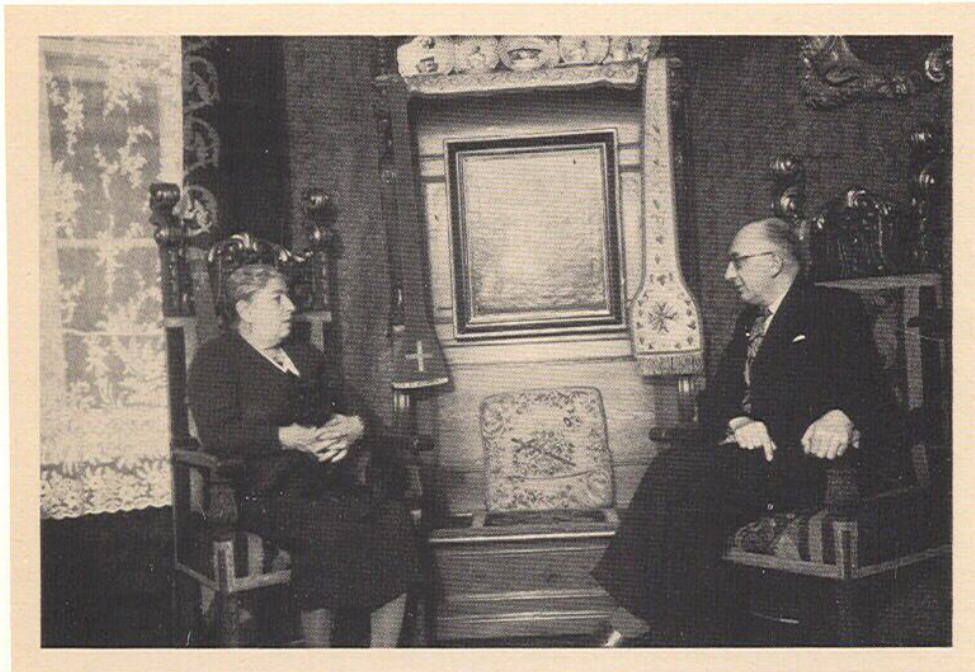




KNOX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 17 January 2021



*Wir verstanden uns eigentlich großartig, aber irgendwas
war zwischen uns...*

KNOWING AND BEING KNOWN

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, KNOWING THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE BY LIVING IT;

JESUS, SURPRISING A CYNIC WITH GENUINE ATTENTION;

JESUS, CALLING US INTO A LIFE OF FAITH AND COMMUNITY.

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

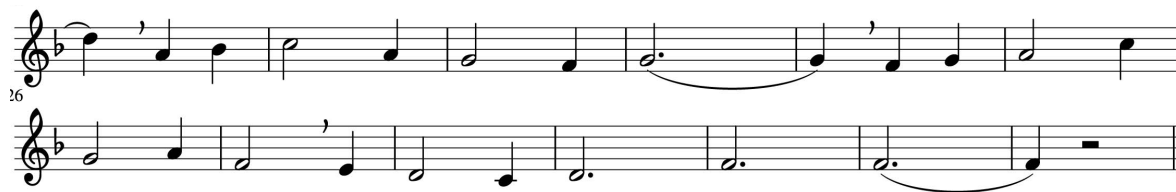
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Hymn:

Kelvingrove

Scottish Traditional Tune





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?
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?
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?
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)

Prayer of Approach:

Will you love the 'you' you hide
IF I BUT CALL YOUR NAME?

Will you quell the fear inside
AND NEVER BE THE SAME?

Who, O God,
is this "you" we hide within ourselves?
Who are these frightened ones,
whose fears need to be quelled?
And what of this "me in you",
and "you in me" engagement
that brings life and growth
and worship?

"Lord, you have searched me and known me";
YOU KNOW US DEEPLY.

And knowing us,
YOU DECLARE YOUR LOVE.

For now, and for us,
this is enough.
We keep a moment of quiet.

Silence

The One who knows us,
calls us also to know others
and to be known by them.
Therefore, we confess
our inclinations to shut others out of our lives.
We confess our failures to hear people
when they say to us "this is who I am".

**WE CONFESS THAT WHILE GOD OFFERS
MANY OPPORTUNITIES
TO LOVE AND BE LOVED,
WE OFTEN SHUT THE DOOR.**

Our world is not as friendly, hospitable,
shared as it should be.
So 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 of knowing,
of love and community,
through Jesus,
you arrested the attention of Nathaniel,
by revealing to him that he was known,
deeply known.

You called him to follow you,
becoming part of a movement of love.

