



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – Sunday 16 April 2017

Easter Day

Pre service music *“O Filii et Filiae”* (O Sons and Daughters)

Flor Peeters (1903-86)

“Erschienen ist der herrlich Tag” (Christ is Risen)

JS Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome - Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed!**

Introit *“Let the Song be begun”*

Personent hodie 1582, arr. Don Malin

Call to worship and Greeting

Kia noho a Ihowa kia koutou. May God be with you.

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen Indeed!

Alleluia!

On this day we celebrate resurrection.

The power of life has overcome the power of death.

Alleluia!

The light of love has shattered the darkness of fear.

Alleluia!

The way of peace has prevailed against the violence of empire.

Alleluia!

We worship the God whose resurrection power

lives on in the Christ we serve.

Hymn *“Christ the Lord is risen today”*

(Easter Hymn, CH4 410) CH4 411- Charles Wesley

1 'Christ the Lord is risen today', Alleluia!
all on earth and angels say; Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
sing, ye heavens, and earth reply. Alleluia!

2 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;

Alleluia!

Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!

death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!

Christ has opened Paradise. Alleluia!

3 Soar we now where Christ has led,
Alleluia!

following our exalted Head; Alleluia!

made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia!

ours the cross, the grave, the skies: Alleluia!

Prayer of Praise and Confession, Assurance of Forgiveness

E te whanau ... all are God's beloved people. **Thanks be to God.**

Passing the Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou;
God's Spirit be in you. **And also in you.**

Anthem *"Easter Anthem"*

William Billings (1746-1800)

Conversation with young members

Hymn *"Christ has risen while earth slumbers"*

(8787D) CH4 430 -

Graham Maule & John Bell

1 Christ has risen while earth slumbers,
Christ has risen where hope died,
as he said and as he promised,
as we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing;
let the sun sustain the cheer;
let the world confirm the rumour.
Christ is risen, God is here!

3 Christ has risen and for ever
lives to challenge, and to change
all whose lives are messed or mangled,
all who find religion strange.
Christ is risen. Christ is present,
making us what he has been –
evidence of transformation
in which God is known and seen.

2 Christ has risen for the people
whom he loved and died to save;
Christ has risen for the women
bringing flowers to grace his grave.
Christ has risen for disciples
huddled in an upstairs room.
He whose word inspired creation
is not silenced by the tomb.

Reading Acts 10:34-43

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church **Thanks be to God**

Gospel John 20:1-18

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise to Christ the Word**

Sermon 'A defiant hope'

Hymn *“Christ is alive!”*

(Truro/Dunedin) CH4 416 - Brian Wren

1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

2 Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.

3 Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

4 Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Sacrament of Baptism

We baptise Frances McLeod Clark. We welcome family and friends present for the baptism.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

AMEN

service continues ...

Aaronic Blessing (sung)

**The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you:
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.**

Commitment of Congregation

You who are gathered here represent the whole Church, the Church catholic. Word and Sacrament bring you the joy of Christ's presence in your midst. They also bring you responsibilities as Christ's people in this place. Do you welcome Frances; and do you renew your commitment, with God's help, to live before all God's children in a kindly and Christian way, and to share with them the knowledge and love of Christ?

**We do. We will nurture one another in faith, uphold one another in prayer,
encourage one another in service.**

Reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant for Rachel Dudley-Tombs

Rachel will publicly profess her faith and the congregation will respond...

Rachel with joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

**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.**

**E to mātou Matua i te rangi.
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa:
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga:
Kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga ki te
whenua
kia rite ano ki tō te rangi.
Homai ki a mātou āiane he taro mā mātou
mō tēnei ra.
Murua o mātou hara, me mātou hoki e
muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino.
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha me te
kororia
ake ake ake
Amine**

Notices

Offering and Dedication *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"*

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

*We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table,
and those which wing their way electronically from our banks to the Church's account.*

Hymn *"I danced in the morning"*

(Lord of the Dance) CH4 404 - Sydney Bertram Carter

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 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 on high,
and they left me there
on a Cross to die. [*Refrain*]

3 I danced on a Friday
and 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. [*Refrain*]

4 They cut me down
and I leapt 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.

Blessing, then Postlude

"Toccata" from organ Symphony No 5

Charles Marie Widor (1844-1937)

You are invited to morning tea after worship, in the Gathering Area.

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