



KNOX CHURCH

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Order of Service 28 March 2021



HOSANNA!

a service for Palm Sunday

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.

***At 10:00am, we gather in the Knox Centre Lounge,
to collect our palm branches.***

Welcome and Explanation

The Palm Sunday Narrative: Mark 11: 1-11

The Gathering

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

PEACE IN HEAVEN

AND GLORY IN THE HIGHEST HEAVEN!

Heading into the church, the main procession will leave the Knox Centre by the Bealey Avenue doors, walking west along Bealey Avenue towards Victoria Street, entering the church through the Victoria Street doors. Those needing a shorter route to church should feel free to enter the church straight from the Knox Centre's internal doors.

As the procession leaves the lounge, we begin to sing:

Hymn:

St Theodulph

Later form of melody by Melchior Teschner (1584-1635)



*All glory, praise and honour
to thee, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

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| 1. Thou art the king of Israel,
thou David's royal son,
who in the Lord's name comest
the king and blessed one.
<i>All glory . . .</i> | 3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present.
<i>All glory . . .</i> |
| 2. The company of angels
are praising thee on high,
and mortals all and all things
created make reply.
<i>All glory . . .</i> | 4. To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to thee now high exalted
our melody we raise.
<i>All glory . . .</i> |
| 5. Thou didst accept their praises:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious king.
<i>All glory . . .</i> | |

*Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821)
tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)*

Prayer of Approach

Jesus, Lenten Lord and bearer of the cross,
at your birth angels sang your praises.
At your baptism, the sky spoke its pleasure.
At your transfiguration, eternity called you its Son.

**MAY THE PRAISES OF THIS DAY
FIND PLACE AMONG THOSE PROCLAMATIONS
THAT STRENGTHENED YOU
AND GAVE YOU JOY.**

Along with our lifted palms and singing,
we offer silent praise.

Silence

The praises of today, dear Jesus,
will become hatred and judgment by tomorrow.
Our love wavers and fails.
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:

Even if it be for just a moment, O God,
enable us to see your image in Jesus
and to rejoice.

**MAKE OF US A NURTURING OF THE HOLY,
AN ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE GOOD
AND A HOME FOR THE SPIRIT.**

We pray this in the name of Palm Sunday Jesus,
using the words he taught us, saying:

**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.

A Conversation with the Younger Ones

Knox Singers: Ye gates, lift up your doors on high
St George's, Edinburgh

The Young One's Prayer:

E te Atua
Homai to aroha ki nga Kaiako
me ngā tamariki.
Homai to aroha ki ngā whānau
me tēnei hāhi
Āmine

*O Lord,
we give thanks for our teachers
and the children.
We give thanks for our families
and the (Knox) congregation
Amen.*

The 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.**

*Parents, grandparents, care-givers,
are encouraged to join the young ones at Sunday School.*

Our next Sunday School day is 2 May.

The Bible Lesson: Philippians 2: 5-11

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

Hymn:

St Leonard's

Arthur Cyril Barham Gould (1891-1953)



1. May the mind of Christ my Saviour
live in me from day to day,
by his love and power redeeming
all I do and say.
2. May the love of Jesus fill me
as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self denying,
this is victory.
3. May I run the race before me
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go.

Katie Barclay Wilkinson (1859-1928), alt.

Sermon:

Sun and rain for the seed

A video of this sermon being practised has been uploaded to YouTube and the link will go live at 10:00am today. Go to:
<https://youtu.be/XkZOKs3Rhhc> The script is available at:
<http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/sermons.html>, and hard copies are available in the church foyer.

Hymn:

Miles Lane

William Shrubsole (c.1759-1806)



1. All hail the power of Jesus' name;
let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
to crown him Lord of all.
2. Crown him, ye martyrs of our God,
who from his altar call;
praise him whose way of pain you trod,
and crown him Lord of all.
3. And ye, whose love can ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go spread your trophies at his feet
and crown him Lord of all.
4. Let every tribe and every tongue
responsive to his call,
now shout in universal song
and crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet (1726-1792)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Lesley Hunt

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

Along with this money and food,
we offer ourselves:

**THE IMAGE OF GOD WITHIN US,
OUR DESIRE TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER
AND THE WORLD OF PEOPLE AROUND US.**

We offer all in the hope that Christ may flourish among us,
**FOR HIS MERCY'S SAKE,
AMEN.**

Notices

We stand for

The Lenten Litany:

O Christ,
bearing the image of God
proudly in your character and life,
you elicited from the people
joyful songs and praises.
Along the Lenten path,
LEAD US LORD JESUS.

