



KNOX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 6 October 2019



**GO ON TIMOTHY!
YOU'RE BETTER THAN YOU THINK!**

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 church, as well as any who are seeking God sincerely,
are welcome to receive communion here.

We take care to use inclusive language in our services. References to God in traditional prayers and hymns may sometimes be gender-specific. As we pray and sing together, you're invited to adapt the words we've chosen. When we pray the "Lord's prayer", feel free to pray in your first language.

The Call to Worship:

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

**JESUS, TELLING STORIES AND SPARKING IMAGINATION;
JESUS, ASSURING US THAT WE ARE LOVED AND READY FOR LIFE;
JESUS, CALLING US TO GROW INTO OUR OWN RESEMBLANCE OF GOD.**

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.



Jenny planted
some flowers

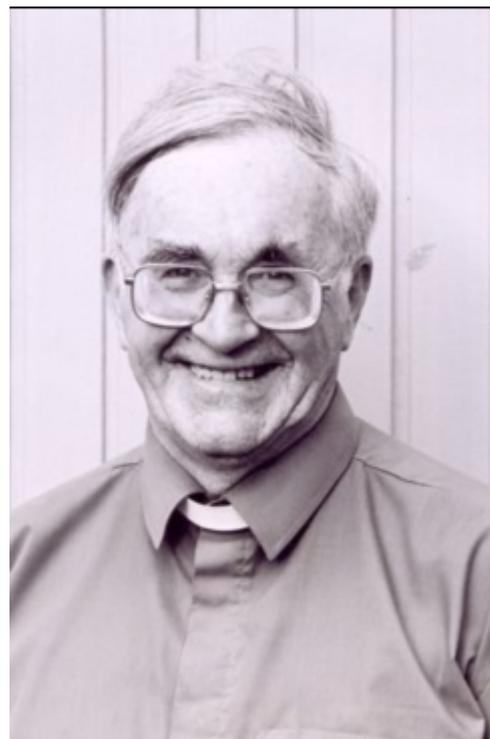
Hymn:

Rustington

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)



1. Let creation bless its Maker,
glorify God's name on high.
In God all things have their being,
live and move unceasingly:
Angels and archangels singing,
all the hosts of earth and heaven;
power and might are God's forever
who the Son to us has given.
2. Let creation greet in Jesus
God eternal's promised Christ,
seek and find in him salvation,
Lamb of God once sacrificed;
raised from death, in glory seated
into heav'n received again:
all God's children wait the moment
for the coming of his reign.
3. Let creation bless the Spirit,
present through all time and space
in the work of life's unfolding,
source of order, truth and grace:
all the wealth of words and music,
art and science, quest of faith -
these are signs that God is with us,
that the Spirit fills the earth.
4. Gracious God of threefold wonder,
undivided and supreme;
filling all things, yet descending
to our lives, to dwell within:
through the Church, let every creature
learn to love and not destroy;
let creation, reaching upward,
scale the heights of peace and joy!



David wrote a hymn

David Mowbray (b. 1938)

Prayer of Approach

From the soil in a garden,
a Creator forms a human being.
Breath is breathed into the nostrils,
and life sings its song:
PRAISE TO THE GREAT CREATOR.

From the hopes of the millennia,
the people's longing to be free,
comes forth the Christ of God.
PRAISE TO THE SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD.

From the edges of existence,
the realm of the unimagined,
wind and fire sweep upon an infant Church.
PRAISE TO THE SPIRIT OF RE-CREATION.

Within the calling of the fullness of God,
ever-old and ever-new,
someone called Timothy tries to be the best he can.
**HE WANTS TO OFFER PRAISE
AND CHANGE THE WORLD.**

But to him comes discouragement,
AND DISAPPOINTMENT.

To him comes loss of confidence
AND HARVESTS OF DOUBT.

To him come waves of criticism,
AN OCEAN IN WHICH TO DROWN.

Poor Timothy!
POOR TIMOTHY . . .

We know that you will not leave him forsaken, O God,
FOR YOU ARE LOVE.

You will not let him go,
FOR YOU ARE FAITHFULNESS.

