



KNOX CHURCH

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Order of Service 7 July 2019



BRENDAN'S CORACLE HAS NO FRONT

A COMMUNION SERVICE

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.

Please don't leave any items unattended around the church;
they may cause alarm.

This is a communion service. 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, CALLING US TO JOURNEY IN FAITH;
JESUS, ASKING US TO TRAVEL LIGHT;
JESUS, WHO FROM THE EDGE OF TODAY
LEADS US INTO WONDER AND DELIGHT.**

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

Hymn:

Columbus

Colin Gibson (b. 1933)





1. Where the road runs out and the signposts end,
where we come to the edge of today,
be the God of Abraham for us,
send us out upon our way.
*Lord, you were our beginning,
the faith that gave us birth.
We look to you our ending,
our hope for heaven and earth.*

2. When the coast is left and we journey on
to the rim of the sky and the sea,
be the sailor's friend, be the dolphin Christ,
lead us on to eternity.
Lord, you were our beginning . . .

3. When the clouds are low and the wind is strong,
when tomorrow's storm draws near,
be the spirit bird hovering overhead
who will take away our fear.
Lord, you were our beginning . . .

Colin Gibson (b. 1933)

Prayer of Approach

On the edge of today . . .

On the edge of today,
A KINDER WORLD WAITS TO BE CREATED.

On the edge of today,
CHRIST DARES US TO TRAVEL LIGHT.

On the edge of today,
THE SPIRIT WILLS FOR US A GENTLER WAY OF TRAVELLING.

On the edge of today,
**TOMORROW'S MIRROR
REFLECTS FOR US
A PEOPLE OF TRUST AND JOY.**

Blessed be God.
On the edge of today,
ON THE EDGE OF TODAY . . .

Silence

But we have our old reliable ways.
WE HAVE LOUD THINGS TO SAY.

We have schedules and planners,
INSTRUCTIONS AND COMMANDS.

We hold our dominion,
HAND-HEAVY MANAGERS OF THE DAY.

Lest we miss finding God in the day,
lest we bruise faith with our certainty,
lest, in our bossiness and anxiety
we oppress our neighbours,
we say

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
A Conversation with the Younger Ones

Although there is no Sunday School during the school holidays, young ones will find activity sheets in the play area at the rear of the church.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

This is the gospel of Christ.

PRAISE TO CHRIST, THE WORD.

Knox Singers: Peace Between Nations
Christopher Wiggins (b. 1956)

Sermon: From management to discovery

*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.*

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

*To the minister's words "May we go out in peace",
you are invited to respond **"AND RETURN IN JOY"**.*

. . . **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:

Rustington

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)



1. God, your church on earth is seeking
peace and wisdom from above:
teach us all the art of speaking
with the accents of your love.

We would learn the art of listening,
living at a gentler pace,
watching, waiting, seeking, trusting,
finding you in every place.

2. You release us from our bondage,
lift the burdens, hush the din,
give new hope, new strength and courage,
grant release from fears within.
Light for darkness, joy for sorrow,
love for hatred, peace for strife -
these and countless blessings follow
as the Spirit gives new life.
3. As a sign that you are with us,
that your reign of grace has come,
here you set a table for us,
feeding faith, and making one.
Give us wonder, trust and longing
to discover, through your grace,
that we journey 'cross the oceans,
to the arms of your embrace.
4. In the streets of every city
where the bruised and lonely live,
we will show the saviour's pity
and his longing to forgive.
In all lands and with all races
we will serve, and seek to bring
to the world a lovely vision:
peace and love, through Christ the King.

*David Mowbray (b. 1938), alt.
verse 3, Matthew Jack (b. 1963)*

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 . . .

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:

Laast Uns Erfreuen

from Geistliche Kirchengesäng 1623



1. From all who dwell below the skies,
let the Creator's praise arise;
Hallelujah!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
through every land, by every tongue.
Hallelujah!
2. Eternal are your mercies, God,
eternal truth attends your word:
Hallelujah!
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore,
till suns shall rise and set no more.
Hallelujah!

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Postlude in B-flat Major
Caleb Simper (1856-1942)

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

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NOTICES

This Week: 7 July – 13 July 2019

Sunday	10.00am	Morning worship
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study

Next Week: 14 July – 20 July 2019

Sunday	10.00am	Morning worship – APW/MFW Service
	4.00pm	Knox Film Group – see below
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study

Back to Baroque – A candlelight concert. Sunday 7 July, 7pm at Knox Church. Bach Brandenburg Concerto no.4 and other hidden gems of baroque music in cooperation with Music Performance Dept of Canterbury University. Solo Violin – Mark Menzies/Recorder I – Kamala Bain/Recorder II – Lily Doak/Cello – Tomas Hurnik/Harpsichord - Daniel Cooper/Canterbury University students' string ensemble. Adult \$30, Senior \$20, Student \$10, Child Free (under 14, max one child per paying adult). Information and tickets on line at: www.barquemusic.co.nz or at the door (cash only).

Sunday lunch – join us for a casual lunch at the Opawa Café on July the 21st. Meet at around 12 pm, at the Opawa Café in Opawa Road. The café is at the block of shops on the right of Opawa Road. Turn right into Hawford Rd just past the shops and right again into the parking area. There is nice cabinet food on offer or you can choose from the menu. Interested? Then please add your name to the list, placed at the entrance of the church or email jannekenyuysink@gmail.com. To confirm numbers, names are required by Monday 15th of July.

Knox Film Group – Sunday 14 July 4pm in the lounge. **The Accidental Tourist.** The story of a man who writes travel books advising Americans how to travel without having to experience any other culture. He learns new things about life along the way (definite parallels to Harold Fry!). Best picture of the Year 1988. "One of the funniest serious movies ever made."

**Sunday 14th July – Retiring Offering
For APW/MWF Special Project 2019**

Let the Children Live

The international project working with CWS and their partner the Social Empowerment Education Programme (SEEP) in Fiji will help support "Go Organic!" in villages where it works and in new villages targeting i-Taukei (indigenous Fijians) Landowning units where major developments are planned or underway.

The New Zealand project is with Bellyful which provides free meals to families with new born babies, and families with young children who are struggling weight serious illness, particularly those where there is limited family or social support.

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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Peace

**a plan arising for 2019 - 2025
from a mission discernment process**

Peace theme review and first choices

After the service on Sunday 3 March, we gathered to review the peace service themes of February, and to reacquaint ourselves with the most popular options for mission projects for 2019. Two main contenders rose to the top:

1. Opening the church for a limited time, as a quiet place / sanctuary for people in our noisy neighbourhood
2. organising a bold Knox presence for peace at the next inter-faith Peace Bell event

We determined that we would consider these options, and gather again in late April probably to adopt them (or swap them for other hitherto less generally supported projects). Then there were the Mosque shootings, and Easter came along. We have missed the deadline of early May. But we are still committed. So I think it would be helpful for us to meet again, and decide whether we our top two should be initiated. Part of this process will be seeing whether anyone present is willing to support either of the projects, or willing to garner support from the congregation - or from people within our circle of friends. Let's gather in the children's area at 11:30am **TODAY**, Sunday 7 July.

Home-made soup and yummy bread rolls will be available after the meeting for those who would like to stay.



Bible readings for next week will be:

- Isaiah 40: 9-11
- Mark 10: 13-16

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and putting it in the offering bag.

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