



# KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

*growing in courage to live the Jesus way*

10am – 6 November 2016

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – All Saints

Pre service music *"Prelude in C minor"*  
*"Lento"*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)  
Frank Bridge (1924)

Welcome

Introit *"Libera me"* (Deliver me) Gabriel Faure (1845-1924)

Tanara Stedman soloist

*Libera Me* – Catholic responsory is also said on All Souls' Day (2 November)  
*"Surely, Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows"* from *'the Messiah'*

G F Handel (1685-1759)

Call to worship

(from Psalm 145)

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

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

I will praise you, O God my sovereign;

**I will bless your name forever.**

You are righteous in all your ways

**And loving in all your deeds.**

You are near to all who call on you.

**You protect all who love you.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of God;

**Let everyone bless God's holy name forever.**

Let us worship God.

Hymn *"Bring many names"*

(Westchase) CH4 134 - Brian Wren

1 Bring many names, beautiful and good,  
celebrate, in parable and story,  
holiness in glory,  
living, loving God:  
Hail and Hosanna!  
Bring many names!

3 Warm father God, hugging every child,  
feeling all the strains of human living,  
caring and forgiving  
till we're reconciled:  
Hail and Hosanna,  
warm father God!

2 Strong mother God, working night and day,  
planning all the wonders of creation,  
setting each equation,  
genius at play:  
Hail and Hosanna,  
strong mother God!

4 Young, growing God, eager, on the move,  
saying no to falsehood and unkindness,  
crying out for justice,  
giving all you have:  
Hail and Hosanna,  
young, growing God!

5 Great, living God, never fully known,  
joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,  
closer yet than breathing,  
everlasting home:  
Hail and Hosanna,  
great, living God!

## 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 *"And I saw a new heaven"*

text from Revelation,  
music Karen Knudson (2016)

## Conversation with young members

### Hymn *"Psalm 145"*

1 O Lord, thou art my God and King;  
thee will I magnify and praise:  
I will thee bless, and gladly sing  
unto thy holy name always.

2 Each day I rise I will thee bless,  
and praise thy name time without end.  
Much to be praised, and great God is;  
his greatness none can comprehend.

(Duke Street) CH4 100 - *The Scottish Psalter*, 1929 (*alt.*)

3 Race shall thy works praise unto race,  
the mighty acts show done by thee.  
I will speak of the glorious grace,  
and honour of thy majesty.

4 Thy wondrous works I will record.  
By many shall the might be told  
of all thy awesome acts, O Lord:  
and I thy greatness will unfold.

## Reading Haggai 1:15b-2:9

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

## Gospel Luke 20:27-38

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

## Sermon 'Children of the resurrection'

**Candle lighting** - if you would like to remember with thanksgiving a person who has died, please come forward and light a candle to celebrate the light of Christ they reflected in you.

## Hymn “Christ has risen while earth slumbers”

(8787D) CH4 430 -

Graham Maule & John Bell

1 Christ has risen while earth slumbers,  
Christ has risen where hope died,  
as he said and as he promised,  
as we doubted and denied.  
Let the moon embrace the blessing;  
let the sun sustain the cheer;  
let the world confirm the rumour.  
Christ is risen, God is here!

3 Christ has risen and for ever  
lives to challenge, and to change  
all whose lives are messed or mangled,  
all who find religion strange.  
Christ is risen. Christ is present,  
making us what he has been –  
evidence of transformation  
in which God is known and seen.

2 Christ has risen for the people  
whom he loved and died to save;  
Christ has risen for the women  
bringing flowers to grace his grave.  
Christ has risen for disciples  
huddled in an upstairs room.  
He whose word inspired creation  
is not silenced by the tomb.

## 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 *“Nobody knows the trouble I’ve seen”*

Spiritual, arr. Rowland Pack

*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 “For the life that you have given”

(8787D) - Carl P. Daw Jr

For the life that you have given,  
for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and labour,  
with these gifts that are your own:  
here we offer, Lord, our praises;  
heart and mind and strength we bring.  
Give us grace to love and serve you,  
living what we pray and sing.

# Notices

## Hymn *“Glory to you, O God”*

CH4 741 - Howard Gaunt

1 Glory to you, O God,  
for all your saints in light,  
who nobly waged and won  
the fierce and well-fought fight.  
Their praises sing,  
who life outpoured  
by fire and sword  
for Christ their King.

3 Lord God of truth and love,  
"Your kingdom come", we pray;  
give us your grace to know  
your truth and walk your way;  
Your will be done  
here on this earth,  
till saints in earth  
and heaven are one.

2 Thanks be to you, O Lord,  
for saints your Spirit stirred  
in humble paths to live  
your life and speak your word.  
Unnumbered they  
whose shining light  
informs our sight  
from day to day.

## Benediction and Threefold Amen, then Postlude

*“Fanfare”*

William Mathias (1934-1992)

## **You are invited to morning tea after worship, in the Gathering Area.**

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