In friends and faith, you will love and save him,
FOR YOU ARE GOD.

But for now, we confess the crushing of spirit,
THE BRUISING OF THE SOUL.

Until we learn to say “Go on, Timothy;
you are beautiful to God”,
instead 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.

Prayer of Supplication:

God, our Creator,
you made us in your image,
and called us to live creatively.

**BY YOUR SPIRIT,
KEEP US FREE FROM DISCOURAGEMENT,
OPEN TO HOPE,
DETERMINED AND JOYFUL OVER
THE GOOD GIFTS THAT DWELL WITHIN US.
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 are
welcome to be at home in the activity area at the rear of the church.*

Bible Lesson: 2 Timothy 1: 1-14

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

Music for Reflection: Improvisation
Daniel Cooper (b. 1997)



Daniel composed an improvisation

Sermon: “I’m not creative”

*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.*



Matthew wrote a sermon

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

*To the minister’s words, “Go on, Timothy”,
you are invited to respond*

“YOU’RE BETTER THAN YOU THINK”.

**... 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 bring what we have gathered,
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.



Marion's vase



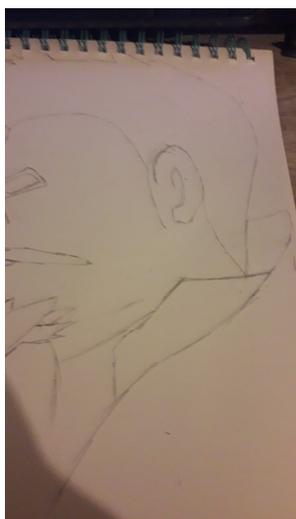
Deirdre's painting



Chris plays violin



Thom's prints



Harry's sketch

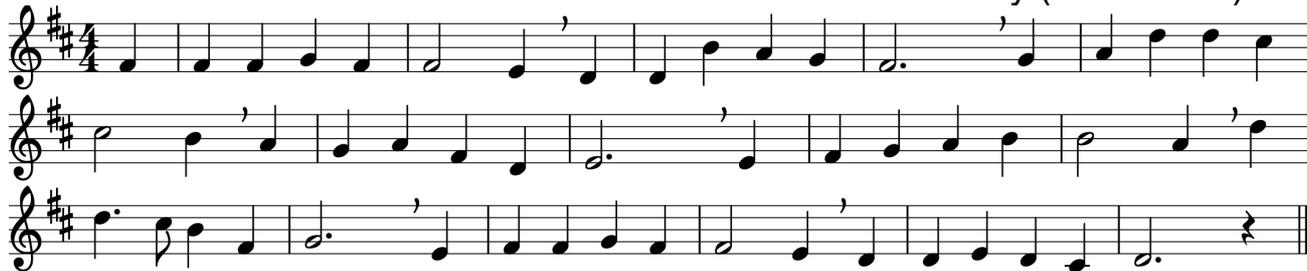
Salvador Dali:

“All children are born artists; the problem is to remain an artist as we grow up”

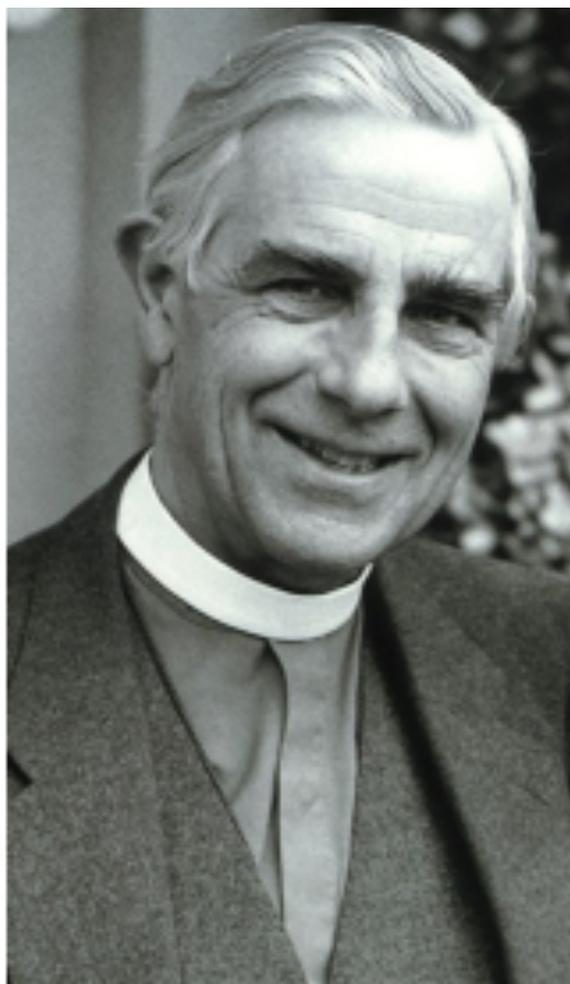
Communion Hymn:

