



# KNOX CHURCH, ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN

10am – Tekau ma iwa o Hanuere  
(19 January) 2025

Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Rātapu tuarua i muri i te Epifani

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Organ music (Waiata Ōkana)

## Greeting (Rāhiritanga)

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

Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki. The Lord bless you.

## Call to Worship (Karanga ki te karakia)

### I am covenantal love...

Before you ask me to help you.

Before you know you are hungry.

Before you thirst.

Before you know your need.

### I am covenantal love...

Before your body tightens in fear.

Before your relationships splinter.

Before your lips parch from slander.

Before your shallow breath.

### I am covenantal love...

Before your foolish actions.

Before your resistance to me.

Before your undesirable thoughts.

Before your careless neglect.

### I am covenantal love...

Before your addiction.

Before your rage.

Before your desire for help.

Before your constant control.

### I am covenantal love...

Before you pray.

Before you breath.

Before you let go.

Before you were born.

... Amen

## Hymn (Hīmene)

Words: ©John Bell & Graham Maule, Tune: *Praise My Soul* CH4 160

1 Praise with joy the world's Creator  
God of justice, love, and peace.  
source and end of human knowledge,  
force of greatness without cease.  
Celebrate the Maker's glory,  
power to rescue and release.

2 Praise to Christ who feeds the hungry,  
frees the captive, finds the lost,  
heals the sick, upsets religion,  
fearless both of fate and cost.  
Celebrate Christ's constant presence -  
Friend and Stranger Guest and Host.

3 Praise the Spirit sent among us,  
liberating truth from pride.  
forging bonds where race or gender,  
age or nation dare divide.  
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure -  
foolishness none dare deride.

4 Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit,  
one God in Community,  
calling Christians to embody  
oneness and diversity.  
Thus the world shall yet believe, when  
shown Christ's vibrant unity.

### **Prayer of Praise: Psalm 36:5-10** *read responsively*

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep;  
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.**

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of  
your wings.

**They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of  
your delights.**

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright  
of heart! Amen.**

### **Opening Prayer (Inoi Tuatahi)** *Sung Response*

Words: John L Bell, God Welcomes All 42

... God welcomes all

*We sing*

God welcomes all,  
strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong  
and it never ends.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

... Know that we are forgiven, set free to serve and love. **Thanks be to God**

### **Passing the Peace (Te tuku i te Rangimārie)**

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God (Matt 5:9).

Kia tāu tonu te rangimārie o te Ariki ki a koutou.

May the peace of 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*

### **Conversation (Kōrerorero)**

## **1<sup>st</sup> Bible Reading (Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuatahi): Isaiah 62:1-5**

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

**Māuruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Bible Reading (Pānui Paipera Tapu Tuarua): John 2:1-11 -**

The Wedding in Cana

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

**Māuruuru e te Atua, Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon (Kauwhau)**

### **Hymn (Hīmene)**

Words: Shirley Murray, Tune: *David Dell* AA 94(i)

*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 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,  
you have chosen me to be -  
you have drawn me to your wonder,  
you have set your sign on me

4 Friend and lover, in your closeness  
I am known and held and blessed:  
in your promise is my comfort,  
in your presence I may rest.

2 Like a mother you enfold me,  
hold my life within your own,  
feed me with your very body,  
form me of your flesh and bone.

5 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,  
you have chosen me to be -  
you have drawn me to your wonder,  
you have set your sign on me.

3 Like a father you protect me,  
teach me the discerning eye,  
hoist me up upon your shoulder,  
let me see the world from high.

## **Dedication of the Offering (Te Whakatapunga o ngā Koha)**

### **Prayers of the people (Ngā karakia a te iwi)**

#### **The Lord's Prayer (Te Inoi a te Ariki)**

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 (Pānui)

### Hymn (Hīmene)

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.

Words: Ruth C Duck, Tune: *Beach Spring* CH4 252

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.

3 Brooding Spirit, move among us;  
be our partner, be our friend.  
Where 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 (Te Manaakitanga) & threefold Amen

Organ music (Waiata Ōkana)

### Serving today

Minister – Margaret Garland  
Organist and Choir Director - Karen Knudson  
Playing today – Richie Brown  
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Counting team – team 2

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