4. Lord, we your presence seek;
this blessing now renew:
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple fit for you.

John Keeble (1792-1866), alt (vv 1, 3), and others

Sermon:

Beware that no one leads you astray

*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.*

Hymn:

Suantraí

Irish traditional melody



1. Christ is our peace, Christ is our health,
he the true Word, his the true wealth -
gifts to be shared by the simple and poor:
peace in your land, peace at your door.
2. We come, O God, in Jesus's name,
and for our world your peace to claim;
beatitudes that we may take to heart:
that ne'er from them we may depart.
3. Rememb'ring well his gentle life
his being true against all strife,
we celebrate a love so deep and strong:
proclaiming truth, correcting wrong.
4. To you be praise and all our love
for wisdom deep, dawned from above;
for grace that wins our hearts and bends our knees,
the love of Christ that ushers peace.

Verse 1, Shirley Murray (b. 1931)

Verses 2-4, Matthew Jack (b. 1963)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Jennifer McKinnon

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

We offer to God this money and food.

**WE OFFER ALSO OUR COURAGE
AND OUR CONVICTION.**

We offer our hope
and our commitment to peace.
**WE OFFER OUR HANDS AND HEARTS
TO DO THE WORK OF GOD.**

We pray for the blessing of it all,
**IN THE NAME OF JESUS,
AMEN.**

Notices

Hymn:

Nun Danket

Later form of melody by Johann Crüger (1598-1662)



1. Now thank we all our God,
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom the world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us.
God, keep us in your grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm
in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God
our Maker now be given,
to Christ and Spirit too,
our help in highest heaven:
the one eternal God,

whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be ever more.

*Martin Rinkart (1586-1649),
tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt*

Benediction and Sung Amen

*Today, the Bible is not processed out of the church
and the minister remains in the sanctuary*

We sit for
An Armistice Anniversary Reflection

We stand for
Two Minutes of Silence

*The end of the two minute silence is signalled by the minister sitting down.
As the minister sits, please also sit.*

Music for Reflection: Music by John Williams (b. 1932)
Violin soloist: Rakuto Kurano.

*Given its placement within today's observance,
as an alternative to the regular postlude,
it is requested that **no** applause be given for the Music for Reflection.*

The Dismissal:

Go, in peace, to love and serve our God.

AMEN,

WE GO IN THE NAME OF CHRIST.

*Following the Dismissal, tea and coffee will be wheeled into the church.
You are welcome, according to your usual practice, to stay for refreshments,
or to shake the minister's hand as you leave.*

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NOTICES

This Week: 11 November - 17 November 2018

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
5.00pm Film Group – **see below**
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 18 November - 24 November 2018

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Monday 7.30pm Knox Fireside Group – **see below**
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

PILLARS – Council has approved that for the first 3 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 with a family member in prison. Food, especially Christmas type food, toiletries and gifts suitable for children and teenagers are welcome and will be well used. This is the ninth year Knox has donated goods to PILLARS. The following link tells you about his organisation: <https://www.noted.co.nz/currently/profiles/verna-mcfelin-good-samaritan-prison-inmates-families/>

KNOX FILM GROUP – Sunday 11th November at 5pm in the Lounge. We will be watching **The Dish** - a classic Australian film about the team operating the satellite dish which was the only place in the world to receive the live film of Man's landing on the moon (10 July 1969). It is a classic Australian film.

CANTERBURY PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA -Final concert for the year at the Piano, Armagh Street at 2.30pm on Sunday 11 November.

Tickets at the door for \$25 adults and \$10 under 18 years. Or pre-purchase from Erika White (3427323) for \$20 and \$5. See the Knox noticeboard for details of the programme.

SUNDAY LUNCH – join a group of Knox people for a casual lunch at the Secret Garden café on November 18th. Meet at or around noon, on November 18th, at the Oderings Barrington Garden Centre café, next to the Z petrol station in Stourbridge St, just off Barrington St.

There is cabinet food on offer or you can choose from the menu. If interested, please add your name to either one of the lists, placed at each entrance of the

church or email jannekenuysink@gmail.com. Names required by Monday 12th of November, please.

KNOX FIRESIDE GROUP - The next Knox Fireside Group meeting will be on Monday November 19 at 7 30 pm in the Knox lounge. Janet Wilson will talk about her recent trip to North Korea. All welcome.

SUFFRAGE CELEBRATION -The National Council of Women Christchurch Branch is celebrating Women through the Decades at the Chapel Street Centre Christchurch North Methodist Church on Friday November 23 at 7 30pm followed by Supper. All are welcome. Tickets can be obtained from Jennifer McKinnon \$20 .

CHRISTMAS BAKING PACKING – Will be on Saturday November 24th at 9am. We need more help to complete the packing before the caterers for a wedding arrive at 11am. If you can help, please contact Jennifer McKinnon 3380333.

BOOK GROUP – The final book group for 2018. Sunday 25th November. 11.15am in the Committee Room. Len will present a New Zealand short story or poem for us to share.

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

AMERICAN VISITORS - TONIGHT

Dudley Crawford, a retired minister of the Presbyterian Church USA, runs a travel group of American Presbyterians, humanists, people of other faiths or no faith. His group tends not to talk politics, because political views in the group are diverse, and a "live and let live" policy has worked well for them in recent times. The group is visiting Christchurch today and is keen to visit Knox, to hear something of our ethos and recent story. They are walking to Knox from their hotel and planning to arrive at 7:30pm. If you would like to come along and welcome them, please do. This is not a highly scripted event - we'll just talk and see what happens. We'll end with a cup of tea and aim to be saying "haere ra" by 8:30pm.



The Bible readings for next week will be:

- 1 Samuel 1: 4-20
- 1 Samuel 2: 1-10

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