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)



1. Light of the minds that know him,
may Christ be light to mine!
My sun in risen splendor,
my light of truth divine;
my guide in doubt and darkness,
my true and living way,
my clear light ever shining,
my dawn of heaven's day.
2. Life of the souls that love him,
may Christ be ours indeed!
The living Bread from heaven
on whom our spirits feed;
who lived for love of others,
who heaven's story told,
and made of our life's journey
an eager pilgrim's road.
3. Strength of the wills that serve him,
may Christ be strength to me,
who stilled the storm and tempest,
who calmed the tossing sea;
his Spirit's power to move me,
his will to master mine,
his cross to carry daily
and conquer in his sign.
4. May it be ours to know him
that we may truly love,
and loving, fully serve him
as serve the saints above;
till in that home of glory
with fadeless splendour bright,
we serve in perfect freedom
our strength, our life, our light.



Timothy wrote some words

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

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, 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.*



We describe the bread we break at the table as something “which earth has given and human hands have made”.

Who do you think makes our bread?

Do you think they enjoy their task of baking, or once did? If they did, but don't now, why might that be?

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:

Woodlands

Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)



1. Stand tall in Christ, all people of our God,
no other idol will suffice this hour.
In Jesus Christ all captives are set free,
all hurts are healed and hope is born anew.
2. Stand tall in Love, all people who would dare
be reconcilers where divisions lie;
in love will pain and loneliness be eased
and rainbows hung in all our hearts again.
3. Stand tall in Peace, all people who love life,
whose lives are candles in earth's darkest place,
who plead for justice and support the weak
that all might live in hope and harmony.
4. Stand tall in Faith, all people who would share
as trusting partners in God's enterprise,
whose lives would speak in deeds, not just in words,
of grace, forgiveness and a generous heart.



This is a hymn
that Margaret wrote

Margaret Kouvelis

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Praeludium in D Minor
Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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

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NOTICES

This Week: 6 October - 12 October 2019

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

Next Week: 13 October - 19 October 2019

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Please note:

Knox AGM - Sunday 13 October,
immediately after the morning service.

Knox Film Group – Sunday 6 October, 5pm in the Lounge. Film: “The Lady in the Van” adapted from the book by Alan Bennett. The eccentric, stubborn and homeless Miss Shepherd moves her broken down van into Alan Bennett’s garden. She is not an easy tenant and Alan a reluctant landlord. All welcome.

Table Talk (a group discussing and acting upon issues of faith, social justice and the environment) presents...A session with Jill Hawkey from the Christchurch Methodist Mission. Jill will be getting us up to speed on the government’s Wellbeing Budget. Sunday October 6th at The Village Church Bryndwr, 363A Ilam Rd: 6pm for a light meal, 7pm for the presentation. For any queries, please contact Annie Boardman (boardman.nz@outlook.nz).

BECA CHRISTCHURCH HERITAGE FESTIVAL Sunday 13 October - Open Day at Knox



We will be asking for volunteers to help, 1.30 – 4pm, on the day.

The Knox Singers will rehearse “Messiah” from 2 – 3.30pm.

