

## KNOX CHURCH

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## **Order of Service**

7 July 2024



# NO, HE'S JUST THE CARPENTER

or so we reckon

A JAZZ-STYLE COMMUNION SERVICE

#### 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.

This is a communion service. The table at Knox is an open one. Members of any church, as well as any who are seeking God sincerely, are welcome to receive communion here.

We take care to use inclusive language in our services. References to God in traditional prayers and jazz 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, you are welcome to use the language that is most natural to you.

We are grateful to Barry Brinson, who has worked with Jeremy to arrange our hymns in a jazzy style. Barry will play some Gershwin pieces before the service and will improvise during communion. Thank you, Barry. We are also delighted to welcome Malcolm Leitch, who is singing a solo in the anthem, and Lana Law, on saxophone. Welcome Malcolm and Lana!

#### The Call to Worship:

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

JESUS, CELEBRATED IN THE WORLD FOR WISDOM AND DEPTH; JESUS, DISMISSED AT HOME AS A CARPENTER AND BROTHER; JESUS, CALLING US TO LOOK FOR GOD IN OUR MIDST.

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

MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.



- Holy, holy, holy, God the almighty!
   Early in the morning we praise your majesty:
   Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,
   God in three persons, blessed Trinity.
- 2. Holy, holy! Saints adore you truly, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim bow before you only, from the beginning, God eternally.
- 3. Holy, holy! though we know but dimly, though the eyes of human-kind your glory may not see; you alone are holy, you alone are worthy perfect in power, in love and purity.
- Holy, holy, holy, God the almighty!
   All your works shall praise your name, in earth and sky and sea, Holy, holy, holy! - merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

#### **Prayer of Approach**

Moses prayed that he would not see God, because he feared it might be his un-doing.

WERE HUMAN EYES DESIGNED TO SEE THE HOLY?

The prophet Isaiah thought that he might have seen God, hid in the temple,

AND CRIED "WOE IS ME!"

And yet, when Jesus appeared among the people he knew; and God was revealed, nobody noticed.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

THOUGH WE KNOW BUT DIMLY,

THOUGH THE EYES OF HUMAN-KIND

YOUR GLORY MAY NOT SEE . . .

We know, so well, God of wholeness and light, that our perception of your nature and of your presence among us IS A CHALLENGE TO HOW WE VIEW THE WORLD.

So in this act of worship, we ask that you will bless us with open eyes, SEEING BODY FOR THE BREAD, BLOOD FOR THE WINE, AND CHRIST AT THE TABLE.

And since you often appear to us in the familiar, WE WORSHIP AND ADORE YOU, OFFERING OUR SILENT PRAISE.

Silence

Just as the people of Nazareth could not see heaven in one of their own, and just as the Pharisees could not comprehend the coming of the reign of God in someone so close to home,

SO WE ARE BLIND NOT JUST TO MANY BLESSINGS, BUT ALSO TO THE LOVE THAT YOU EXPRESS FOR US, O GOD, IN THE PEOPLE PLACED AROUND US.

Thinking of our failure to see, our disinclination to be aware, our rejection of how God steps forward into our lives, we say

... Lord have mercy.

CHRIST HAVE MERCY.

Lord have mercy.

#### **Assurance and Response**

You are forgiven and you are free.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

#### **The Theme Prayer**:

Either by your guiding Spirit, O God, or by a desire to go back to what is familiar, Jesus journeyed home to Nazareth. Given the lack of welcome that would cause him to observe that prophets are often not embraced at home,

WE PRAY THAT WE MIGHT BE ALIVE TO YOUR PRESENCE AMONG US, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO US IN THE ORDINARY.

For we pray this in the name of the One from Nazareth, **EVEN JESUS CHRIST, THE LORD, AMEN**.

#### The Notices

**The Gospel Lesson:** Mark 6: 1-13

This is the gospel of Christ.

PRAISE TO CHRIST, THE WORD.

