KN OX CHURCH

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A DEDICATION SERVICE FOR THE REBUILT KNOX CHURCH

WELCOME TO KNOX

Knox Church is a congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand. We aim to create Christian community in which people of all ages, sexual orientations, cultural backgrounds and socio-economic situations are included as equally valued participants in our congregational life. We cherish our diversity, offering a safe place of belonging to any who wish to explore their beliefs in an atmosphere promoting discussion, the development of healthy relationships and spiritual growth. We strive to be open to dialogue and shared experiences with people of other faiths. We enjoy worshipping the God made known in Jesus, endeavouring to do so in ways that are relevant to our daily lives, respect the integrity of creation, and make a positive difference to our wider world.

A loop system for hearing aids operates at Knox.

Toilets are available through the door on the pulpit side of the sanctuary and on the ground floor of the Knox Centre.

This is a communion service. On the understanding that God desires to nurture people at every stage of their journey, the table at Knox is an open one. Members of any denomination, as well as any who are seeking God sincerely, are welcome to receive communion here.

The Organ Prelude:PavaneTeilman Susato(1510-1570)

The Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand is the Right Reverend Andrew Norton. At two minutes before 10:00am, he assembles his party at the West doors of the Church, which by now are closed and locked.

At 10:00am, **with the congregation still seated**, the minister of Knox Church greets the congregation, explaining what will follow, and outlining the logistics of the communion service.

Welcome:

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. God be with you. **MA IHOWA KOE E MANAAKI. GOD BLESS YOU.**

The congregation is asked to stand. There is a moment of silence.

Following the moment of silence, the Moderator knocks three times on the closed doors, and says:

Lift up your heads, you gates, lift yourselves up, you everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

From inside the church, the congregation replies: **WHO IS THIS KING OF GLORY?**

The Moderator answers: The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

The doors are opened.

The Moderator says:

Peace to this house, from God, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life.

The Call to Worship:

Moderator, we light a candle in the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

JESUS, GOD'S FULLEST EXPRESSION OF "GOD WITH US"; JESUS, CLEANSER OF THE TEMPLE; JESUS, EXPLODING OUR IDEAS OF WHERE GOD IS.

Hymn:

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Geistliche Kirchengesängen, Köln, 1623



Fanfare Introduction Organ leads into verse 1 The congregation watches the conductor for the cue to sing

1. ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING LIFT UP YOUR VOICE AND WITH US SING, ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! THOU BURNING SUN WITH GOLDEN BEAM, THOU SILVER MOON WITH SOFTER GLEAM!

O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

2. THOU RUSHING WIND THAT ART SO STRONG YE CLOUDS THAT SAIL IN HEAVEN ALONG, O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! THOU RISING MOON, IN PRAISE REJOICE, YE LIGHTS OF EVENING, FIND A VOICE!

O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

 Thou flowing water, pure and clear, Make music for thy Lord to hear, O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright, That givest us both warmth and light.

> O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. DEAR MOTHER EARTH, WHO DAY BY DAY UNFOLDEST BLESSINGS ON OUR WAY, O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! THE FLOWERS AND FRUITS THAT IN THEE GROW, LET THEM HIS GLORY ALSO SHOW.

O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

 And all ye here of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part, O SING YE! ALLELUIA! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and on Him cast your care!

O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

 And thou most kind and gentle Death, Waiting to hush our latest breath,
O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! Thou leadest home the child of God, And Christ our Lord the way hath trod.

> O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

7. LET ALL THINGS THEIR CREATOR BLESS, AND WORSHIP HIM IN HUMBLENESS, O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! PRAISE, PRAISE THE FATHER, PRAISE THE SON, AND PRAISE THE SPIRIT, THREE IN ONE!

O PRAISE HIM! O PRAISE HIM! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

The congregation sits.

Prayer of Approach

. . . Lord have mercy. CHRIST HAVE MERCY. Lord have mercy.

Assurance and Response

. . . In the name of Christ I say to you: You are forgiven and you are free. **THANKS BE TO GOD. AMEN.**

Prayer of Supplication

... OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME, YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS 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.

If there are younger ones present A Conversation with the Younger Ones

Young People's Blessing:

Young ones, go to your worship with our blessing. In Christ we love you.

TAKE OUR FAITH AND HOPE; MAKE NEW THINGS OF WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN. MAY GOD BLESS AND GROW YOU. AMEN.

