



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

alive to God's Spirit

10am – Sunday 30 September 2018
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Pre service music *"Angels Toccata"* Knudson.

played by Tegen Baldwin

"Boogie No 1" Gerald Martin (1911-2007)

played by Darcy Badwin

"Humoresque" Pietro Yon (1886-1943)

played by Grace Togneri

Welcome

Introit *"In the beginning"* from *"The Creation"*

J F Haydn (1732-1809)

Tanara Stedman - soloist

Call to Worship

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

In the name of God, who creates all peoples,
the name of Jesus Christ, who gives new life to all peoples,
and the name of the Spirit, the same breath in all peoples. Amen.

All peoples of our planet, praise the Lord!

Peoples from every corner of creation,

Celebrate with all creatures on Earth!

Young and old across the planet,

Rejoice in the day God has made!

Indigenous peoples of every land,

Help us sense the spirit deep in each land!

All humanity on Planet Earth,

Praise God for our planet home.

Sing, peoples, sing!

Sing, creation, sing!

Hymn *"Sing for God's glory"*

CH4 172 – Kathryn Galloway

1 Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn
of creation,
racing across the sky, trailing bright clouds of
elation;
sun of delight
succeeds the velvet of night,
warming the earth's exultation.

2 Sing for God's power that shatters the
chains that would bind us,
searing the darkness of fear and despair that
could blind us,
touching our shame
with love that will not lay blame,
reaching out gently to find us.

3 Sing for God's justice disturbing each easy illusion,
tearing down tyrants and putting our pride to confusion;
lifeblood of right,
resisting evil and slight,
offering freedom's transfusion.

4 Sing for God's saints who have travelled faith's journey before us,
who in our weariness give us their hope to restore us;
in them we see
the new creation to be,
spirit of love made flesh for us.

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 *"The heavens are telling the glory of God from "The Creation"*

J F Haydn (1732-1809)

Grace Togneri – soprano, Rhys Thorn – tenor, John Elder – bass, Tanara Stedman – conductor

Conversation with young members

Hymn "Morning has broken"

CH4 212- Eleanor Farjeon

1 Morning has broken
like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing,
praise for the morning,
praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!

3 Mine is the sunlight;
mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.

Reading Esther 7:1-6, 9:20-22

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

Gospel Mark 9:30-37; 42, 50

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

Reflections *'What are we leaving our children?'*

Alva Feldmeier, Ben Tombs, Penivao Moealofa

Affirmation of faith

Women: We believe that God creates all things, renews all things and celebrates all things.

Men: We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's presence, a home for us to share with our kin.

Women: We believe that God became flesh and blood, became a piece of Earth, a human being called Jesus Christ, who lived and breathed and spoke among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for all creation.

Men: We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation and filling the cosmos.

Women: We believe the Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.

Together: We believe that with Christ we will rise, and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation.

Hymn "Touch the earth lightly"

CH4 243 – Shirley Murray

1 Touch the earth lightly,
use the earth gently,
nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder,
ours to surrender,
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

2 We who endanger,
who create hunger,
agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster
clouds of disaster,
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

3 Let there be greening,
birth from the burning,
water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden,
hope in God's children,
regeneration that peace will complete.

4 God of all living,
God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow, and the sun,
teach us, deflect us,
Christ re-connect us,
using us gently and making us one.

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 *“Consider the lilies how they grow”*

Richard Winslow (1918-2017)

*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.*

Offering Prayer

Jesus Christ, teach us to empathise with Earth. Make our spirits sensitive to the cries of creation, cries for justice from the land, the seas and the skies. Jesus Christ, make our faith sensitive to the groans of the Spirit in creation, groans of longing for a new creation. Jesus Christ, make our hearts sensitive to the songs of our kin, songs of celebration from the sea, the forest and the air. Christ, teach us to care. Amen

Hymn *“Now thank we all our God”*

CH4 182 – Martin Rinkart

1 Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

3 All praise and thanks to God
who reigns in highest heaven -
the Father and the Son
and Spirit – now be given:
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

2 O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever-joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
to keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
of this world and the next.

Benediction

Postlude *“New World IV”*

A Dvorak (1841-1904)

played by Karen Knudson

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