Sunday lunch – The Oderings Barrington café has reopened its doors under new management and a new name and so, on Sunday the 20th of October at 12pm, we hope to meet you at the Kowhai Café, at the Oderings Barrington Garden Centre in Stourbridge St. There is ample parking and cabinet food as well as a small menu are on offer. Please add your name to the list at the church entrance if you would like to join us. Names are required by Monday the 14th. If you didn't put your name down and still would like to come along, you can also email jannekenuysink@gmail.com but no later than Monday the 14th, please.

This year's second peace project

Alongside the “Open Church” project, already under way, the mission discernment group determined that a second project we would trial this year was a good Knox attendance at the annual Inter-faith prayer gathering at the Peace Bell in the Botanic Gardens. We decided that rather than make a big noise and have a high profile, this year we would just go and take a look. The more people taking a look, the better. Unfortunately, the Peace Bell event is at 2:00pm on Sunday 13 October, the same day we have our AGM and an open day as part of Heritage Week. Please focus your energies on the events that day where you feel you can make the best contribution. However many people willing to go to the Peace Bell event will share lunch beforehand, and walk together to the event. A week or so later, we'll reflect on the value of the experience.





BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

On Sunday 20 October, we will be holding our annual “blessing of the animals” service. It’s been our regular practice to include a slide show in the service, featuring photos of well-loved pets who are no longer with us. If you have a photo you would like included in the slide show, please email it to Matthew (minister@knoxchurch.co.nz) by **Wednesday 16 October**. Please encourage your friends to bring their animals to the service. We make a brave effort, in light of the attendance of non-human animals, to keep the service a bit shorter than usual.



BAKING FOR CHRISTMAS



As we did last year, we will do baking for Christmas with all proceeds going to the Rebuild. There will be Christmas Cakes: Small 10cm, Medium 15cm, Large 22-23cm, Truffles, Afghans and Shortbread made by Doug Shaw.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

All recipes and some ingredients will be given. Can you make Christmas Cakes or Truffles? Donation of money to go towards the ingredients, seek and collect orders.

TIMETABLE

- October – order forms go out
- October 31st – all order forms to be returned
- November – make Christmas Cakes and Truffles
- December 7th – morning pack baking ready for delivery.

If you can help in anyway please contact:

Jennifer McKinnon, email: Jennifer.mckinnon@xtra.co.nz or 338 0333,
Jane in the office, email: office@knoxchurch.co.nz or 379 2456. Extra order forms can be obtained from the Church office or from the table in the foyer.

Te Raranga



Wednesday 30th October, 9am - 4.00pm

The story of the Gospel in this region is important, and often neglected. We do not live and minister in a bubble of just the present. Knowing the history informs the present and can make a very significant and positive contribution to the future. The hikoi will give an introduction to the story of the gospel here in Otautahi, especially in the early days of Maori / European contact and European settlement, with the aim of constructively influencing both our present context and future developments. The Spirit of God is at work in our region, we aim to better understand the work of the Spirit in the past, so we can be more a part of the Spirit's work now and in the days to come. At each of the three sites we visit, we will be in the hands of our hosts, Anglicans, Methodists and Catholics. They will use the time as they wish, they will tell their story, they will pose whatever questions they wish.

Outline for the day.