**Knox Singers:** Nobody knows the trouble I've seen

African American Spiritual, arr. Bob Chilcott (b.1955)

**Sermon**: School, stand!

Generally, sermons are posted on our website shortly after the service at: <a href="http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/sermons.html">http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/sermons.html</a> Hard copies of the sermons are available before and after the service – ask the person at the door. A video of this sermon being practised is available from 10:00am today: <a href="https://youtu.be/tt">https://youtu.be/tt</a> TKKma43k

#### **Prayers for Others and Ourselves**

To the minister's words " Jesus of simplicity, integrity, and love", you are invited to respond

"OPEN OUR EYES TO THE GOD WHO LIVES AMONG 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 Offering and Dedication**

We stand for the dedication of the Offering.

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.
Through your goodness, we bring what we have gathered, using the talents that you have given us.
It will further the work of your kingdom.
BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.

Blessed are you, O God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us our spiritual drink.
BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER,
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, 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.

#### **Communion Hymn:**

Lord of the Dance Original Shaker Melody, Joseph Bracket - 1848



- 1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun; and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth, at Bethlehem I had my birth:

  Dance then, wherever you may be;
  I am the Lord of the Dance, said he and I'll lead you all wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.
- 2. I danced for the scribe and the pharisee, but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me. I danced for the fishermen, for James and John they came with me and the dance went on:

  Dance then . . .
- 3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame: the holy people said it was a shame.

  They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and they left me there on a cross to die:

  Dance then . . .
- 4. Knox Singers only

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried my body and they thought I'd gone; but I am the dance and I still go on:

Dance then . . .

5. They cut me down and I leap up high, I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me: I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. Refrain

Sydney Carter (1915-2004)

We sit for

#### The Invitation, Institution, and the Setting Apart of the Elements

#### The Great Eucharistic Prayer:

May God be with you.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Lift up your hearts.

WE LIFT THEM TO GOD.

Let us give thanks to the world's creator.

IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

It is right indeed, eternal God . . .

#### The Breaking of the Bread

#### Lamb of God:

Jesus, Bread of Heaven,

HAVE MERCY ON US.

Jesus, recreating your people where they stand,

HAVE MERCY ON US.

Jesus, foretaste of the new creation,

**GRANT US YOUR PEACE.** 

#### **The Communion**

For the distribution, please come forward to the table, receive some bread, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat. If you prefer gluten free bread, some is available on the plinth in front of the bread servers. Non-alcoholic grape juice can be taken from the trays held by the glass servers.

#### **The Prayer After Communion**

Eternal God, we give you thanks and praise that while we were still far off you met us in your Son, and brought us home.

MAY WE WHO SHARE HIS BREAD
LIVE HIS RISEN LIFE;
WE WHO DRINK HIS CUP
BRING LIFE TO OTHERS;
WE WHOM THE SPIRIT LIGHTS
GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD,
THAT ALL YOUR CHILDREN SHALL BE FREE,
AND THE WHOLE EARTH LIVE TO PRAISE YOUR NAME.
AMEN.



- Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name,
   Mercy he has shown us, his love is forever,
   faithful to the end of days.
   Come then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
   melodies of praise and thanks to God.
   Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
   worship and bless his name.
- 2. Power he has wielded, honour is his garment, risen from the snares of death, His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken, new life he now gives to all.

  Come then, all you nations . . .
- 3. Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow, Spirit of our God most high, Solace for the wary, pardon for the sinner, splendour of the living God. Come then all you nations . . .
  - 4. Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet, praise God with the lute and harp, Praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing, Praise God till the end of days.

    Come then, all you nations . . . bless his name (x 5)

    Ernest Sands (b. 1949)

#### Benediction and Sung Amen

<u>Postlude</u>: Pigeon for alto saxophone and organ Jeremy Woodside (b. 1989)

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

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### **NOTICES**

This Week: 7 July – 13 July

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship

11:20am Public Questions Group with Duncan Webb

4.00pm Film Group in Lounge

Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

Next Week: 14 July – 20 July

Sunday 10.00am Morning Worship

11.30am Shalom in Committee Room 11.30am Shared lunch in Lounge

Wednesday 10.00am Bible Study

**Today: Film Group 4pm in the lounge: The Miracle Club** - This delightful and inspirational film is set in 1950s Ireland. A group of hardworking Dublin women win a pilgrimage to Lourdes. They are joined by their local priest and also by a woman who has just returned home after living in the USA for 20 years. The brilliant team of actors includes Maggie Smith and Laura Linney. Due to family commitments there will be no film in August.

