



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

alive to God's Spirit

10am – Sunday 28 October 2018
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

Pre service music "*Rhosymedre*"

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Welcome

Introit "*Jesu, joy of man's desiring*"

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Call to Worship

(From Psalm 46)

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. The Lord be with you.

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

The earth shakes, the mountains quake—tempting our hearts to fear.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Storms rage, winds swirl—destroying schools, hospitals, homes.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Violence comes to light and continues around the world—

causing us to wonder if our prayers for peace are futile.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

We will not fear.

We will lay down our weapons and worship God.

Hymn "*Great and deep the Spirit's purpose*"

CH4 617 – Marnie Barrell (b. 1952)

1 Great and deep the Spirit's purpose,
hidden now in mystery;
nature bursts with joyful promise,
ripe with what is yet to be.

In a wealth of rich invention,
still God's work of art unfolds;
barely have we seen, and faintly,
what God's great salvation holds.

2 Great and deep the Spirit's purpose,
making Jesus seen and heard.

Every age of God's creation
grasps new meaning from the Word.
Show us, Holy Spirit, show us
your new work begun today;
eyes and ears and hearts are open,
teach us what to do and say.

3 Great and deep the Spirit's purpose:
all God's children brought to birth;
freed from hunger, fear and evil
every corner of the earth;
and a million, million voices
speak with joy the Saviour's name;
every face reflects his image,
never any two the same.

4 Great and deep the Spirit's purpose:
nothing shall be left to chance;
all that lives will be united
in the everlasting dance;
all fulfilled and all perfected,
each uniquely loved and known;
Christ in glory unimagined
once for all receives his own.

Prayer of Praise and Confession

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

Passing the Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou;
The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you**

Anthem *"O Lord thou hast searched me out"*

Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Soloists: Tanara Stedman, Claire Barton

Conversation with young members

Hymn *"A mighty fortress is our God"*

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
Our helper still, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing:
For still an ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe;
A craft and power great,
of fear and cruel hate,
Alone, we cannot equal.

3 And though this world, with evils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for Love hath willed
a truth to triumph through us.
The time of darkness grim;
we tremble not within;
This rage we can endure,
for lo, its end is sure,
One little word brings healing.

2 Did we on our own strength rely,
our striving would be losing;
Without the One who dwells beside,
the Light of life infusing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ now, eternally;
With many earthly names,
from age to age the same,
And Love must win the battle.

4 That word above all transient powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
through God, who ever guideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
A body they may kill;
this truth abideth still:
God's kingdom is forever.

Hebrew Scriptures Psalm 46

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

New Testament Revelation 3: 14-22

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Sermon “Reformation”

Rev. Prof. Peter Matheson

Hymn “*Come living God, when least expected*”

CH4 609 – Alan Gaunt (b. 1935)

Spiritus Vitae

1 Come, living God, when least expected,
when minds are dull and hearts are cold,
through sharpening word and warm
affection
revealing truths as yet untold.

3 Come now, as once you came to Moses
within the bush alive with flame;
or to Elijah on the mountain,
by silence pressing home your claim.

2 Break from the tomb in which we hide
you
to speak again in startling ways;
break through the words in which we bind
you
to resurrect our lifeless praise.

Sermon “The Spirit’s reforming”

Rev. Jordan Redding

Hymn “*Come living God, when least expected*”

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4 So, let our minds be sharp to read you
in sight or sound or printed page,
and let us greet you in our neighbours,
in ardent youth or mellow age.

6 Then we will share his radiant brightness
and, blazing through the dread of night,
illuminate by love and reason,
for those in darkness, faith’s delight.

5 Then, through our gloom, your Son will
meet us
as vivid truth and living Lord,
exploding doubt and disillusion
to scatter hope and joy abroad.

Prayer for others and Lord's Prayer

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 and Offering *"The Lord bless you and keep you"*

John Rutter (b. 1945)

*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 all the saints"*

CH4 740 – William Walsham How (1823-1897)

1 For all the saints who from their labours
rest;
who thee by faith before the world
confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

3 O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and
their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought
fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true
light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

4 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's
farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the
countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Benediction

Postlude *"Fugue in B minor BWV544"*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

We welcome and thank guest organist David Burchell.

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