



# KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

*growing in courage to live the Jesus way*

10am – Sunday 6 May 2018

Easter Six

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Pre service music *"Fellowship of the Rings"*

Fran Walsh/ Howard Shaw, arranged Nicolai Podgornov  
played by Grace Togneri

*"L'amour a ses souffrances"*  
*"The Quest for love"*

Flor Peeters (1903-86)  
Mons Leidvin Takle (b. 1942)

Welcome

Introit *"Love Divine, all loves excelling"*

music by Howard Goodall

Call to Worship

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

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

Sing to the Lord a new song:

**For the Lord has done marvellous things.**

You have remembered your faithfulness,

**Your love for the house of Israel.**

All the ends of the earth have seen your victory.

**Shout with joy to the Lord all the earth.**

Sing and rejoice with the sound of melody.

**Let the rivers clap their hands:**

Let the hills rejoice together before the Lord

**For you come to judge the earth.**

Let us worship God.

Hymn *"O God of Earth and Space"*

(Leoni) PH 274 – Jane Parker Huber

1 O God of earth and space,  
Of sea and fire and air,  
Your providence surrounds us here  
And everywhere.

In fruit and grain and tree,  
In shelter from the cold,  
In cooling breezes, flowing wells,  
Now as of old.

2 Where faithfulness is shown,  
Where love and truth abound,  
Where beauty graces human life,  
There You are found.  
Inspirer of all thought!  
Creative force of art!  
The melody on every tongue,  
In every heart.

3 Wherever freedom reigns,  
Where sin is overthrown,  
Where justice fused with mercy rules,  
There You are known.  
Give us the courage clear  
To make the earth a home  
For all to live in harmony  
In Christ's shalom.

4 Your word commands response  
And summons us to life.  
We follow,  
strengthened by Your grace,  
In calm or strife.  
Our ever present help,  
Our challenge and our prod,  
We praise You now and to life's end,  
Eternal God.

## 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**

**Anthem** *"Ubi Caritas - where charity and love are found, God is there"*

music by Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

## Conversation with young members

### Hymn "All you works of God"

CH4 151 - Marty Haugen

*All you works of God,  
every mountain, star and tree,  
bless the One who shapes your beauty,  
who has caused you all to be  
one great song of love and grace,  
ever ancient, ever new.  
Raise your voices, all you works of God!*

1 [Cantor] Sun and moon:  
**[All] bless your Maker!**  
[Cantor] Stars of heaven:  
**[All] chant your praise!**  
[Cantor] Showers and dew:  
**[All] raise up your joyful song!**  
*[Refrain]*

2 [Cantor] Winds of God:  
**[All] bless your Maker!**  
[Cantor] Cold and winter:  
**[All] chant your praise!**  
[Cantor] Snow storms and ice:  
**[All] raise up your joyful song!**  
*[Refrain]*

3 [Cantor] Flying birds:  
**[All] bless your Maker!**  
[Cantor] Beasts and cattle:  
**[All] chant your praise!**  
[Cantor] Children at play:  
**[All] raise up your joyful song!**  
*[Refrain]*

4 [Cantor] All who live:  
**[All] bless your Maker!**  
[Cantor] Men and women:  
**[All] chant your praise!**  
[Cantor] Servants of God:  
**[All] raise up your joyful song!**  
*[Refrain]*

Reading Acts 10:44-48, 1 John 5:1-6

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

Gospel John 15:9-17

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

Sermon 'The joy of an obedient spirit'

## Affirmation of Faith

(PCANZ 1993)

**Christ Jesus, Child of Mary, God with us,**

**King and Suffering Servant, High Priest and Lamb of God,**

**Teacher and Word,**

**living, suffering, dying and rising again, you challenge, redeem and restore us.**

**Holy Spirit, Breath of life,**

**Counsellor and Comforter,**

**Fire of God,**

**you inspire, sustain, and purify us.**

**Forming us in the nature of Christ,**

**transforming us with your gifts,**

**you bind us together in one body, your church.**

**God of all creation,**

**made known to us in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit, your boundless love exposes our rebellion and greed.**

**A mother who will not abandon her child, a father who welcomes the prodigal home, you forgive, accept and embrace us and call us into loving communion for ever.**

**In life and death we belong to you,**

**everlasting God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## Hymn "This is my will"

CH4 357 – James Quinn

1 'This is my will, my new command,  
that love should dwell among you all.  
This is my will, that you should love  
as I have shown that I love you.

2 There is no greater love than this:  
to lay your life down for your friends.  
You are my friends if you obey  
what I've commanded you to do.

3 I call you servants now no more;  
no servant knows his lord's full mind.  
I call you friends, for I've told you  
all I have heard my Father say.

4 You did not choose me: I chose you,  
appointed you, and chose you all,  
each one to go and bear much fruit,  
fruit that will last beyond all time.

5 All that you ask the Father now  
for my name's sake you shall receive.  
This is my will, my one command,  
that love should dwell in each, in all.'

## 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 *"This is the truth sent from above"* music Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)  
Organ/ Tegen Baldwin

*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 "What a friend we have in Jesus"

(Converse) CH4 547 – Joseph Scriven

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
Oh what peace we often forfeit,  
oh, what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations,  
is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Jesus is our only refuge:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms he'll take and shield you;  
you will find a solace there.

# Benediction, then Postlude *“Praeludium in E minor”*

Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)