

Opoho Presbyterian Church

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21 July 2019 – Support Sunday

Welcome!

*Whoever you are, you are welcome here at Opoho Church.
Whether you come often, haven't been for a while or you're new,
we are glad you are here today. We are all one in God.*

*Everyone here is seeking to know God better,
and we're glad you have joined us on this vital quest.*



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Offerings of money for the work of this parish, money for the Dunedin Night Shelter, and goods for Presbyterian Support's Food Bank, may be left in the offering bag, dish, or basket (as appropriate) on the trolley near the door, either before or after the service.

***Please consult the worship leader
before taking photographs or other recordings during a service,
in accordance with the church media policy displayed in the Morrison Lounge.***

Please take care – the heating pipes under the pews are very hot and can burn.

Welcome

Call to Worship

Among the poor, among the proud,
among the persecuted, among the privileged,

Christ is alive, making all things new.

With a gentle touch, with an angry word,
with a clear conscience, with burning love,

Christ is alive, making all things new.

Within us, without us, behind us, before us,
in this place, in every place, for this time, for all time,

Christ is alive, making all things new.

Hymn *please stand as the Bible is carried in and for the first hymn*
words Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), tune *St Denio* WOV 80

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Prayer of Confession and the Peace

Be assured that we are forgiven, we are set free.

Thanks be to God.

The Peace of Christ be with you all,
and also with you.

Community Time – welcome, notices, anniversaries

Birthday greetings today.

May God bless you we pray.

Live for Jesus dear [name *or* friends],

May he guide you always.

Chat Time

Youth Hymn *please remain standing at the end for the Offertory Prayer.*

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One, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia,
one, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia,
One, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia!
Praise to you, our God.

Our God lives with us, alleluia,
making all things new, alleluia,
sharing in our lives, alleluia!
Praise to you, our God. (*boom, boom, boom*)
One, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia ...

Gifts of love God brings, alleluia,
filling us with joy, alleluia,
peace and goodness too, alleluia!
Praise to you, our God. (*boom, boom, boom*)
One, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia ...

By our love we show, alleluia,
how we live and grow, alleluia,
caring for each one, alleluia!
Praise to you, our God. (*boom, boom, boom*)
One, two, three (*clap, clap*) alleluia ...

Offertory Prayer *we say together*

Loving God,
you have given generously to us
and we now present our offerings of money and goods
for the work of your Church in this place and beyond.
Grant that they may be used wisely in your service
and for the advancement of your kingdom.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
Amen.

Bible Readings

First Reading Micah 6:6-8

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

People: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:34-40

Reader: This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

People: **Praise to Christ the Word**

Sermon

Hymn

words and music Richard Gillard (1953-) AA 8

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
we are travellers on the road,
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear,
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping,
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you,
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

...we sing together

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth, as in heaven.
Give us this day 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, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. WOV 676

Hymn words J.R. Peacey (1896-1971), tune *Woodlands* WOV 328

Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord
the infant church confessed its risen Lord:
O Holy Spirit, in the church today
no less your power of fellowship display.

Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
that unity may be our great desire:
give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call,
and readiness in each to work for all.

Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace
in your strong care all those of every race:
like wind and fire with life among us move
till we are known as Christ's, and Christians prove.

Commissioning

Embodying a community of hospitality,
we witness to the love of God.

Responding in acts of generous compassion,
we witness to the way of Christ.

Encouraging a life-giving freedom and creativity,
we witness to the work of Spirit.

We are sent out to be the people of God.

Let us go in peace.

We go in the name of Christ.

Benediction *we say together*

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all now and forever. Amen (sung)

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*It is good to have you worshipping with us today.
Everyone is welcome to stay for morning tea
in the Morrison Lounge and/or Hall after the service –
through the door at the back of the church.*

Today's service was brought to you by
Leading the Service: Gregor Macaulay
Preacher: Jo Rowe (Presbyterian Support Otago CEO)
Door Duty: Michael Ovens and Andrew Smith
Music: David Murray
Readings: Maurice Andrew
Prayers: Benjamin Thew
Morning Tea: Judy Rodda and Kirk Hamilton
Church Cleaning: Judy Rodda
Hall Cleaning: Andrew Smith

Opportunities for Ministry Week Ending 28 June

Door Duty: Abby Smith and Hamish Spencer
Music: Music Group
Readings: Jenny Bunce
Prayers: John Roxborough
Morning Tea: Jane Bloore and Jenny Roxborough
Church Cleaning: Bronwen Strang
Hall Cleaning: Christine Cleugh

Parish Clerk: Tui Bevin 473 8677 mark.bevin@gmail.com
Interim Moderator: The Rev. Ed Masters 027 637 9818

Keeping in Touch

Parish directories with contact details of parishioners are available on the back pew. Please take one if you need it. If you would like to be emailed about church news and coming events, please give your email address to the Parish Clerk, Tui Bevin, or email her at mark.bevin@gmail.com

Any changes or additions to events listed in the *Opoho Signal* will be posted as they are known on the website at
<http://opohochurch.org/events-and-activities/>

Diary of Coming Events

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| 21 June ~ Sunday | Deadline for July <i>Opoho Signal</i> |
| 24 June ~ Wednesday | 6.30 p.m.: Psalm writing with takeaways, 129 Signal Hill Road |
| 28 June ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Anne Thomson |
| 1 July ~ Wednesday | 7.30 pm: Ministry Settlement Board, 129 Signal Hill Road |
| 2 July ~ Thursday | 7.30 pm: Bible Book of the Month, <i>2 Thessalonians</i> , 129 Signal Hill Road |
| 5 July ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship with Holy Communion, the Rev. Graeme Munro |
| 8 July ~ Wednesday | 8 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, 64 Cannington Road |
| 9 July ~ Thursday | 2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge <i>Sharing lockdown thoughts and New Zealand's history of infectious diseases</i> |
| 12 July ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Paul Ranby |
| 16 July ~ Thursday | 7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge |
| 19 July ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, Jane Bloore |
| 20 July ~ Monday | Deadline for August <i>Opoho Signal</i> |
| 26 July ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship with Music Group, the Rev. Anne Thomson |
| 29 July ~ Wednesday | 6.30 p.m.: Psalm Writing with BYO takeaways, 129 Signal Hill Rd |
| 2 August ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship with Holy Communion, the Rev. Graeme Munro |
| 5 August ~ Wednesday | 7.30 p.m.: Ministry Settlement Board, venue TBC |
| 6 August ~ Thursday | 7.30 p.m.: Bible Book of the Month, <i>1 Timothy</i> , 129 Signal Hill Road |
| 9 August ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Hilary Smith |

