



KNØX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 14 November 2021



THE FAITHFUL PRIEST COMES TO CHURCH

walking confidently in the new and living way

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.

Pre-service Music - the organ music before the service is an extended improvisation on the hymn tunes featured in the service.

The Call to Worship:

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

**JESUS, GOD'S GOOD NEWS WRITTEN ON THE HUMAN HEART;
JESUS, WHOSE WORK WE ARE ONLY BEGINNING TO COMPREHEND;
JESUS, WHOSE LOVE GIVES LIFE TO OUR PRAISE.**

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hymn:

Thaxted

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)





1. O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and act upon your word,
we honour and adore you, our great and mighty God.
2. Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favour may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Michael Perry (b. 1942)

Prayer of Approach

Were we not in a strange season, O God,
of not singing out loud,
still we would carry the delightful burden
of not quite knowing that our words were enough:
A SONG FOR A GOD BEYOND PRAISING.

Were we experts in mystery and meaning,
knowing where the snow is kept
and where the sea limits were set,
were we wise in the ways of the meaning of life
and the purpose of faith,
THEN MAYBE WE WOULD KNOW WHAT TO PRAY.

But here we are,
just who we are,
coming to this place,
quietly to frame among those others who are on the Way
this joyful duty,
OUR SACRIFICE OF PRAISE.

We treasure moments like this, O God,
these times among others
gently to reflect on our life.
We cherish the chance
to be still,
and to listen
for what you are writing on our hearts.
**RECEIVE OUR SILENT WORSHIP,
THROUGH JESUS, THE ONE WHO LISTENS.**

Silence

We confess, O God,
that silent worship
is not our usual mode.

We rush,
WE PUSH;

we chase,
WE HUNT;

we obfuscate,
WE LIE;

we give ourselves to the pursuit of silly circles
IN WHICH WE WEARY THE WORLD.

Because in Christ we have seen a great kindness,
and because in seeing it,
we feel that we have seen you,
we are bold to release to you
our acknowledgement of our failing,
even as 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, your Jesus came to live among us,
inspiring us with his spirited freedom;
he broke open the ever-decreasing circles,
and opened the eyes of the faithful
to see ahead of them
a new and living way.

**INSPIRE US ALSO,
THAT WE TOO MIGHT MOVE WITH CONFIDENT JOY
INTO YOUR REALM OF FORGIVENESS
AND A PEACEFUL HEART.**

Using the words of Jesus,
the great high priest,
together we say:

**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.**

*In a suitably physically remote way,
we exchange a sign of peace with one another.*

*Our next Sunday School day will happen once we're out of Alert Level Two,
and will operate in way consistent with whatever constraints are recommended.*

The First Lesson: Psalm 16

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

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 10: 11-25

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

Hymn:

Coe Fen

Kenneth Naylor (1931-1991)



1. How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?
2. Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heav'n is but once begun
there alleluias be.
3. Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
in flame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part

with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4. How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

John Mason (c.1645-1694)

Sermon: Come out of that circle!

*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.*

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

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Len Pierce

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

We bring our offering to God's altar.

May God write the law of love on our hearts.

May God prompt in our minds words we know we need to say
for the sake of our brothers and sisters.

**AND MAY GOD BLESS WHAT WE BRING,
THAT IT MAY OPEN UP FOR OTHERS
A NEW AND LIVING WAY.
AMEN.**

Notices

Hymn:

Nun Danket

Johann Crüger (1598-1662)



1. Christ is the world's true light,
the source of its salvation,
the day-star clear and bright
for each and every nation;
new life, new hope awakes
where people own his sway:
freedom her bondage breaks,
and night is turned to day.
2. In Christ all peoples meet,
their ancient feuds forgetting,
the whole round world complete,
from sunrise to its setting:
when Christ is throned as Lord,
we shall forsake our fear,
to ploughshare beat the sword,
to pruning-hook the spear.
3. One Lord, in one great name
unite us all who own you;
cast out our pride and shame
that hinder to enthrone you;
the world has waited long,
has travailed long in pain;
come, heal its ancient wrong,
come, Prince of Peace, and reign!

