

Opoho Presbyterian Church

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10 October 2021 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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.*



Mark 10:17-22

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.*

Call to Worship

Boldly, let's approach God's throne of grace.

There, we may receive mercy.

There we will find grace to help in our time of need.

For we know Jesus, who is the Christ.

We know Jesus, have confessed our faith in him as the Son of God,
and trust he has faced the challenges of this life.

So, holding fast to our confession, let us worship God!

Prayer of Approach

Please stand as the Bible is carried in and for the first hymn.

Hymn words and music by Philip Fleming

I thank you Lord for all you've done:

You gave us life and you gave us your Son.

Your love runs like a river deep.

I say to you, please guide me.

Haere mai Te Wairua Tapu (x3)

Haere mai, haere mai

The world needs to know of your precious Son,

That he is the only one.

His love is everlasting –

Just wait and see what it can bring.

Haere mai Te Wairua Tapu (x3)

Haere mai, haere mai

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

...we are forgiven, we are set free.

Thanks be to God

Hymn words and music Eddie Espinosa

Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like You.

Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like You

You are the Potter,
I am the clay;
Mould me and make me,
This is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like You.

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 anō hoki. And also with you.

we stand and acknowledge one another

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

Young People's Song words and music Philip Fleming

I wonder what the day will bring, it's the coming of the spring,
can you hear the birds sing:

The Son The Son is shining today.

I reach to stroke the purring cat, who's been sitting on my lap,
he's just woken from his nap:

The Son The Son is shining today.

The wind is blowing from the east, it is time for a tasty feast,
just like they did in ancient Greece:

The Son The Son is shining today.

I thank you God for the fish, it's been on my prayer list,
it is going to be a delightful dish:

The Son The Son is shining today.

Here I am alone again, would you come and be my friend,
I will love you till the end:

The Son The Son is shining today.

Please remain standing at the end for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer said together

Loving God,

**Open our eyes to your presence
in the world around us.**

**Open our eyes to the way you are present
here in all of us, no matter our age.**

**Give us the faith to believe
that you are also present in us.**

Bless our living and our giving,

We ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

Bible Readings

First Reading Job 23:1-9

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading Mark 10:17-31

Reader: This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

People: **Praise to Christ the Word.**

Sermon *A new day, a new life*

Hymn words and music Malcolm Gordon, inspired by *St Patrick's Breastplate*

*Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ above me and below,
Christ beside me, Christ within me,
Christ around me where'er I go.*

Everything is sacred,
Everything is blessed,
Everyone made worthy
To find their holy rest.
Everyone belongs here,
Everyone is loved,
Every life that's failing
Grace will lift above

Christ before me...

Everything is sacred
Everything is blessed
Everyone made worthy
To find their holy rest
Everyone belongs here
Everyone is loved
Every life that's failing
Grace will lift above

Christ before me ...

Everything is sacred
Everything is blessed
Everyone made worthy
To find their holy rest
Everyone belongs here
Everyone is loved
Every life that's failing
Christ will raise us up

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

....we say 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.

Hymn words Bernadette Farrell, tune *Christ be Our Light* CH4 543

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.
Christ, be our light!...

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.
Christ, be our light!...

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.
Christ, be our light!...

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light!....

Commissioning/Benediction and sung Amen

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Today's service was brought to you by

Leading the Service: Mary Somerville

Door Duty: Sanel and Rudie Tomlinson **Music:** Singers and guitarists

Readings: Julie-Ann Fleming **Prayers:** Benjamin Thew **Flowers:** Jane Bloore

Morning Tea (*subject to Covid levels*): Jane Bloore and Christine Cleugh

Church Cleaning: Jane Bloore **Hall Cleaning:** Christine Cleugh

Opportunities for ministry week ending 17 October

Door Duty: Gregor Macaulay and Mark Ranby **Music:** Gaynor Haig

Data Projector: Benjamin Thew **Readings:** Lena Henderson

Prayers: John Roxborough **Flowers:** Allison Mulder

Morning Tea (*subject to Covid levels*): Hamish Spencer and Abby Smith

Church Cleaning: Allison and Will Mulder **Hall Cleaning:** Andrew Smith

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Keeping in Touch

If you would like to be emailed about church news and coming events, please give your email address to the Parish Clerk, Philip Somerville, or email him at psomer39@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

Physical gatherings may be subject to Covid alert level restrictions.

12 October ~ Tuesday	7-8 p.m.: Poems Prayers Psalms Prose – a friendly writing group, Salmond College Chapel, 19 Knox Street
13 October ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Morrison Lounge
14 October ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
17 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
20 October ~ Wednesday	Material due for November <i>Opoho Signal</i>
21 October ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
24 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
28 October ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Christian Development Committee, Morrison Lounge
31 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Anne Thomson
7 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, Communion, followed by Annual Meeting
11 November ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
14 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Gregor Macaulay
18 November ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge or via Zoom
20 November ~ Saturday	Material due for December-January <i>Opoho Signal</i>
21 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
28 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind

