



# KNOX CHURCH

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## Order of Service 10 November 2019

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## GOD OF THE LIVING

## 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.

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, GOD'S HEART MADE REAL;**

**JESUS, DARING US TO LIVE WITH HOPE;**

**JESUS, BRINGING US A FRESH NEW DAY.**

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

**MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.**

### Hymn:

Bunessan

Gaelic melody



1. This day God gives me  
strength of high heaven,  
sun and moon shining,  
flame in my hearth,  
flashing of lightning,  
wind in its swiftness,  
depths of the ocean,  
firmness of earth.
2. This day God sends me  
strength to sustain me,  
might to uphold me,  
wisdom as guide.  
Your eyes are watchful,  
your ears are listening,  
your lips are speaking,  
friend at my side.
3. God's way is my way,  
God's shield is round me,  
God's host defends me,  
saving from ill.  
Angels of heaven,  
drive from me always  
all that would harm me,  
stand by me still.
4. Rising, I thank you,  
mighty and strong One,  
king of creation,  
giver of rest,  
firmly confessing  
threeness of persons,  
oneness of Godhead,  
trinity blest.

*James Quinn (1919-2010), alt.*

### **Prayer of Approach**

For the gift of life,  
**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD.**

For the gift of this day,  
**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD.**

For the gift of those who have loved us,  
**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD.**

God has given us many blessings.  
**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD.**

Rising, we thank you,  
**MIGHTY AND STRONG ONE,**

King of creation,  
**GIVER OF REST,**

firmly confessing  
**THREENESS OF PERSONS,**

oneness of Godhead,  
**TRINITY BLESSED.**

*Silence*

For the way we mock the faith of others,  
**WE CONFESS TO GOD.**

For our manipulating of the truth,  
**WE CONFESS TO GOD.**

For our smallness of heart and mind,  
**WE CONFESS TO GOD.**

For the way the man of love was crucified,  
**WE CONFESS TO GOD.**

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 of the living,  
in you Jesus found life and hope.  
In you, he found faith and confidence.  
**MAY WE, WHO FOLLOW HIM,  
SHARE IN HIS JOY AND PEACE.**

We pray this in his name,  
and use 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**

#### **Young People's Blessing:**

Young ones, go to your worship with our blessing.

**TAKE OUR FAITH AND HOPE;  
MAKE NEW THINGS WITH WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN.  
MAY GOD BLESS AND GROW YOU.  
AMEN.**

*Young ones are welcome to move through to the Sala del Sol (upstairs in the Knox Centre) for well supervised, faith-based youth activities.*

**The First Lesson:** Job 19: 23-27

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

## **Knox Singers**

**The Gospel Lesson:** Luke 20: 27-38

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

**Hymn:**

Blaenwern

William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)



1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers,  
Christ has risen where hope died,  
as he said and as he promised,  
as we doubted and denied.  
Let the moon embrace the blessing;  
let the sun sustain the cheer;  
let the world confirm the rumour –  
Christ is risen, God is here!
2. Christ has risen for the people  
whom he loved and died to save;  
Christ has risen for the women  
bringing flowers to grace his grave.  
Christ has risen for disciples  
huddled in an upstairs room.  
He whose word inspired creation  
is not silenced by the tomb.
3. Christ has risen, and for ever  
lives to challenge, and to change  
all whose lives are messed or mangled,  
all who find religion strange.  
Christ is risen. Christ is present,  
making us what he has been –  
evidence of transformation  
in which God is known and seen.

*John Bell (b. 1949)*

*and Graham Maule (b. 1958)*

## **Sermon:**

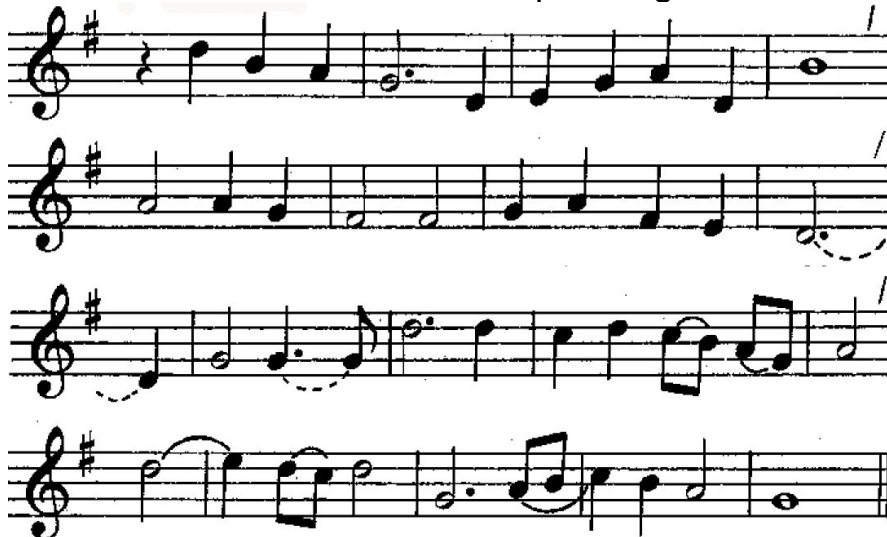
That life might come

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:**

Sine Nomine

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)



