KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN
alive to God’s Spirit

10am – Sunday 12 August 2018
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Pre service music
“Allegro”
Anton Eberl (1765-1807)
“Adagio”
Félix-Alexandre Guilmant (1837-92)

Welcome

Introit “Te Aroha”
Te Puho Katene (1927-2010)

Call to Worship
Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. The Lord be with you.
Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.
God, I wait for you with all my soul:
in your word is my hope.
My soul waits for you
more than those who watch by night long for the morning.
Wait in hope for God.
With God there is love unfailing.
With God there is abundant life.
With God our past is turned to gift.
Let us worship God.

Hymn “All creatures of our God and King”
Lasst uns Erfreuen CH4 147
St. Francis of Assisi, trans. William Henry Draper

1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice, and with us sing:
alleluia, alleluia!
Bright brother sun with golden beam,
clear sister moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Swift rushing wind, so wild and strong,
high clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
New-breaking dawn, in praise rejoice,
and lights of evening, find a voice:
[Refrain]

3 Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfolds God's blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show:
[Refrain]

4 Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
[Refrain]
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 “Justorum Animae”

Text Wisdom 3: 1-3 (The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, nothing shall touch them: They seem to be dead, but they are at peace.)

Conversation with young members

Hymn “Loving Spirit, loving Spirit”

CH4 597 - Shirley Murray

1 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be –
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.

2 Like a mother you enfold me,
hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body,
form me of your flesh and bone.

3 Like a father you protect me,
teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder,
let me see the world from high.

4 Friend and lover, in your closeness
I am known and held and blessed:
in your promise is my comfort,
in your presence I may rest.

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Reading Ephesians 4:25-5:2

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

Gospel John 6:35, 41-51

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

Sermon ‘How are we drawn to Jesus?’
Hymn “Rejoice in God's saints”

1 Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

2 Some march with events to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
our world is their parish: their purpose is God.

3 Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:
they share our complaining, our comforts,
our cares:
what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

4 Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
In loving, in living, they prove it is true:
the way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to 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.

Notices

Offering and Dedication “Heard a voice from heaven saying unto me”

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 “Filled with the Spirit's power”

1 Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord
the infant church confessed its risen Lord.
O Holy Spirit, in the church today
again your power of fellowship display.

2 Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
that unity may be our great desire.
Give joy and peace, give faith to hear your call,
and readiness in each to work for all.

3 Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace
the people of all lands and every race.
Like wind and fire, with life among us move,
till we are known as Christ's and Christians prove.

Benediction, then Postlude “Gaudeamus”

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