



KNOX CHURCH

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Order of Service 25 November 2018



SO YOU ARE A KING?

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, QUESTIONED BY THE AUTHORITIES;

JESUS, TRUTH BEFORE POWER;

JESUS, KING OF GLORY, KING OF PEACE.

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hymn:

Gwalchmai

Joseph Michael Jones (1827-1870)



1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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

It is written that he had no form or majesty
that we should look at him,
nothing in his appearance
that we should look at him;
YET WE CALL HIM THE KING OF GLORY.

It is written
that he divided households,
and elicited anger.
He disturbed dreams
and vandalised temples.
YET WE CALL HIM THE KING OF PEACE.

Roman governors will look at him.
Religious authorities will stare into his face.
Disciples and competitors,
admirers and critics,
followers and detractors,
lovers and haters:
**ALL WILL LOOK UPON HIM,
EVEN THOSE WHO PIERCED HIM.**

And they will ask
"who is he?"
"IS HE THE KING OF THE JEWS?"

We dare to profess,
dear Christ,
that you are a king.
**YOUR KINGDOM
IS BEING BUILT AMONG US.**

It is in this world,
BUT NOT OF THIS WORLD.

It is truth,
IT IS LIFE.

It is glory,
IT IS PEACE.

King of glory,
king of peace,
WE WILL LOVE THEE.

Silence

We confess that we have not sought the reign of Christ.
We have followed other kings,
MADE OUR VOWS TO OTHER REALMS.

We have declared allegiances
to dispensations that are not full of truth,
**AND ALONG THE WAY
WE HAVE HURT ONE ANOTHER.**

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:

Jesus Christ,
faithful witness,
firstborn of the dead,
ruler of the rulers,
you love and free your people.

**TO YOU BE GLORY
AND DOMINION.
TO YOU BE PRAISE
AND WORSHIP.**

Give us grace to behold you,
to learn of who you are,
**TO BE YOUR FAITHFUL WITNESSES
AND TO TELL YOUR TRUTH.**

We pray this Jesus name,
using the words he gave 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

*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:

Revelation 1: 4b-8

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

Knox Singers:

Jesus Christ, the faithful witness
Lucien Deiss (1921-2006)

The Gospel Lesson:

John 18: 33-37

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

Hymn:

Helmsley

Thomas Olivers (1725-1799)



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| 1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
once by Pilate's failing slain;
thousand thousand saints attending,
swell the triumph of his train!
Hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign. | 3. Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears;
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars! |
| 2. Every eye shall now behold him
robed in awesome majesty;
those who set at nought and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the tree
deeply wailing
shall the true Messiah see. | 4. Yea, amen! let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory
claim the kingdom for thine own;
O come quickly;
Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come. |

Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Sermon:

Kingdom faces kingdom

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:

Kelvingrove

Scottish Traditional Tune



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| 1. Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me? | 3. Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me? |
| 2. Will you leave your self behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare,
will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me? | 4. Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me? |
| 5. Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me. | |

John Bell (b. 1949)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Philippa Ranby

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

Called by Christ

INTO KINGDOM LIVING,

challenged by God

INTO GODLY GIVING,

moved by the Spirit

INTO DEEDS OF FORGIVING,

we pray the blessing of the gifts we bring.

BLESS THEM

AND US AS WE SERVE YOU,

THROUGH JESUS THE KING,

AMEN.

Notices

Hymn:

Diademata

George J. Elvey (1816-1893)



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: March on "A Mighty Fortress is our God"
Percy E. Fletcher (1879-1932)

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

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NOTICES

This Week: 25 November -1 December 2018
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
11.15am Knox Book Group **-see below**
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 2 December - 8 December 2018
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Monday 7.30pm Knox Fireside Group- **see below**
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

PILLARS

Grateful thanks for the wonderful donations given to PILLARS over the last 3 weeks – 9 banana boxes of goodies were delivered to PILLARS this week.

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.

St Albans Community Choir Concert - The St Albans Community Choir, with the New Brighton Silver Band, will present "Carol Our Christmas" on Sunday 25 November at 5pm at St Paul's Church, 1 Harewood Road. The concert will feature unusual carols from many lands and admission is by donation to a local charity. A light supper will follow the concert. All welcome.

Choral Evensong for West Papua – Sunday 25th November 5pm at the Transitional Cathedral. Address: Hon. Poto Williams MP. Music by the Cathedral Choir.

Christchurch Liedertafel presents "A Classic Christmas" – Sunday 2 December 2.15pm at St Andrew's College Chapel, Normans Road. Programme entry \$15. Eftpos is available. (see ad).

Knox Fireside Group

The final meeting of the Knox fireside group for this year will be held on Monday December 3 at 7 30pm in the Knox lounge. This will have a Christmas theme and you are asked to bring a small wrapped gift around \$5 - \$10 to swap. All welcome

Bright On Vibes Concert Fundraiser - On 8th December 2018, at 7pm start at St. Barnabas Church, Fendalton. All proceeds for City Harvest Food Rescue. The money we raise will go to their fuel costs to keep their two vans on the road. John Milligan will be speaking at the event to tell people more about what they do.

Please bring something to "feed" into the food donations pile at the concert! We will also have special guests, doing a few spots during the programme. Tickets are \$20 on the door. See you there!

Morning Tea in the Church December 9 - Instead of a church lunch it has been decided to have a 'Fancy' morning tea on Sunday December 9 . If you would be willing to bring a medium plate of fancy food would you contact Jennifer McKinnon 3380333 or Jennifer.mckinnon@xtra.co.nz

Carols at Riccarton Bush, 6.30pm, Sunday 9 December 2018. Hosted by Riccarton-Spreydon Anglican Parish (St Martin's and St James). Come and join us in singing Christmas Carols.

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



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PRESENTS

A Classical Christmas

2:15pm Sunday
2 December 2018

Musical Director
Daniel Cooper

Accompanist
Lynley Fuglestad

Programme includes

Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Vivaldi)
Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)
23rd Psalm (Vicar of Dibley)
Surely He hath Borne our Grievs
- (Handel)

O Holy Night
Joy to the World
Calypso Carol
Coventry Carol
Hallelujah Chorus (Handel)

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available

St Andrew's College Chapel Normans Road



The Bible reading for next week will be:

- Psalm 25: 1-10

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and putting it in the offering bag.

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