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| 1. Give thanks for life,<br>the measure of our days,<br>mortal, we pass through<br>beauty that decays,<br>yet sing to God our hope,<br>our love, our praise,<br>Alleluia!                       | 3. And for our own, our living<br>and our dead,<br>thanks for the love by<br>which our life is fed,<br>a love not changed by time<br>or death or dread,<br>Alleluia! |
| 2. Give thanks for those<br>who made their life a light<br>caught from the Christ-flame,<br>bursting through the night,<br>who touched the truth, who<br>burned for what is right,<br>Alleluia! | 4. Give thanks for hope,<br>that like the wheat, the grain<br>lying in darkness<br>does its life retain,<br>in resurrection<br>to grow green again.<br>Alleluia!     |

*Shirley Murray (b. 1931)*

## **Prayers for Others and Ourselves**

*led by Andrew Johnston*

## The Offering and Dedication

*We stand for the dedication of the Offering*

We offer food

**THAT PEOPLE MIGHT EAT.**

We offer presents,

**THAT PEOPLE MIGHT CELEBRATE.**

We offer our hearts and minds,

**PRAYING THAT GOD WILL EXPAND THEM,**

**FOR THE BLESSING OF THE WORLD.**

**AMEN.**

## Notices

### The Remembrance Sunday Litany

A Period of Silence

ANZAC Ode

## 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.

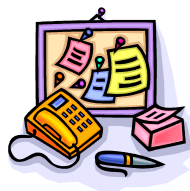
*Martin Rinkart (1586-1649),  
tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt*

## **Benediction and Sung Amen**

## **Postlude**

Following the service, tea and coffee are served in the Church

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## **NOTICES**

<b>This Week:</b>	<b>10 November – 16 November 2019</b>
Sunday	10.00am Morning Worship 2.30pm Knox Singers A New Messiah – <b>See below</b>
Wednesday	10.00am Bible Study

**Next Week: 17 November – 22 November 2019**  
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship  
Monday 7.30pm Knox Fireside Group – **see below**  
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

**KNOX SINGERS – A NEW MESSIAH** - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm at Knox Church. Join the Knox Singers and Seasoning Ensemble with guest artists for a new interpretation of Handel's Messiah. Cash Door sales \$25 (un-waged), \$30 (waged).

**PILLARS** - Council has approved that for the first three 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 who have family members in prison. Food especially Christmas type food, toiletries, gifts suitable for children and teenagers etc welcome and will be well used. This is the tenth year Knox has donated goods to PILLARS .

**SUNDAY LUNCH** – on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November, at around 12pm, we will be meeting for lunch 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 join us and add your name to the attendance list at the church entrance. Names are required by Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>. If you didn't put your name down and still would like to come along, you can also email [jannekenyuysink@gmail.com](mailto:jannekenyuysink@gmail.com) but no later than Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>, please.

**KNOX LIFE** – Deadline for articles for the next Knox Life – Friday 15 November. Please forward to [office@knoxchurch.co.nz](mailto:office@knoxchurch.co.nz)

**KNOX FIRESIDE GROUP** - The next meeting of the Knox Fireside group will be on Monday November 18 at 7 30pm *in the Church*. Jonet Ward will be the speaker Topic "A cruise along the Kimberley coast and Arnhem Land". All welcome

**SUE SPIEGEL QUILTING SALE** – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November. As she did last year Sue will have a range of her quilting goods for sale. All proceeds to go to Knox.

**Knox church values the support of all who are involved in our community's life. Knox Church is a charity. All charitable donations are eligible for a tax rebate of 33%. Bank account 03 1705 0029641 00. Put your name in the reference field and email your contact details to the office or donations secretary. For further information or options contact: [office@knoxchurch.co.nz](mailto:office@knoxchurch.co.nz) Ph. 3792456 or Janet Wilson, Donations Secretary [janmwil507@gmail.com](mailto:janmwil507@gmail.com) Ph. 338 7203.**

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Singers

Seasoning Ensemble



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BY G.F. HANDEL

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INTERPRETATION OF HANDEL'S  
BELOVED ORATORIO

SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 7:30PM AND SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2:30PM

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### **The Bible readings for next week will be:**

- posted on the website during the week

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