



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – Sunday 23 April 2017

Easter Two

Pre service music *“Christ est Erstanden”* (Christ is risen)
“The Planets”

Heinrich Bach (1615-92)

Gustav Holst

Welcome

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.

Ko te ra tenei i hanga e Ihowa. This is the day that the Lord has made.

Kia hari, kia koa tatou. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship God.

Hymn “The Day of Resurrection”

(Ellacombe) CH4 413

1 The day of resurrection!
earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over
With hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own 'All Hail!' and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful
let earth its song begin,
the round world keep high triumph
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen,
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen,
our joy that has no end.

Prayer of Praise and Confession

CH4 755

Be still and know that I am God

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...you will not abandon our souls to death.

Be still and know that I am God...

...you will not abandon our souls to death.

I am the Lord who saves and heals...

...you will not abandon our souls to death.

In you, Lord God, I put my trust...

Assurance of Forgiveness (with young members)

We are held by grace

Humble hearts cast open

Our souls at rest in the fullness of God

We are held, we are held by grace.

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

Passing the Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou;

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn "*Thine be the glory*"

(Maccabaeus) CH4 419

1 Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast
won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone
away,
kept the folded grave-clothes, where thy
body lay.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast
won.*

2 Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness hymns of
triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its
sting.

3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of
Life;
life is naught without thee: aid us in our
strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy
deathless love:
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home
above.

Prayer for illumination

***By your Holy Spirit
stand among us Risen Christ.
Proclaim your word of peace
that we may hear it anew
and by faith learn to speak it too.
Amen.***

Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-32

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

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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

Sermon 'A sustainable future?'

Hymn "How often we like Thomas"

(Passion Chorale) CH4 432

1 How often we, like Thomas,
need proof before we trust.
Lord Jesus, friend of doubters,
come, speak your truth to us.
We long to feel your presence,
and gain new faith from you,
to find, without our seeing,
the blessing Thomas knew.

2 You always stand among us,
no doors can lock you out.
Your presence reassures us
though we still live with doubt.
As present-day disciples,
whose lives by sin are flawed,
we want to come believing,
and cry: "My Lord, my God

Prayer for others, then ...

**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 äiane 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 "*Festival Prelude on Victory*"

C S Lang (1891-1971)

*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 "Crown him with many crowns"

(Diademata DSM) CH4 459

1. Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne,
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

3. Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

2. Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
His glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.

Blessing, then Postlude "*Toccata in 7*"

John Rutter (b. 1945)

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