



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – 28 August 2016

15th Sunday of Pentecost

Pre service music *"Folk Tune" from '5 Piano Pieces' Op. 3*

Gagliarda per Organo
Andante in G major

Carl Nielsen (1865-1931), arr. Colin Hand

Giovanni Maria Trabaci (1575-1647)

Adolf Hesse (1809-63)

Welcome

This Sunday commends the work of Presbyterian Support Otago to God and to the Congregation. It is led by the Reverend Dennis Povey and Gillian Bremner CEO of Presbyterian Support.

Why we've come and wherever we come from, this is God's place and all are welcome.

Introit *"Father of mercies, O God our shield"*

G F Handel (1685-1759)

Call to worship

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

In childhood, adulthood, age and death,

You call us into life that is full and forever

In every place, at every time

You call us to be more

You call us to worship in the name and way of Jesus Christ

You unite us with unseen ties of Holy Spirit

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Let us worship God.

Hymn *"Joyful, joyful, we adore you"*

(Ode to joy) TIS 152 - Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore you,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before you,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of unending gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

2 All your works with joy surround you,
earth and heaven reflect your rays,
stars and angels sing around you,
centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoicing free.

3 You are giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
You our father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love combine,
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

4 Mortals, join the happy chorus,
in the morning stars begun;
God's great love is reigning o'er us,
kindling love in everyone.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife,
joyful music leads us Sunward
in the triumph song of life.

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 *"O Lord most holy"*

Cesar Franck (1822-90)

Conversation with young members

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Hymn *"Let justice roll down like a river"*

(AA 85) - Colin Gibson (b. 1948)

*Let justice roll down like a river,
let justice roll down like a sea,
let justice roll down like a river,
let justice begin through me.*

2 Justice for those who are homeless,
victims of warfare or need,
trapped on the borders of nowhere,
lost in the canyons of greed. [*Refrain*]

1 Justice for all who are hungry,
crying to God to be fed,
left in a world of abundance
to beg for a morsel of bread. [*Refrain*]

3 Justice for all who are powerless,
yearning for freedom in vain,
plundered, and robbed of their birthright,
silently bearing their pain. [*Refrain*]

Reading Exodus 1:6-10; 15-22; 2:1-4

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

Gospel Matthew 19:13-15

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

Sermon "It started with the Children"

Hymn “Jesus Christ is waiting”

(Noel Nouvelet) TiS 665 - John Bell (b. 1949)

1 Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets;
no one is his neighbour, all alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too.
Make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.

2 Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets;
Curing those who suffer, touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I have passion too.
Let my care be active, healing just like you.

3 Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets,
where each sign of hatred He, with love, defeats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, we should triumph too.
On suspicion’s graveyard let us dance with you.

4 Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,
‘Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.’
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few.
Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

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 *“Prelude in F major”*

Adolf Hesse (1809-63)

*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 “Your love, O God”

(Ombersley) TiS 567 - Russell Schulz-Widmar (b. 1944)

1 Your love, O God, has called us here,
for all love finds its source in you,
the perfect love that casts out fear,
the love that Christ makes ever new.

2 O gracious God, you consecrate
all that is lovely, good, and true.
Bless us who in your presence wait,
our trust in your desires renew.

3 Your love will send us from this place;
reveal your will in all we do,
that every path of love we trace
may show the world its source in you.

Benediction and Threefold Amen, then Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in A major BuxWV 151

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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