

KNOX CHURCH, ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN 10am – Tekau ma toru o Āperira (13 April) 2025

Palm Sunday Rātapu nikau

Organ music Waiata Ōkana "Prelude in G major" BWV 550 JS Bach (1685-1750) played by Robbie Eyers

Choir Kaiwaiata "Procession to Calvary-Fling wide the Gates" Stainer, from The Crucifixion

Greeting Rāhiritanga

Notices Pānui

Call to Worship Karanga ki te karakia

If you listen carefully, there is a beat, a rhythm, a melody. Creation is singing! The stones cry out, the mountains dance. The sun and the moon both praise. The stars shine while the trees sway and clap their hands in time. Do you hear creation sing, singing the song of Jubilee? This is the music of Creator that sets all the captives free.

Hymn Hīmene

All glory, praise and honour, to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the king of Israel, great David's greater son; you ride in lowly triumph, the Lord's anointed one! *All glory, praise...*

2 The company of angels are praising you on high, and we with all creation together make reply: *All glory, praise...* (tune: Gloria, laus et honor) - Theodulf of Orleans, translator: JM Neale

3 The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went; our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *All glory, praise...*

4 To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise; to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *All glory, praise...*

5 As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring, for you delight in goodness O good and gracious king!

Opening Prayer Inoi Tuatahi

Passing the Peace Te tuku i te Rangimārie

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

May the Shalom of Jesus Christ be with you always. **Ki a koe anō hoki. And also with you**

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

Choir Kaiwaiata "And can it be" music Dan Forrest Carolyn Schmid/ organ, Anna High/ piano

First Focus Kaupapa Tuatahi: A letter from the King with Anna, Maggie and Fred High. With thanks also to Anna Togneri

Hymn Hīmene

1 No royal robes, but donkey riding, the Christ, our King, had come to town, Jerusalem came out to meet him. Would gold or thorns compose a crown?

2 The people spread their palms before him,

they wondered what this day would bring: as Jesus, humble, riding quietly brought contrast to the praise they'd sing.

3 The ones who'd shared these years had answers,

but even they could get it wrong. So many tensions, tangled, threaded brought notes of discord to their song. (tune: St Clement) - Andrew E Pratt

4 But soon the world would be confounded, the tables turned, the structures torn, till only those fired by God's spirit could meet this crisis, be reborn.

5 And if within imagination we walked within that crowd today, would we withstand the world's derision, to stay with Christ, or turn away?

1st Bible Reading Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuatahi: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Whakarongo ki te Wairua Tapu, Listen to the Holy Spirit. **Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God**.

2nd Bible Reading Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuarua: Luke 19:28-40 Whakarongo ki te Kupu a te Atua, Listen for the Word of God.

Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.

Second Focus Kaupapa Tuarua: And a King came riding ...

Hymn Hīmene

At the conclusion of this Hymn, a basket of donated items for the Presbyterian Support foodbank will be brought forward and dedicated. If you wish to contribute financially to the work of Knox Church and you are not on our electronic giving system, please place your cash offering in one of the donation boxes at the back of the church as you leave. Thank you for your support.

1 Ride on, ride on, the time is right: the roadside crowds scream with delight; Palm branches mark the pilgrim way where beggars squat and children play.

2 Ride on, ride on, your critics wait, intrigue and rumour circulate; new lies abound in word and jest, and truth becomes a suspect guest.

3 Ride on, ride on while well aware that those who shout and wave and stare are mortals who, with common breath, can crave for life and lust for death. 4 Ride on ride on, though blind with tears, though dumb to speak and deaf to jeers. Your path is clear, though few can tell their garments pave the road to Hell.

5 Ride on, ride on, the room is let, the wine matured, the saw is whet; and dice your death- throes shall attend though faith, not fate dictates your end.

6 Ride on, ride on, God's love demands. Justice and peace lie in your hands. Angel and evil voices rhyme: This is the man and this the time.

Dedication of the Offering Te Whakatapunga o ngā Koha

Followed by The Lord's Prayer Te Inoi a te Ariki sung in Te Reo

Philip Fleming/ guitar, Sara Brown/ piano, Carolyn Schmid/ organ

Choir Kaiwaiata "Benedictus- Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" from The Armed Man-a Mass for Peace music Karl Jenkins (b. 1944) Carolyn Schmid/ organ, Sara Brown/ piano

Blessing of the Palm Crosses for those at the Otago Corrections Facility

– Janet Wishart

Holy Communion

Invitation

Lift up your hearts **We lift them up to God** Let us give thanks to God **It is good to give God thanks and praise** ...

Prayer after Communion

Blessed be God who offers invitations **Blessed be God who sets places at the table** Blessed be God who gives us the bread of life **Blessed be God who comes to us in love** Our hands and hearts were empty **Blessed be God who has filled us with hope** Let us go out risking to tell the Gospel **We go in the name of Christ.**

(tune: Winchester New) - Graham Maule & John L Bell

Hymn Hīmene

1 I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart;

I will enter his courts with praise.

I will say this is the day that the Lord has made.

I will rejoice for he has made me glad.

2 He has made me glad, he has made me glad,

I will rejoice for he has made me glad. He has made me glad, he has made me glad,

I will rejoice, for he has made me glad.

3 I have entered your gates with thanksgiving in my heart;

I have entered your courts with praise

I can say this is the day that the Lord have made

I now rejoice for you have made me glad.

4 You have made me glad, you have made me glad,

I will rejoice for you have made me glad. You have made me glad, you have made me glad,

I will rejoice for you have made me glad.

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Organ music Waiata Ōkana Paraphrase on a Chorus from Handel's 'Judas Maccabeus' from '18 Nouvelle Pieces' Op. 90 - Felix-Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911) played by Peter Stockwell

Evening service – 7pm – Lenten Carols & the words of Joy Cowley in the Church with the Choir - led by Margaret Garland

Serving today

Member – Carol Grant Organist and Choir Director - Karen Knudson Reader – David Skegg Welcoming team – Team 5

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