



WELCOME TO KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

Pentecost 15

10am –6 September 2015



Pre service Prelude"from Three Pieces for Withycombe/ Philip Moore Played by Grace Togneri.
Chorale variations 'Vater unser im Himmelreich' (Our Father in Heaven: Lord's Prayer) BuxWV 207 - Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707) played by Peter Stockwell. "Largo" from "New World Symphony" /Antonin Dvorak.

Welcome

Introit "Morning Glory , Starlit sky" Barry Rose. Soloists Kate Tofia, Jesse Hanan.

Greeting

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Call to Worship

After the dormancy of winter,

new growth springs to life.

Cold earth warms,

Grass greens again.

Buds emerge,

Spring flowers push into light.

Creation throws off its wintry coating.

Creation awakens to fresh possibilities.

God is Creator, revealed in seasonal rhythm.

God is Spirit, bringing our life to light.

Come let us worship, entering into the Spirit's life.

Hymn "Fill your hearts" Psalm 147 (Rhuddlan) CH 103 Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-) ©
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1.Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
God who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine.

2.Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
wounded souls his comfort know;
those who fear him find his mercies,
peace for pain and joy for woe;
humble hearts are high exalted,
human pride and power laid low.

3.Praise the Lord for times and seasons,
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;
spring to melt the snows of winter
till the waters flow again;
grass upon the mountain pastures,
golden valleys thick with grain.

4.Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days;
love his laws, declare his judgments,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children--
praise the Lord, all people, praise!

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 “Earth Song” Words & Music Frank Tichelli.

With young members

Hymn “The spring has come” CH4 224 Words Shirley Erena Murray (b. 1931) © 1992 Hope Publishing Company . Music [Colin Gibson](#)

1 The spring has come
let all the Church be part of it!
The world has changed,
and God is at the heart of it!
New light, new day,
new colour after winter grey.
New light, new day,
the spring has come,
let all the Church be part of it!

3 The spring has come,
new people are the flowers of it.
Through wind and rain,
new life is in the showers of it.
New bud, new shoot,
new hope will bear the Spirit's fruit.
New bud, new shoot,
the spring has come,
new people are the flowers of it.

2 The sun is warm,
let all God's children play in it!
The world expands,
let's spread the Gospel way in it!
New leaf, new thrust,
new greening for the love of Christ.
New leaf, new thrust,
the sun is warm,
let all God's children play in it!

Reading James 2:1-10, 14-17

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Gospel Mark 7:24-30

This is the Good News of Jesus Christ

Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon

“Wrenching the heart”

Hymn “In the bulb there is a flower”

CH4 727 Words and music Natalie Allyn

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1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!

In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.

From the past will come the future,
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.

In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

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

Offering and Dedication

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 “All my hope on God is founded”^{CH4 192} Words Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

1 All my hope on God is founded;
all my trust he will renew;
safe through change and chance he guides
me,
only good and only true:
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

2 Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray God's trust;
though with care and toil we build them,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

3 God's great goodness lasts for ever,
deep his wisdom, passing thought;
splendour, light and life attend him,
beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.

4 Day by day the mighty Giver
showers gifts on us below;
his desire our souls delight in,
pleasure leads us where we go.
See love stand
at his hand,
joy awaits at his command!

5 Still from earth to God in heaven
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Hear Christ call
one and all:
those who follow shall not fall.

Benediction and Threefold Amen

Postlude Toccata sexta oder Sechstes Musickalishes Blumen-Feld (Toccata 6 or the 6th Musical Flower Field)
from 'Ars Magna Consoni et Dissoni' - Johann Speth (1664-1719).

You are invited to morning tea in the Gathering Area.

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A copy of this week's sermon will be on the website, and printed copies available in the church, early next week.

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