



WELCOME TO KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

Pentecost 14
10am –30 August 2015



Pre service “Young Prince & Princess” Rimsky Korsakov; “Fugue in C” Johan Pachelbel (1653 – 1706)
played by Grace Togneri. “Study” played by Ariana Knudson-Hollebon.

Welcome led by Youth Group members

Introit “Laudate Dominum” (Praise the Lord)/ W A Mozart (1756-91) Sarah Hubbard-soloist.

Greeting

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Call to Worship

God's first and last word to us is, "Yes!"

In all our humanness, just as we are.

God loves us and longs for us to accept that love:

No matter how we feel about ourselves.

The more we know God's love and believe God's "Yes",

We develop life-giving relationships.

Spirit of God, open us to your love,

And enable us to respond with a wholehearted "Yes!" Amen.

Prayer of Approach read by Youth Group members

Hymn "Fairest Lord Jesus" TiS 203 CH 463 Anon., Münster 1677 tr. Joseph Augustus Seiss 1823-1904 and others

1. Fairest Lord Jesus,
Lord of all creation,
Son of God, and Mary's son:
you will I cherish,
you will I honour,
you are my soul's delight and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands
robed in the greenness and bloom of
spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
he makes the saddest heart to sing.

3. Fair is the moonlight,
fairer still the sunshine,
fair is the shimmering starry sky:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines clearer
than all the heavenly host on high.

4. Jesus, all beauty,
heavenly and earthly,
in you is wondrously found to be;
none can be nearer,
fairer or dearer
than you, my Saviour, are to me.

Prayer of Praise and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

E te whanau ... we are God's beloved people.

Thanks be to God.

Passing the Peace

Anthem “Set me as a seal upon your heart, upon your arm” text from Song of Solomon, Music K Knudson
2014.

With young members

Hymn “As a fire is meant for burning” CH4 252

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1. As a fire is meant for burning
with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission,
giving glory to God’s name.
Preaching Christ, and not our customs,
let us build a bridge of care,
joining hands across the nations,
finding neighbours everywhere.

2. We are learners; we are teachers;
we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers;
we are vessels made of clay.

By our gentle, loving actions,
we will show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit,
we will live to God’s delight.

As a green bud in the springtime
is a sign of life renewed,
so may we be signs of oneness
’mid earth’s peoples, many-hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens
when a storm is past and gone,
so may we reflect the radiance
of God’s new and glorious dawn.

Reading Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Gospel Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

This is the Good News of Jesus Christ

Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon “Cleaner hearts and dirtier hands”

Hymn "Be thou my vision" (Slane) CH4 465

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou
art;
thou my best thought, in the day or the
night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my Wisdom, be thou my true
Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, thine own I would
be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

3. Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty
praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

4. High King of Heaven, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright
heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for Others concluding with...

Our Father in heaven

**Hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth, as it is 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 forever:

AMEN

Notices

Presentation about our Myanmar Partnership - retiring offering

Offering and Dedication "I heard a voice saying unto me" (blessed are the dead, for they rest from their labours) John Goss (1800-1880). (For Nancye Carrick).

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.

Giving thanks for the life of Nancye Carrick.

Hymn “O Love that wilt not let me go” (St Margaret) CH4 557

words George Matheson (1842-1906)

music Albert Lister Peace (1844-1912)

1.O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
that in thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

2.O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
my heart restores its borrowed ray,
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day
may brighter, fairer be.

3.O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee:
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.

4.O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.

Benediction and Threefold Amen

Postlude played by Nicholas Haslam.

You are invited to morning tea in the Gathering Area.

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