O Christ,
with courage and love
you entered the heart of the city;
you never shied away
from the call upon your life.
Along the Lenten path,
LEAD US LORD JESUS.

God of love,
as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us,
so may we give ourselves to you,
living according to your will.
**KEEP OUR FEET FIRMLY IN THE WAY WHERE CHRIST LEADS US,
THIS LENT, AND ALL OUR DAYS.**

Leaving Lent behind us,
stepping with Christ into Holy Week,
his time of trial,
WE PRAY THAT GOD BE WITH US,
guard us, guide us,
KEEP US, FEED US,
that we may arrive in faith
at the light and life of Easter Day.
AMEN.

Hymn:

Mannheim

Friedrich Filitz (1804-1876), ad. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)



1. Lead us, O Creator, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing
if our God our Keeper be.
2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe:
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.
3. Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston (1791-1867), ad.

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Improvisation
Daniel Cooper (b. 1997)

Following the service, morning tea and coffee are served in the church

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NOTICES

This Week: 28 March – 3 April 2021

Sunday	10.00am	Morning Worship
	11.15am	Knox Book Group – see below
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study
Thursday	7.30pm	Tenebrae at Aldersgate, Durham St
Friday	10.00am	Good Friday Service

Next Week: 4 April – 10 April 2021

Sunday	10.00am	Easter Day Service - Communion
Wednesday	10.00am	Bible Study

**Reminder to put your clocks back on Saturday 3 April –
Daylight Savings ends!**

Sunday 28 March 11.15am Book Group in the lounge. Two Steps Forward by Graeme Simsion and Anne Buist traces the journey of Zoe and Martin as they separately walk the 2000 kilometres from Cluny in France to Santiago di Compostella in Spain, along the centuries-old Camino. Their paths and stories intertwine, along with the people they meet on the way.

End of Financial Year - The end of the financial year is rapidly approaching, which means that soon afterwards all donors to registered charities like Knox Church will be able to apply to the IRD for a refund of one third of the amount of their donations for the year. If you've been thinking of making a donation to Knox why not do it before the end of March and be able to get your refund a month or so afterwards? The recent Knox Life gives you several ways to make a donation. Just make sure we know your name so that we can send you the all-important receipt! **Janet Wilson. Donation Secretary.**

Lenten Programme 2021 - Experiencing Jesus - Based on the writing of N.J. Scholar Marcus Borg (author of 'Meeting Jesus for the first time'). This relaxed small group setting is an opportunity to answer Jesus' questions to the disciples, 'Who do you say I am' in the light of 21st Century experience. **Dates**, April 11, 18. **Time**, Sunday Mornings **BEFORE** worship 9am – 9.45 am. Yes, it is different being before church but it's also a nice and fresh way to start Sunday. The season is still warm! Think about it. **Len Pierce**



EASTER DAY BREAKFAST APRIL 4, 2021



As we have done in other years, we will be celebrating Easter Day with breakfast on Easter Day April 4.

Breakfast will be served from 8.30 – 9.00 am in the Knox Lounge.
Breakfast—Fruit and Cereal: Scrambled Eggs and Bacon: Toast and Spread:
Tea, Coffee

Cost \$5 per person \$10 per family.

There are clip boards by both doors to be filled in by Sunday March 28. We need to get an idea of numbers for food ordering but there will be food for extras.

Knox Café April 18th 2021 - At our next Knox Café, 7:00pm on Sunday 18 April, in the Lounge, Rev Darryn Hickling will speak about his ministry as the coordinator of the **StreeTs ministry**, here in central Christchurch. Darryn describes his ministry like this:

1. As a ministry of the Christchurch Central Methodist Parish, this position exists for the purpose of engaging with the inner-city community of Christchurch in innovative and creative ways.
2. It continues to explore new expressions of ministry and mission in the city.
3. It finds creative ways of engaging with the 'soul' of the city in its myriad forms and expressions.
4. It cultivates an ability to 'lurk' and listen and get alongside people from all walks of life in the city.

All are welcome - BYO Snacks, Beverages Tea, Coffee provided

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 Ph 3792456 or Janet Wilson, Donations Secretary janmwil507@gmail.com Ph 338 7203.



The Bible readings for next week will be:

- Matthew 28: 1-8
- Acts 2: 22-28

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