



KNØX CHURCH

love faith outreach community justice

Order of Service 8 May 2022



"Jesus calls his twelve disciples"
Sadao Watanabe, 1965

THE DISCIPLES' JOURNEY

a second service based around reflections
prompted by Pete Majendie's "Matthew's Gospel" exhibition

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, CALLING PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL ONTO A JOURNEY;

JESUS, OPENING HUMAN EYES TO GODLY MYSTERY;

JESUS, SHARING HIS LOVE AND WISDOM WITH THE WORLD.

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hymn:

St Andrew

Edward Henry Thorne (1834-1916)



1. Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult
of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his voice is sounding,
saying "Christian, follow me".
2. Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying "Christian, love me more".
3. In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these".
4. Jesus calls us! By your mercy,
Saviour, make us hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all.

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Prayer of Approach

His heart set in love,
his vision set on God,
his mind full of parables,
and his hands full of fish and bread,
he came to the world.

**PRAISE GOD
FOR THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST.**

He began by calling a few to come with him:
to journey,
to listen,
to experiment,
to grow in faith.

**PRAISE GOD
FOR THE CALL OF CHRIST.**

Now, with his people all across the world
and through the ages,
we take our place on the pilgrims' road.
Learning, listening, hoping, praying,
loving, creating,
pinning our names in worship
to the tail of a kite that is flying,
we offer our praise.

**PRAISE GOD
FOR OUR PLACE IN GOD'S STORY.**

Silence

God forgive us our deafness to the call;
God forgive us our cynicism;
God forgive us the shattering damage we do to the world.

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:

Give to your church and to all faithful people, O God,
a joy in taking the journey onto which Christ calls us.
IN YOUR SPIRIT,
MAY WE GROW IN LOVE AND WISDOM, IN JOY AND IN GRACE,
that more and more the world might know your loving-kindness
THROUGH THE FAITH AND WORK
OF THE BODY OF CHRIST.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, whose words we use, when 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 physically remote way, we exchange a sign of peace with one another.

A Word from the Artist: Pete Majendie

A series of Readings, Reflections and Interludes

The Disciples' Journey

Reading: Matthew 4: 18-22

Reflection
on the rimu chair
on a plinth
with hour glass



Reading: Matthew 16: 21-23

Musical Interlude: Metamorphosis

Reading: Matthew 14: 13-20

Reflection on wine bottle
holder and lunch box

Musical Interlude:
SooooomeWHEREEEE





Reading: Matthew
20: 20-28

**Reflection on
the door chair**

Musical Interlude:
Duality

Reading:
Matthew 20: 29-34

**Reflection on
kite flying**



Generally, sermons and reflections 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. A video of these reflections being practised is available from 10:00am today: <https://youtu.be/P2vFCuVgezU>

Hymn:

Kingsfold

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)



1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest,
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast,”
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
and he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,

stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s Light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my Star, my Sun;
and in that Light of life I’ll walk
till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

led by Len Pierce

The Offering and Dedication

We stand for the dedication of the Offering

May the work of our hands bless the world.

May the disposition of our hearts bless the world.

May the fruit of our minds bless the world.

**ALONG WITH THE FOOD AND MONEY WE BRING,
WE OFFER TO GOD
ALL THAT WE HAVE
AND ARE.**

May it find a blessing in this dedication.

AMEN.

Notices

The Litany for Mothers' Day:

All who are part of this service
are sons or daughters.

**WE PRAISE GOD FOR THE
WOMEN WHO GAVE US LIFE.**

For mothers brave, strong,
compassionate, full of wisdom
and grace,

**WE GIVE GOD THANKS AND
PRAISE.**

For mothers vulnerable, worried,
frustrated, and hurried,

WE PRAY FOR PEACE.

With those who are preparing
emptier nests,

**WE BOTH CELEBRATE AND
MOURN,
HOPING THEIR WINGS ARE
AS STRONG AS THEIR ROOTS
ARE DEEP.**

For mothers who have died, who
live no longer with us,
but whose light shines on in our hearts and memories,

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO MOURN,
AND GIVE GOD THANKS FOR LIFE ETERNAL.**

For the mothers, sisters, daughters in our midst and around the world,
for the women who, created in the image of God,
give not just life, but abundant life,

**WE GIVE GOD THANKS AND PRAISE.
AMEN.**



Adapted from Rev. Robb McCoy's Litany, <http://fatpastor.me>



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. 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

Postlude: Improvisation
Daniel Cooper (b. 1997)

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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NOTICES

This Week: **8 - 14 May 2022**
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: **15 - 21 May 2022**
Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship
Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Sunday lunch 15 May – Join us for lunch and a friendly chat after church at Urban Eatery (Oderings Garden Centre, Barrington). We meet at around 12pm. Don't forget to add your name to the attendance list at the church entrance or, send an email to jannekenyuysink@gmail.com. In order to confirm numbers, preferably no later than Wednesday the 11th, please.

KNOX CAFÉ

Sunday 22 May at 7pm, Knox Lounge

Speakers:

Maxine Pairama - "PILLARS"

Daphne Marsden - "The Esther Project"

Bring your own nibbles and liquid refreshments – tea & coffee will be provided.

All are welcome to come listen to and interact with these fascinating women.

ORGAN CONCERT

SATURDAY 2:00PM - MAY 21, 2022

OXFORD TERRACE BAPTIST CHURCH - 286 Oxford Terrace

Concert in aid of the Church's social housing building project.

<https://otbc.org.nz/facilities-housing/stagetwo/>

Tickets: \$25 (purchased at the door on the day)

Jeremy Woodside (Wells Cathedral and Westminster Abbey)

Featuring music of: Walton, Bach, Duruflé

and the NZ premiere of a new major work by David Bednall



PEACE STUDIES 2022 - PROVISIONAL DATES -

The post-service Peace Studies, postponed earlier this year, when it seemed unlikely that we would be able to find four consecutive Sundays not likely to be disturbed by Covid, are being rescheduled. While yet to be confirmed, if our community transmission figures trend down as expected, the new dates are likely to be 24 & 31 July and 7 & 14 August. The dates will be confirmed soon. On each seminar Sunday, we imagine gathering at 11:30am, working until soup and buns at 12:25pm, then recommencing at 12:45pm, finishing up at 1:30pm. Once all this is confirmed, we'll invite interested people to indicate willingness to provide buns and soup. Watch this space.

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: 379 2456 or Janet Wilson, Donations Secretary janmwil507@gmail.com Ph: 338 7203.

Thank you Pete Majendie

Knox is very grateful to Pete Majendie for creating the exhibition "Matthew's Gospel" and allowing Knox to host the works for a couple of Sundays. The works have enriched our worship tremendously.

You can find out more about what Pete is doing, by visiting the website:
<http://sidedoor.org.nz/>



The Bible readings for next week will be:

- Psalm 148
- Acts 11: 1-18

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and putting it in the offering bag.

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