



# KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

*growing in courage to live the Jesus way*

10am – 21 February 2016

Third Sunday in Lent

Pre service music

Piper Andrew McIlvanney

Welcome

Introit *“Morning glory, starlit sky, soaring music, scholars truth”*

Barry Rose (b. 1934)

Call to Worship

(inspired by Psalm 27)

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

**Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.**

God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

**God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble,  
and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!**

Day after day, we seek God’s face and the assurance of God’s holy love:

**O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us.**

**Be our guide and our light.**

One thing we ask of God:

**That we may live in God’s dwelling place all the days of our life,  
and never cease to behold the beauty of God’s home.**

Let us worship God

Hymn *“Great is thy faithfulness”*

(Faithfulness) CH4 153 - Thomas Chisholm

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail  
not,  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

2 Summer and winter, and seed-time and  
harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.  
*[Refrain]*

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy  
faithfulness!*

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided –  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to  
guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for  
tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.  
*[Refrain]*

## Prayer of Praise and Confession, Assurance of Forgiveness

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

Passing the Peace, then Anthem *"I'm gonna sing when the spirit says sing"* Spiritual, arr. anon

## Conversation with young members

### Hymn *"All things bright and beautiful"*

CH4 137 – Cecil Frances Alexander

*All things bright and beautiful,  
all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful,  
the Lord God made them all.*

2 The purple-headed mountain,  
the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning  
that brightens up the sky: *[Refrain]*

1 Each little flower that opens,  
each little bird that sings,  
he made their glowing colours,  
he made their tiny wings: *[Refrain]*

3 He gave us eyes to see them,  
and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty,  
who has made all things well. *[Refrain]*

Reading Psalm 27:1-8. 14

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

Gospel Luke 13:31-35

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

Sermon "As a mother hen"

Interview with Annaliese Johnston

Social Policy & Parliamentary Unit, Salvation Army

Interview with Heather Moore Knox Student and Young Adult Worker

## Hymn “*Love divine, all loves excelling*”

(Hyfrydol) CH4 519– Charles Wesley

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

3 Finish then thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee,  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

## 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.**

## Offering and Dedication *“My song shall be of mercy and Justice”*

Richard Madden (b. 1953)

*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.*

## Notices

### Hymn “*He came singing love*”

(Singing Love) AA 59 - Colin Gibson

1 He came singing love  
and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.  
He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

2 He came singing faith  
and he lived singing faith;  
he died singing faith.  
He arose in silence.  
For the faith to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

3 He came singing hope  
and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope.  
He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

4 He came singing peace  
and he lived singing peace;  
he died singing peace.  
He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

## Benediction and Threefold Amen, then Postlude

Piper Andrew McIlvanney

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