George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959)

Benediction

Postlude: Prelude on "O filii et filiae"
Healey Willian (1880-1968)

During the current Covid containment level, we are not having our usual post-service morning tea. Should you wish to linger in the church for company and conversation, please do - just remember to maintain suitable physical distancing.

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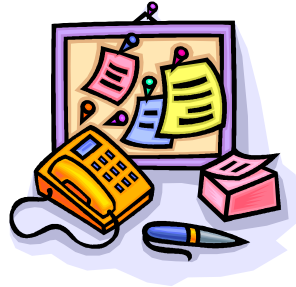
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all-day							
9 AM					8:30 AM Take a bath in fresh, pure water. Pick up ladder from church to access the ceiling panel in the garage - check the ceiling cavity for a great high priest. If it's not a great high priest, maybe buy some rat poison.		9 AM Go to Knox and talk to someone about how this new and living way wasn't too new and living. See if you can work out what went wrong again.
10 AM				9:30 AM Write a brilliant sermon. Go for a confident walk through Northlands Mall - note to self - when trying to look confident, make sure not to look arrogant - wrong impression			
11 AM	10:45 AM Check out my heart - see if anything is written on it		11 AM Either: encourage someone who seems down-hearted, Or peep through the curtains and see if God is about			10:15 AM Sit down at the right hand and check out the poor state of the enemies.	
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NOTICES

This Week: 14 November – 20 November 2021

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 21 November – 27 November 2021

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Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

PILLARS - Council has approved that for the first three Sundays in November instead of our food 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 eleventh year Knox has donated goods to PILLARS.

SENIORS END OF YEAR PARTY - We know how well appreciated the End of Year Seniors function is. It is one of Knox's highlights! Unfortunately, due to uncertainty over the government's requirements for gatherings during Covid times – we feel it is better to postpone until such time as we can hold the event safely.

SUNDAY LUNCH 21 NOV - We are hoping we can get together again for lunch at the Oderings Barrington café (Urban Eatery) in November, at the usual time of 12pm. If you would like to join us, please put your name down for this event. Attendance lists are at the church entrance, but you can also send an email to jannekenyuysink@gmail.com preferably by Wednesday the 17th.

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.



"This started off with me wanting to get into rowing. My teacher said, 'this is gonna be bloody expensive.' So I looked at ways to find money; I was looking at getting some sort of minimum wage job.

Then I thought why don't I start my own business? And then it was like, it's got to be an eco-friendly business. If it's not eco-friendly, what am I doing? Like, I'm young. I need to think about what my future is and how I need to help the environment.

I actually watched a few YouTube videos, and I found that you can turn bottle-caps into chopping boards and stuff like that. And then I thought, why don't we make skateboards out of them? And then that whole idea just blew up into this massive thing. And yeah from there, I realized, once I start if I really focus on this, I don't think I really need to get into rowing to keep myself active. This is such a big thing in my life now.

Obviously, we are in a very dangerous spot right now about the environment and about climate change. I needed to do something quick. So I felt like I'm doing my part. Using 1200 bottle caps per skateboard that aren't in Kate Valley makes me so proud.

My dream is to just keep on making them. I mean, my dream would be we learn a way to recycle caps. That would put me out of business completely, but I would be fine with that. Because that's my dream. I want us to be recycling. And also my dream is to teach people that everything doesn't need to look amazing. Like, it doesn't all need to be the same colour. We don't need everything to have a label on it. It's okay to be a little bit rustic.

Yeah, I mean, this project wouldn't be here without Ao Tawhiti school really. The school is supporting me by giving me time to do what I want. We call it home-base to SDL time; we spend about six hours a week in home-base doing SDL. SDL stands for self-directed learning.

Next term I'm doing a business class. So that's big for me. I'm learning through doing, but also like, I'm year 10 so I don't need to fully focus on getting NCEA right now. I mean, you've got to come here to learn. You're here to learn. I'm just so proud of what I've done."

- Neith



The Bible readings for next week will be:

- Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14
- John 18: 33-37

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