Bible Lesson: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9

In this is the Word of God. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Knox Singers: Creation Hymn Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Sermon

The congregation stands and sings all verses of **Hymn**:

Two Oaks

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)



- Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
 Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: *All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*
- Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as a symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: *All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

The congregation sits.

The Rebuild Journey:	Rev. Dr Geoff King (Minister of Knox, 2003-2012) Rev. Dr Matthew Jack (Minister of Knox, 2014 -)			
The Dedication:	Right Rev. Andrew Norton			

The Offering

Knox people will pass offering bags around the congregation. While we do not pay to come to church, the contributions of those who give are appreciated and dedicated. We stand for the dedication of the Offering.

Blessed are you, O God of all creation. Through your goodness, we have this money to offer, which we have earned using the talents that you have given us. It will further the work of your kingdom. BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.

Blessed are you, O God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER.**

Blessed are you, O God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us our spiritual drink. BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, AMEN.

The Passing of the Peace

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

A KI A KOE ANO HOKI; AND ALSO WITH YOU.

We exchange a sign of peace with one another.

We stand to sing Communion Hymn: Down Ampney

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1959)



- Come down, O love divine, seek out this soul of mine, and visit it with your own ardor glowing.
 O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.
- 2. O let it freely burn, til earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let your glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
- 3. And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till we become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Bianco da Siena (d. 1434) trans: Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.

We sit for The Invitation, Institution and Setting Apart of the Elements

The Great Eucharistic Prayer:

May God be with you. **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Lift up your hearts. **WE LIFT THEM TO GOD.**

Let us give thanks to the world's creator. IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

It is right indeed . . .

The Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God:

Jesus, Lamb of God, HAVE MERCY ON US. JESUS, BEARER OF OUR SINS, HAVE MERCY ON US. JESUS, REDEEMER OF THE WORLD, GRANT US YOUR PEACE.

The Communion

For the distribution, please come forward to the table, receive some bread from the loaf, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat. If you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, please avoid the cup and take a communion glass from the tray. If you want to receive communion but cannot come forward, please indicate your intention to communicate to the roving communion servers. They will bring the elements to you.

<u>Communion Motets</u>: Ave Verum Corpus: William Byrd (1540-1623)

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit (et) sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. Hail,true body born of Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for humanity, whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood, be for us a foretaste in the test of death.

Locus Iste: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Locus iste a Deo factus est, inaestimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est. This is God's house, which he has made. Profoundly sacred, it is beyond reproof.

The Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks and praise that while we were still far off you met us in your Son, and brought us home.

MAY WE WHO SHARE HIS BREAD LIVE HIS RISEN LIFE; WE WHO DRINK HIS CUP BRING LIFE TO OTHERS; WE WHOM THE SPIRIT LIGHTS GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD, THAT ALL YOUR CHILDREN SHALL BE FREE, AND THE WHOLE EARTH LIVE TO PRAISE YOUR NAME. AMEN.

Hymn:

Nun Danket

Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

Fanfare Introduction

The congregation watches conductor for the cue to stand



1. NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD, WITH HEART AND HANDS AND VOICES, WHO WONDROUS THINGS HAS DONE, IN WHOM THIS WORLD REJOICES; WHO FROM OUR MOTHERS' ARMS HAS BLESSED US ON OUR WAY WITH COUNTLESS GIFTS OF LOVE, AND STILL IS OURS TODAY.

- 2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessèd peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed; and free us from all ills, in this world and the next!
- 3. ALL PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD THE FATHER NOW BE GIVEN; THE SON AND HIM WHO REIGNS WITH THEM IN HIGHEST HEAVEN; THE ONE ETERNAL GOD, WHOM EARTH AND HEAVEN ADORE; FOR THUS IT WAS, IS NOW, AND SHALL BE EVERMORE.

Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Benediction and Sung Amen

Postlude: Chorale; from *Suite Gothique* Leon Boellmann (1862-1897), arr. Daniel Cooper

Revealing of the Dedication Plaque

The dedication of the rebuilt church has occurred during the service. As the Moderator moves from the Church to the Knox Centre Lounge for morning tea, he will remove the cover from the dedication plaque in the new Gallery area, just beneath the damaged lona cross that once sat atop the old church. On your way to morning tea, you might care to pause at the cross and observe the new dedication plaque.