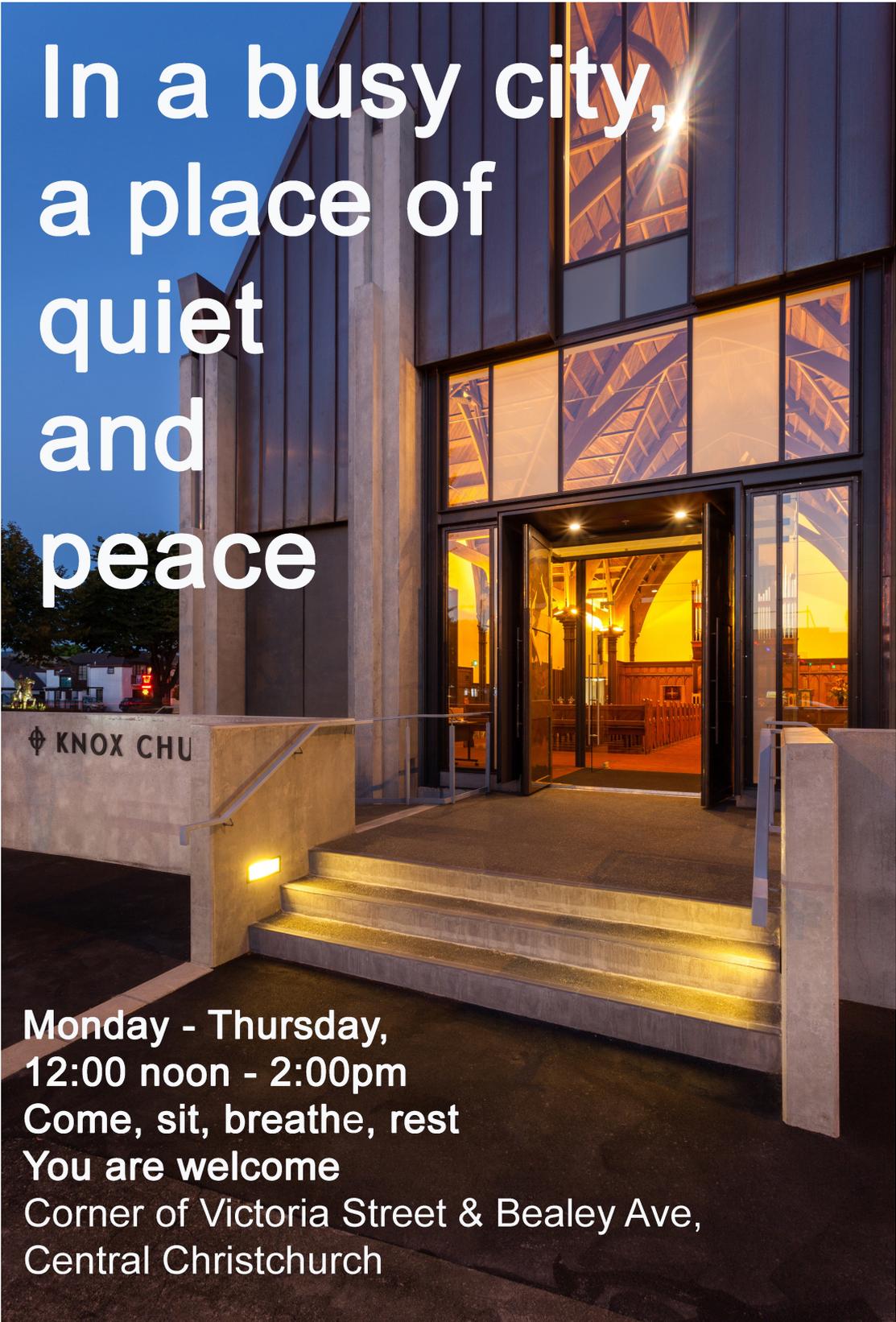
- 9.00 am Rendezvous at St Marys Pro-Cathedral, 373 Manchester St. Depart in the bus. Some parking is available on site, more in surrounding streets.
- 9.30 am Arrive at Tuahiwi
- 11.00 am Depart for Rehua Marae, Springfield Rd
- 11.30 am Arrive at Rehua Marae
- 1.00 pm Lunch in the wharekai at Rehua. Please bring some finger food to contribute to a shared meal.
- 2.00 pm Depart for the Basilica, Barbadoes St.
- 2.15 pm Arrive at the Basilica, then return to St Mary's
- 4.00 pm Poroporoaki – summation of the day, farewell comments, thanks to hosts.

Cost \$20.00

Registration

Please book your seat by email to Te Raranga at briennedavies@gmail.com

Please remember to bring a contribution to the shared lunch.



In a busy city,
a place of
quiet
and
peace

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Monday - Thursday,
12:00 noon - 2:00pm
Come, sit, breathe, rest
You are welcome
Corner of Victoria Street & Bealey Ave,
Central 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



Bible readings for next week will be:

- 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c
- Luke 17: 11-19

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and putting it in the offering bag.

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