**CALL US ALSO, O GOD,
INTO YOUR SHARING OF LIFE,
THAT WE MIGHT BE PART
OF THE HEALING OF THE WORLD.**

We pray this in the name of Jesus,
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.

Our next Sunday School day is some time in February. Today the young ones are welcome to enjoy the play area at the back of the church, where they will find activity sheets.

The First Lesson: Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

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

The Gospel Lesson: John 1: 43-51

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

Hymn:

Sursum Corda

Alfred Morton Smith (1879-1971)



1. Thou art before me Lord, thou art behind,
And thou above me hast spread out thy hand;
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
Too high to grasp, too great to understand.
2. Then whither from thy Spirit shall I go,
And whither from thy presence shall I flee?
If I ascend to heaven thou art there
And in the lowest depths I meet with thee.
3. If I should take my flight into the dawn,
If I should dwell on ocean's farthest shore,
Thy mighty hand would rest upon me still,
And thy right hand would guard me evermore.
4. If I should say 'Darkness will cover me,
And I shall hide within the veil of night',
Surely the darkness is not dark to thee,
The night is as the day, the darkness light.

5. Search me, O God, and know my heart,
Try me, O God, my mind and spirit try;
Keep me from any path that gives thee pain,
And lead me in the everlasting way.

Ian Robertson Pitt-Watson (1923-1995)

Sermon: You don't know me?

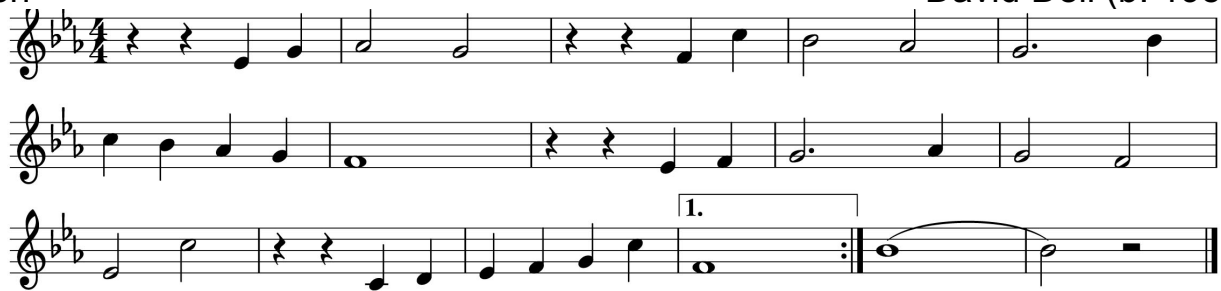
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Hard copies of the sermons are available before and after the service – ask the person at the door. Or you can watch a video of the sermon at: <https://youtu.be/el5d2DYy-W0>*

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

Hymn:

Ellen

David Dell (b. 1959)



1. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be,
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.
2. Like a mother, you enfold me,
hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body,
form me of your flesh and bone.
3. Like a father, you protect me,
teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder,
let me see the world from high.
4. Friend and lover, in your closeness
I am known and held and blessed:
in your promise is my comfort,
in your presence I may rest.

5. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be,
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.

Shirley Murray (1931-2020)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Stephen Best

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

May the food we offer

CREATE COMFORT AT THE TABLE.

May the money we offer

ENABLE GOOD THINGS TO HAPPEN.

And may we offer also our human company,

THAT WE MIGHT KNOW AND BE KNOWN,

BECOMING EXPRESSIONS

OF THE HEALING LOVE OF GOD.

AMEN.

Notices

Hymn:

Regent Square

Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879)



1. Glory to our God, Creator,
glory be to Christ, our Sun,
glory be to God the Spirit,
great Redeemer, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
while eternal ages run.

2. Glory be to One who loved us,
came our loyalties to claim;
glory be to God who won us,
caught our spirits in the flame;
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
to the One whose love remains.
3. Glory be to God in this day,
with our current weal and woe;
glory be to God who calls us,
in whose name we've far to go.
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
to the God in Christ we know.
4. 'Glory, blessing, praise eternal!'
thus the choir of angels sings;
'Honour, riches, power, dominion!'
thus its praise creation brings;
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
from our hearts our worship springs!

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889), alt.

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Festive March
Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Following the service, morning tea and coffee are served in the Knox Centre Lounge

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NOTICES

This Week: 17 January – 23 January 2021
 Sunday Morning Worship

Next Week: 24 January – 30 January 2021
 Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship

Sunday 7th February - A Special Morning Tea will be held to celebrate the commissioning of Neil Lambie and John Laing as new members of Council. If you are willing to bring a small plate, please contact Jennifer McKinnon.

