



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

called to be a community following Jesus

10am – Sunday 9 June 2019

Pentecost - Quarterly Communion

Pre service music *“Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist”* (Now We Ask the Holy Spirit) J G Walther (1684-1748)
“Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist” (Now We Ask the Holy Spirit) BuxWV 209
Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

We are welcomed in God’s love

We prepare for worship, led by our choir

“Thou standest O Lord, high above all praise”

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

We are invited to worship

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Remember the promise of the Lord:

Acts 2:17

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

The Spirit of God renews the earth.

Ps. 104:30, 35

Bless the name of the Lord!

We sing God’s praise

(Down Ampney) CH4 608 – Iain Cunningham

1 Spirit of truth and grace,
come to us in this place
as now in Jesus’ name God’s people gather.
Open our eyes to see
truths that will ever be,
and in communion draw us close together.

3 Spirit of life and power,
revive us in this hour
and stir our hearts to praise with true
devotion,
Fill us with heavenly fire,
and every heart inspire,
that we may serve the world with your
compassion.

2 Spirit of joy and peace,
make all anxieties cease
with knowledge of our Father’s perfect
caring.

Then may God’s children know
love that won’t let us go
and joy that fills each day, beyond
comparing.

Litany of Pentecost

Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over the waters. From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counsellor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples; you gave them voice to speak to the rulers of this world. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; you make us the living temple of your presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life, ... that the whole creation may be transformed. **Come, Holy Spirit!**
True and only Light, ... and acclaim Jesus as Lord. **Amen.**

We pray and are assured of God's great love

Jesus says: Let anyone who is thirsty come to me. Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

We share the peace of Christ

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

And also with you.

Our choir leads us in praying *"He watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps"*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

We prepare to hear God's Word

We pray for God's Spirit

(Breath of Heaven) CH4 589 – John L Bell

1 Come, Holy Spirit,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

3 Come, Word of Mercy,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

2 Come, Breath of Heaven,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

4 Come, Fire of Judgement,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

5 Come, Great Creator,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

6 Come to inspire us,
descend on us,
descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

We listen for God's Word

Acts 2:1-21

*Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. **Thanks be to God.***

'A community of prophets'

We affirm our faith

The United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

We share news and offer ourselves to God

"If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he will give you another comforter, even the Spirit of truth"

text: John 14 vs 15, music Thomas Tallis (1505-85)

*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.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy ... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy

My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words,

'You are holy, Lord.' (x2)

Thank you for Jesus, our Saviour and Lord... now and forever. **Amen.**

**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.**

Anglican prayer book

Communion

"Prelude on St Columba" (Come Holy Ghost)

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"Improvisation on Veni Creator Spiritus"

Healey Willan (1880-1985)

J Alban Hinton

John Cook

Prayer

We are sent in song

(Cwm Rhondda)

1 God of tempest, God of whirlwind,
as on Pentecost descend!
Drive us out from sheltered comfort:
past these walls your people send!
Sweep us into costly service,
there with Christ to bear the cross,
there with Christ to bear the cross!

3 God of earthquake, God of thunder,
shake us loose from lethargy!
Break the chains of sin asunder,
for earth's healing set us free.
Crumble walls that still divide us:
make us one in Christ our Lord,
make us one in Christ our Lord!

2 God of blazing, God of burning,
all that blocks your purpose, purge!
Through your church, Christ's living Body,
let your flaming Spirit surge!
Where deceit conceals injustice,
kindle us to speak your truth,
kindle us to speak your truth!

4 God of passion, God unsleeping,
stir in us love's restlessness!
Where the people cry in anguish,
may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil:
claim us for your kingdom's work,
claim us for your kingdom's work!

We are blessed in going

Postlude *"Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"*

Flor Peeters (1903-86)

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