

KNOX CHURCH, ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN

10am – Tuarima o Hanuere (5 January) 2025

Second Sunday after Christmas Rātapu hēkena i muri i te Kirihimete

Preservice Lobt Gott, ihr Christen allzugleich (Praise God, You Christians Altogether) BuxWV 202 - Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707). Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her (From Heaven High, I Come to Here) - Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau (1663-1712). Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ (Praise Be To You, Jesu Christ) BWV 604 from 'Orgelbuchlein' - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome and Introduction

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

Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

Call to Worship

In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

We gather, alive to the Word of God.

You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength and mind.

We listen, alive to the Word of God.

You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom, Sometimes startling and unexpected, Sometimes still and quiet, But always dwelling among us.

We watch and wait for the Word of God.

Opening Hymn

O come, let us adore him;

(tune: Adeste Fideles) CH4 306 - attributed to: JF Wade, trans: Frederick Oakeley

1 O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; come, and behold him, born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him;

O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

2 God of God, Light of light, Lo! he abhors not the virgin's womb; very God, begotten not created; [Refrain] 3 Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation; sing, all ye citizens of heaven above, 'Glory to God, all glory in the highest': [Refrain]

4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born for our salvation;
Jesus, to thee be all glory given:
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing:
[Refrain]

Prayer of Approach

Words of assurance and declaration of peace

E te whanau a te Karaiti, God forgives us. Forgive others, forgive yourself. **Amen.**

Kia tāu tonu te rangimārie o te Karaiti ki a koutou. May the peace of Christ be with you all. **Ki a koe anō hoki. And also with you.**

Passing of the peace

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

Tamariki time

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-14

Whakarongo ki te Wairua Tapu, Listen to the Holy Spirit.

Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: John 1:1-18

Whakarongo ki te Kupu a te Atua, Listen for the Word of God.

Mauruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.

Hymn

1 What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this, the angels sing, is Christ,
God's holy offering;
Haste, haste your praise to bring the babe the child of Mary!

2 Why lies the Child in manger bare, where ox and ass are feeding? Give heed draw near; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you; Hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the child of Mary!

(tune: Greensleeves) NCH 148 – W Chatterton Dix

3 Bring gifts of incense, gold, and myrrh, come, join in jubilation; the Holy Child, though meek and mild, has come with God's salvation.
Raise, raise the song on high, the mother sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christmas is born, the babe, the child of Mary!

Sermon: Made Known

Hymn (tune: *Stiteler*) NCH 406 – Dan Damon

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1 Not with naked eye, not with human sense: through the eye of faith observe omnipotence.

2 Not a golden king, not a mighty queen: God's in earth and heaven and all that lies between.

3 Children learn of God sitting on the grass, touching, tasting, smiling, hearing Jesus pass.

4 Thomas saw the Christ breaking earth's routine; blessed are those who trust the Holy One unseen.

5 Not with crafted scope, not with crystal lens: vision of the Christ begins where seeing ends.

Dedication of the Offering (remain standing)

Prayers of the people 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 āianei
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

Closing Hymn

1 Womb of life, and source of being, home of every restless heart, in your arms the worlds awakened; you have loved us from the start. We, your children, gather round you at the table you prepare. Sharing stories, tears and laughter, we are nurtured by your care.

2 Word in flesh, our brother Jesus, born to bring us second birth, you have come to stand beside us, knowing weakness, knowing earth. Priest who shares our human struggles, Life of Life, and Death of death, risen Christ, come stand among us, send the Spirit by your breath.

(tune: Ode to Joy) CH4 118 - Ruth Duck

3 Brooding Spirit, move among us; be our partner, be our friend. When our memory fails, remind us whose we are, what we intend. Labour with us, aid the birthing of the new world yet to be, free from status and division, free for love and unity.

Benediction

Followed by the sung three-fold Amen

Final Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in E minor 'The Cathedral' BWV 533 - JS Bach (1685-1750)

Serving today

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