Rosters for 2021- 2022 - Because of retirements and people moving away we need additional people for our Door Duty and Morning Tea Rosters. The rosters run from March 2021 – February 2022. If you can help with any or both Rosters please contact, Jennifer McKinnon jennifer.mckinnon@xtra.co.nz , or the Church Office, office@knoxchurch.co.nz

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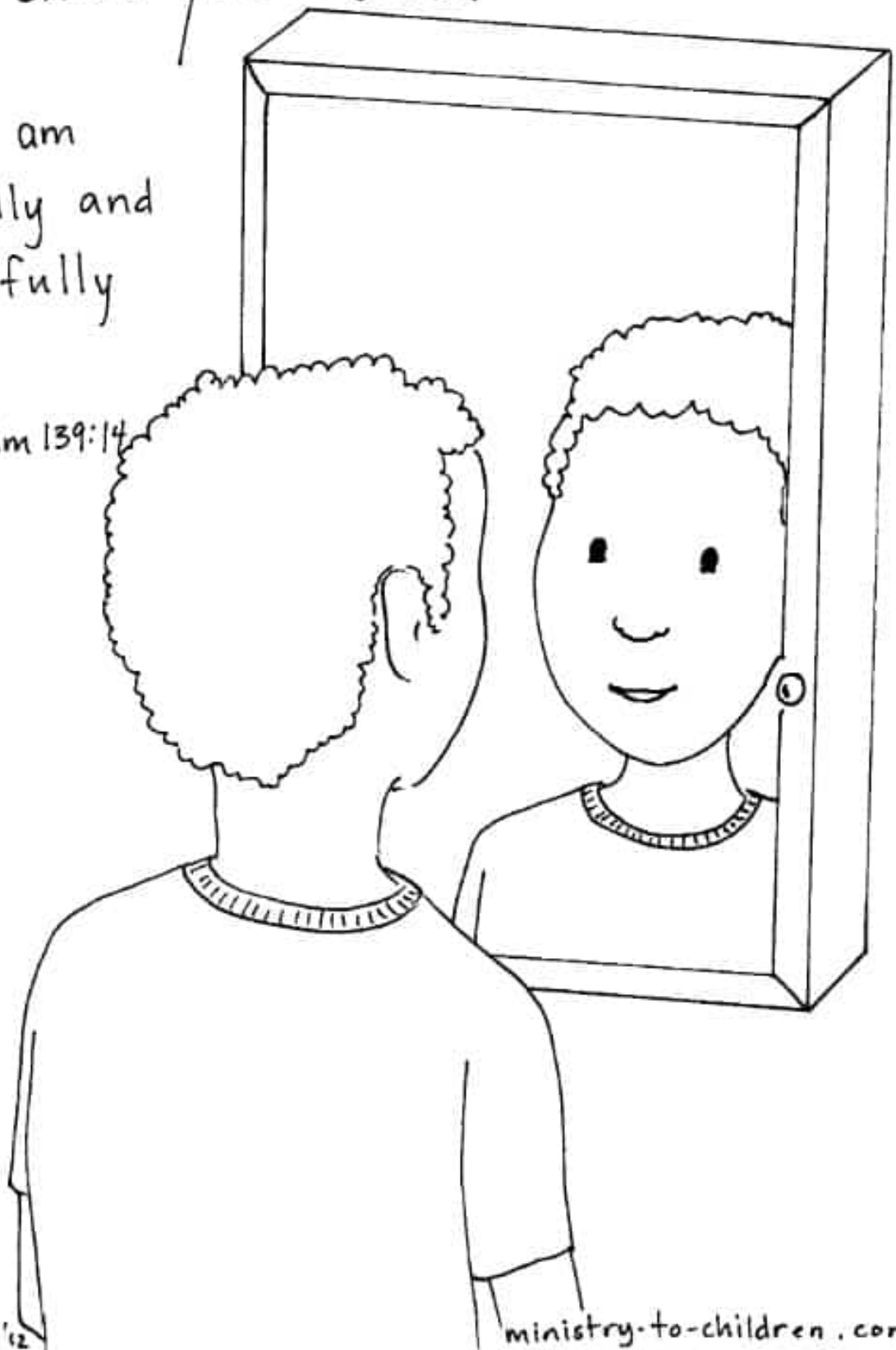
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HOLD	SEARCH	HEAVENS	GUIDE	SPIRIT
HAND	NIGHT	RISE	HIDE	TONGUE

I praise you God,

for I am
fearfully and
wonderfully
made.

Psalm 139:14





The Bible readings for next week will be:

- Jonah 3:1-5, 10
- Mark 1: 14-20

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