Tea and coffee are served in the Lounge following the morning service

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Musical Thanks

Grateful thanks to the musicians who have enhanced our service today:

Principal Trumpet: Gus Allerm

Principal Trombone: Ben Rainey

Trumpets: Dingcheng Luo Riley Payne Matthew Page Trombones: Jeff Hill Karen St Guillaume Rebecca Harris

Percussion: Alex Smith Soprano Soloist: Sylvia Barnett Guest Organist: Grant Bartley

RE-DEDICTION OF THE ORGAN A WONDERFUL FREE CONCERT

At 2:00pm this afternoon, we gather for the rededication of the organ which was extensively damaged in the Canterbury earthquakes. John Hargraves, Director of the South Island Organ Company, will hand over the organ keys to Daniel Cooper, the Knox Church Organist. The organ's inaugural recital will be presented, free to all comers, by international organist, Martin Setchell. This will be a wonderful musical occasion. Please come!

THE KNOX SINGERS

The Knox Singers sing at services twice a month and on special occasions. Sight reading singers are heartily encouraged to join us. Contact Daniel Cooper, the Knox Church organist, at <u>organist@knoxchurch.co.nz</u>

KNOX CHURCH YOUTH PROGRAMME

Beginning today, Knox Church launches its new generation of children's ministry with a Sunday morning programme for young ones. Following an all age "conversation with the young ones" in church, and a reinvigorated children's corner in church, a skilled and dedicated team of children's leaders will provide children (from pre-school to schooled) with a fine and friendly experience in the renewed Sala del Sol.

OPEN DAY – 7 FEBRUARY

Knox wants both to welcome the whole community to the new building, and also to thank the wider Presbyterian / Cooperating Ventures community for its love and support over the time of our re-build. We recognise that many people may not have been able to join us for the official opening at 10:00am on Sunday 1st February, so we are holding an open day on **Saturday 7 February, from 1:30pm until 4:30pm**. During this time, tea and coffee will be available, and friendly guides will take you on an exploration of all our buildings. At 2:00pm, 3:00pm and 4:00pm, the minister will speak about the interior of the new church and how it serves our ideals.

At 5:00pm the Alpine Presbytery Regional Deputy Moderator, Rev. Murray Talbot, will lodge a time capsule outside the church on Victoria Street. Particular thanks will be given for the support offered by the Presbyterian community. At 5:10pm, we gather in the church for a narrative, prayer, Bible reading, a hymn and the Deputy Moderator's blessing.



The Bible readings for next week

The readings for next week's service are likely to be:

- Isaiah 40: 21-31
- Mark 1: 29-39

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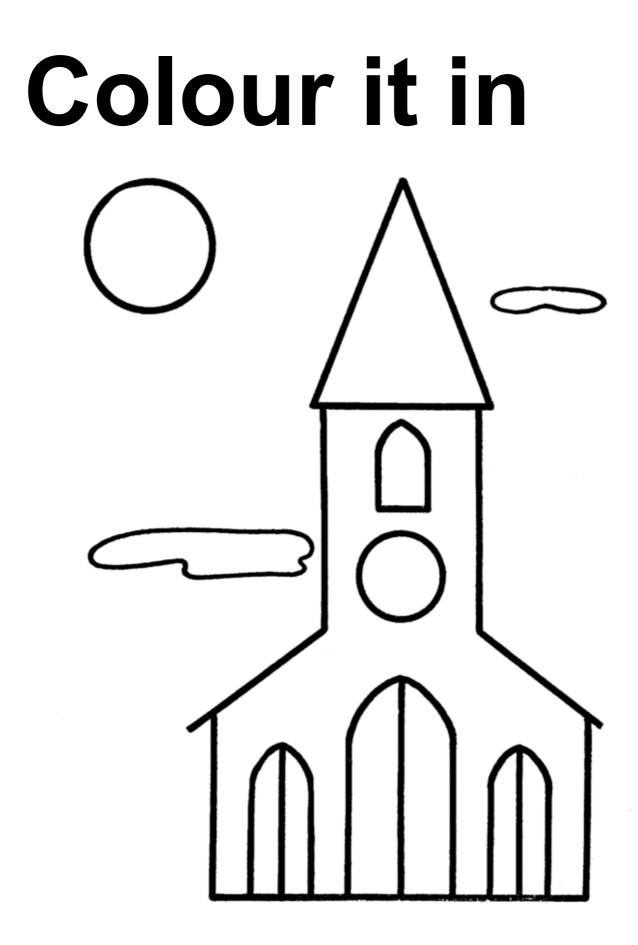
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