



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

a community working to make real God's realm

10am – Sunday 5 May 2019

Easter Three

Pre service music *"Allein Gott in der Hoh, sei Her" (Alone to God on High, be Glory)*

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

"Christ lag in Todesbanden (Christ Lay in Death's Grasp)

Tobias Volckmar (1678-1756)

We welcome *"My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."*

Isa. 56:7

We are called to worship

(inspired by Psalm 30)

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones;

God hears us in our fear and our faith.

Where there was no way,

God leads us in a new way.

Where there was no mercy,

God surprises us with fresh mercy.

Where there is weeping

God invites us to joy.

Let us worship God.

We sing

(Gonfalon Royal) CH4 184 – John Samuel Bewley Monsell

1 Sing to the Lord a joyful song,
lift up your hearts, your voices raise;
to us his gracious gifts belong,
to him our songs of love and praise.

4 For joys untold, that from above
cheer those who love his sweet employ,
sing to our God, for he is love;
exalt his name, for it is joy.

2 For life and love, for rest and food,
for daily help and nightly care,
sing to the Lord, for he is good,
and praise his name, for it is fair.

5 Sing to the Lord of heaven and earth,
whom angels serve and saints adore,
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
to whom be praise for evermore. Amen.

3 For strength to those who on him wait
his truth to prove, his will to do,
sing to our God, for he is great,
trust in his name, for it is true.

We pray and are assured of forgiveness

E te whanau, in Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

We share 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.

We prepare to hear God's Word

We sing

(Lord of the Dance) CH4 404 – Sydney Carter

1 I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth –
at Bethlehem I had my birth.
*Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.*

2 I danced for the scribe
and the pharisee,
but they would not dance
and they would not follow me.
I danced for the fishermen,
for James and John –
they came with me
and the Dance went on. [*Refrain*]

3 I danced on the Sabbath
when I cured the lame,
the holy people
said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung me high,
and they left me there
on a Cross to die. [*Refrain*]

4 They cut me down
and I leapt up high –
I am the life
that'll never, never die.
I'll live in you
if you'll live in me,
I am the Lord
of the Dance, said he. [*Refrain*]

We listen for God's Word

Acts 9:1-20; Revelation 5:11-14

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

John 21:1-6

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

Living in the resurrection

"The hospitality here spoken of is not merely a friendly reception, but one given with zeal and full of life, with readiness, and going about it as if one were receiving Christ himself."

St Chrysostom, Fourth Century

We sing

(Truro) CH4 416 – Brian Wren

1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

4 Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

2 Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.

5 Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

3 In every insult, rift, and war,
where colour, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.

We pray for others

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.**

We share news and offer ourselves to God

Adagio K 356 - for 'Glass Harmonica'

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

*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.*

We sing

(Blaenwern) GtG 761 – Jane Parker Huber

1 Called as partners in Christ's service,
called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment
fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing,
side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring
to fulfil God's chosen end.

2 Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,
Christ's clear call to work and worth,
let us follow, never faltering,
reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer,
all God's people, young and old,
blending human skills together
gracious gifts from God unfold.

3 Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,
in a small or global sense,
help us bear each other's burdens,
breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision,
words of challenge, said with care,
bring new power and strength for action,
make us colleagues, free and fair.

4 So God grant us for tomorrow
ways to order human life
that surround each person's sorrow
with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living,
our compassion to increase,
messengers of faith, thus giving
hope and confidence and peace.

We receive and affirm God's blessing

Postlude *Praeludium in E minor*

Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-1697)

Organ played by Peter Stockwell

"God's intention ... is to create a world full of riotous difference." Letty Russell

"Communities who welcome strangers should ask for minimal conformity and provide maximum space for diversity." Jean Vanier

"This is the challenge of Christian hospitality: to embrace all people as God has embraced us in Christ." Brinton