



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – Sunday 28 January 2018

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Pre service music “Praeludium” Josef Seger (1716-82), “The puls of life” Mons Leidvin Takle (b. 1942)

Welcome

Call to Worship

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Whakamoemititia a Ihowa. Praise the Lord. I will thank God with all my heart in the company of God's people.

Great are the works of God. They are studied by all who delight in them.

Full of majesty and splendour is the work of God, whose righteousness endures forever.

Gracious and full of compassion is God, whose marvellous works are to be remembered.

The hands of God work faithfulness and justice and the commandments of God are sure.

They stand fast forever, because they are done in truth and equity.

Let us worship God

Hymn “Praise to the Lord”

(Lobe den Herren) CH4 124 - Joachim Neander, trans. Catherine Winkworth

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King
of creation;
praise God, my soul, for in him are your
health and salvation;
come all who hear,
into his presence draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who in all things is
wondrously reigning,
shields you from harm and is gently yet
firmly sustaining.
Have you not seen
how your heart's wishes have been
granted by God's wise ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who with blessing and
power will defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily
attend you;
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do:
God will for ever befriend you.

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me
adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with
praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from God's people again:
gladly for ever adore him.

Prayer, Assurance of Forgiveness and Passing the Peace

E te whanau, in Christ we are forgiven. All are God's beloved people.

Thanks be to God.

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou;

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Conversation with young members

Hymn "*Come, children join to sing*"

(Madrid) CH4 185 - Christian Henry Bateman

1 Come, children, join and sing
alleluia! amen!
loud praise to Christ our king,
alleluia! amen!
let all, with heart and voice,
before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice:
alleluia! amen!

3 Sing praises loud and long;
alleluia! amen!
life shall not end the song;
alleluia! amen!
on heaven's blissful shore
God's goodness we'll adore,
singing for evermore,
alleluia! amen!

2 Come, lift your hearts on high,
alleluia! amen!
let praises fill the sky;
alleluia! amen!
God is our guide and friend,
on God we can depend;
God's love shall never end:
alleluia! amen!

Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

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

Gospel Mark 1:21-28

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

Sermon 'Even unclean spirits obey'

Hymn “*The frenzied spirit*”

GtG 180 - Thomas Troeger

1 "Silence! Frenzied, unclean spirit,"
cried God's healing, holy One.
"Cease your ranting! Flesh can't bear it.
Flee as night before the sun."
At Christ's voice the demon trembled,
from its victim madly rushed,
while the crowd that was assembled
stood in wonder, stunned and hushed.

2 Lord, the demons still are thriving
in the grey cells of the mind:
tyrant voices, shrill and driving,
twisted thoughts that grip and bind,
doubts that stir the heart to panic,
fears distorting reason's sight,
guilt that makes our loving frantic,
dreams that cloud the soul with fright.

3 Silence, Lord, the unclean spirit,
in our mind and in our heart.
Speak your word that, when we hear it,
all our demons shall depart.
Clear our thought and calm our feeling;
still the fractured, warring soul.
By the power of your healing
make us faithful, true, and whole.

Prayer for others, then ...

Anglican prayer book

**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.**

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Āua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria, Āke āke āke. Āmine.**

Notices

Offering and Dedication “*Lento*”

Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

*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 “O Christ, the healer”

(Angelus) CH4 717 - Frederick Pratt Green

1 O Christ, the healer, we have come
to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored,
when reached by love that never ends?

4 In conflicts that destroy our health
we diagnose the world's disease;
our common life declares our ills:
is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

2 From every ailment flesh endures
our bodies clamour to be freed;
yet in our hearts we would confess
that wholeness is our deepest need.

5 Grant that we all, made one in faith,
in your community may find
the wholeness that, enriching us,
shall reach the whole of humankind.

3 How strong, O Lord, are our desires,
how weak our knowledge of ourselves!
Release in us those healing truths
unconscious pride resists or shelves.

Benediction, then Postlude “Prelude in C minor”

J S Bach (1685-1750)

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

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