**Shared Lunch** – In lounge on Sunday 14 July at 11.30am. Bring along a small plate of food to share. If you forget, don't worry, as there's always plenty to go around.

**Sunday lunch 21July** – Join us for lunch and a friendly chat at the **Black and White Café, 45 Merrin St, Avonhead**. Meet at around 12pm. Please add your name to the attendance list at the church entrance if you are planning to join us, or, send an email to <a href="mailto:jannekenuysink@gmail.com">jannekenuysink@gmail.com</a>, preferably no later than Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Lyndy McIntyre's book "Power to Win"** will be launched at Scorpio Books, 120 Hereford Street on Monday 8 July at 5.30 for a 6.00pm start. Lyndy was the most dynamic and inspiring coordinator for the Living Wage in the Wellington area.

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He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown and among their own kin and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

## Te Tiriti matters



In a recent meeting with Jolyon White, the Director of Anglican Agency, Matthew's attention was drawn to two videos produced by "Common Grace", called "Belonging in this Land".

The first video explores how "The Treaty" and "Te Tiriti" sit together. The video explores He Whakaputanga, the Declaration of Independence (1835), how missionary involvement prior to 1840 was connected to emancipation movements in England, where our constitution came from, and why the Christian Church in Aotearoa New Zealand might feel some responsibility for driving current conversations around treaty principles.

The second video explores how crown treaty breeches occurred with respect to land and language. It looks at how various forms of Māori resistance formed, and asks some creative questions like "what would Aotearoa New Zealand look like had te tiriti been honoured?"

Matthew plans to watch the first video (one hour and nine minutes -with discussion time included) in the chapel at 7:00pm on Tuesday 16 July, and would value company.

He'll watch the second video (one hour and thirty three minutes), again in the chapel, at 7:00pm on Tuesday 23 July.

### **Rethinking our history**



Keith Newman is a passionate advocate for the Bible and the Treaty of Waitangi, the two founding documents that he believes should continue to be viewed in tandem for the outworking of a brighter, more just and balanced future for Aotearoa-New Zealand.

He says, the early missionaries had a pivotal role convincing biblically aware Maori to sign the Treaty of Waitangi as a spiritual kawenata (covenant) and that; alongside the more holistic Maori worldview (Te Ao Maori), needs to be honoured in Treaty-based decision making today.

**Keith Newman,** writer, poet and historian believes we need a more balanced sense of New Zealand's early history by setting aside party political, tribal or denominational agendas.

He regularly speaks to church leaders and interest groups about the bicultural journey and the importance of reclaiming and feeling part of our own nation-shaping story.

Keith will be speaking at North City Church, 95a Sawyers Arms Road, on the evening of Thursday 8 August, time to be confirmed.



They took offense at him



Tickets: \$25.00

The programme is likely to include:

C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)

Beati quorum via, Coelos ascendit hodie, O for a closer walk with God

H.H.R. Parry (1848-1918)

Songs of Farewell, I was glad, Blest Pair of Sirens

**William Walton (1902-1983)** 

Set me as a seal, A Litany

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

Festival Te Deum

William Henry Harris (1883-1973)

Bring us, O Lord

**Edgar Bainton (1880-1956)** 

And I saw a new heaven



### You are Invited by West Papua Action Canterbury to a:

## FILM EVENING

# FEATURING THE STRUGGLE FOR SELF DETERMINATION OF THE WEST PAPUANS

Friday 12 July, 5.30 pm for 6 pm

Aldersgate Centre
Cnr Chester St West & Durham Street

(Free parking available at Aldersgate Centre, access from Chester St West)

5.30 pm Soup & buns
6.00 pm Two films & discussion on land rights and womens rights in West
Papua
Koha please to support:

'Papuan Doctors Without Borders'

These are medical practitioners providing free help to Papuans in need



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

Psalm 85: 8-13Mark 6: 14-29

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