



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

10am – Sunday 23 October 2022

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Ratapu rua tekau i muri i te Petekoha

Music to prepare us for worship *Pavane* Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Choir *O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires*
text Psalm 37, music Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

Welcome

Call to worship

(adapted from the Iona Community)

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

Ma Ihowā koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Jesus said to Pharisees minding their business and fishers mending their nets: **Follow me.**

To the money-handlers, the lawyers, the tax collectors and power-brokers: **Follow me.**

To the carers and the cleaners, the young and the old, country-folk and city dwellers:

Follow me.

Then and now, together and apart, willing or doubting, ready or not, Jesus says: **Follow me.**

Hymn *(if able, please stand and sing)*

(tune: Gather us in) CH4 623 - Marty Haugen

1 Here in this place, new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away,
see in this space our fears and our
dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in – the lost and forsaken,
gather us in – the blind and the lame:
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2 We are the young – our lives are a
mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face,
we have been sung throughout all of
history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in – the rich and the haughty,
gather us in – the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

3 Here we will take the wine and the
water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your
daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
but here in this place, the new light is
shining,
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in – all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Prayer and assurance of forgiveness

E te whānau a te Karaiti, family of Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

Passing the peace

Kia tau te rangimārie o te Karaiti ki runga i a koutou. May the peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please stand and make a gesture of peace towards people around you.

Children

Hymn *(please remain seated)*

HIOS 23 - Traditional

E te Ariki
whakarongo mai rā
Ki a mātou.
E te Ariki
titiro mai rā
ki a mātou
tēnei mātou ō tamariki.

E whakapono ana mātou
ki a koe.
Auē, Auē
te Matua, te Tamaiti, Wairua Tapu e
te Matua, te Tamaiti, Wairua Tapu e.

*(Oh God, listen to the cry of your children. Oh God, see the plight of your children.
We are yours and we believe in you. Father, Son and Holy Spirit.)*

First reading: Joel 2:23-32

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

Second reading: Luke 18:9-14

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

Choir *Ave Verum corpus- Hail, true Body* - a short eucharistic hymn of 13th century

attributed to Pope Innocent VI, music W A Mozart (1756-91)

Reflection 'Praying from the ground up'

Affirmation of faith *(if able please stand and share in saying from Iona)*

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

We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect for creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn *(If able, please remain standing and sing)*

(tune: Down Ampney) CH4 489 - Bianco da Siena

1 Come down, O Love Divine,
seek out this soul of mine,
and visit it with your own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

2 Let holy charity
my outward vesture be,
and lowliness becomes my inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with
loathing.

3 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human
telling;
we cannot guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Ordination and induction of Vanessa Sinclair as an elder serving on Church Council

To all: Putting your whole trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, do you seek to serve Christ in the world, living into the coming realm of God? **We do.**

To the congregation: As members of this congregation, will you encourage and support your elders and remember them in your prayers? **We will.**

To the church council: Will you seek to be Christ-like in speech and conduct, serving the people to whom God calls you, God being your helper? **We will.**

Prayer: *God of grace, you have called us to be disciples of Christ and to share in his ministry of reconciliation. Renew our commitment to Christ. Deepen our joy in your service.*

Strengthen us to live your love for the world and to seek God in our neighbour, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers for others followed by the Lord's Prayer

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.

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 forever. Amen.

Notices and dedication of offering

Hymn

1 Go in grace and make disciples,
baptise in God's holy name;
tell of death and resurrection,
Easter's victory now proclaim.
Christ's commission sends us forth
to the nations of the earth.
Go in grace and make disciples,
midwives for the world's rebirth.

2 Go and follow Christ's example,
not to vanquish, but to heal;
mend the wounds of sin's divisions,
servant love to all reveal.

(tune: Abbot's Leigh) CH4 682 - Mary Louise Bringle

Roles and ranks shall be reversed,
justice flow for all who thirst.
Go and follow Christ's example,
Forge a world of last made first.

3 Go in Pentecostal spirit,
many tongues and many gifts;
feed the hearts of hungry people,
spread the gospel that uplifts.
As disciples, teach and learn,
till the day of Christ's return.
Go in Pentecostal spirit,
let God's flame of witness burn.

Blessing

Music for our leaving *Toccata Bonaventura Somma*

played by Carolyn Schmid

7pm - Sunday evening service in the Gathering Area – *The Church as salt - becoming the Community Jesus speaks about.* The final in the three-part series based on Sally Douglas's book, this week 'salt as seasoning'. All are welcome.

Serving today

Minister - Kerry Enright
Associate Minister - Jordan Redding
Organist and Choir Director - Karen Knudson
Reader - Peter Matheson
Prayers - Warren Jowett
Welcoming team - team 5
Counting team - Howard Smith's team

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- *Make regular automatic payments (which are tax deductible) - contact Chris Bloore at plannedgiving@knoxchurch.net*
- *Give online to the Church's bank account at 03 0903 0016425 00 - our charity number for tax rebate purposes is #CC52318*
- *Give before the service, into the offering boxes at the back of the church or using the Paywave*