

Opoho Presbyterian Church

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28 June 2019 – Fourth 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.*



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

Welcome to this place of worship.

Welcome in the name of the One who created us.

Welcome to the Spirit that is moving in us.

Welcome to the Christ who welcomes us.

Welcome to you, for all are part of the body of Christ.

Welcome, for we are all brothers and sisters in Christ.

Let us worship the God who welcomes us.

We sing WOV 53 The God of Abraham praise

We pray

We share the peace of Christ

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Karaiti ki a koutou:
the peace of Christ be with you

A ki a koe anō hoki; and also with you.

we exchange a sign of peace with each other

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

We sing *please remain standing at the end*
words and music Graham Kendrick CH4 692

Jesus puts this song into our hearts,
Jesus puts this song into our hearts;
it's a song of joy no one can take away.
Jesus puts this song into our hearts.

Jesus teaches how to live in harmony,
Jesus teaches how to live in harmony;
Different faces, different races, he makes us one.
Jesus teaches how to live in harmony.

Jesus teaches how to be a family,
Jesus teaches how to be a family;
loving one another with the love that he gives.
Jesus teaches how to be a family.

Jesus turns our sorrow into dancing,
Jesus turns our sorrow into dancing;
changes tears of sadness into rivers of joy,
Jesus turns our sorrow into a dance. (Hey!)

Offering Prayer

Readings

First Reading Genesis 22:1-14

In this is the word of God:

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading Experiencing God: two views (Psalm 13 and Psalm 23)

O LORD, how long will you forget me? Forever?

How long will you look the other way?

The LORD is my shepherd;

I have everything I need.

He lets me rest in green meadows;

he leads me beside peaceful streams.

How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul,
with sorrow in my heart every day?

He restores my soul.

**He guides me along paths of righteousness
for the sake of his good name.**

How long will my enemy have the upper hand?

Turn and answer me, O LORD my God!

Restore the sight to my eyes, or I will die.

Even when I walk through the dark valley of death,

I will not be afraid,

for you are close beside me.

Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.

Don't let my enemies gloat, saying, "We have defeated him!"

Don't let them rejoice at my downfall.

You prepare a feast for me right in front of my enemies.

You welcome me as a guest, anointing my head with oil.

My cup overflows with blessings.

But I trust in your unfailing love.

I will rejoice because you have rescued me.

I will sing to the LORD

because he has been so good to me.

Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me

all the days of my life,

and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.

Gospel Reading Matthew 10:40-42

This is the gospel of Jesus Christ:

Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon

We sing words E.J. Smith, tune *Dunedin* AA 155

Faith will not grow from words alone,
from proofs provided, scripture known.

Our faith must feel its way about,
and live with question-marks and doubt.

The pattern Jesus showed, we share:
life comes through death, hope through despair.
God is made known in brokenness,
and faith feeds on God's emptiness.

The church still tells how Jesus came
through death to glorious life again –
the strangest story! Yet, maybe,
our faith will thrive on mystery.

Faith takes the little that we know
and calls for hope, and tells us: Go!
Love and take courage, come what may;
Christ will be with us on the way.

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.**

Sending out

God sends us out to walk the way of Christ.

We go, knowing that we never walk alone.

God sends us out to serve the world God loves –

Bringing hope and healing and a cup of water.

God sends us out.

We go in the name of Christ.

We sing WOV 546 Lord of all hopefulness

Benediction

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and forever, Amen.

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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: The Rev. Anne Thomson

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

Opportunities for Ministry Week Ending 5 July

Door Duty: Gregor Macaulay and Benjamin Thew

Music: David Murray

Readings: Jane Bloore

Morning Tea: Abby Smith and Hamish Spencer

Church Cleaning: Michael Ovens

Hall Cleaning: Allison and Will Mulder

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

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



THE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

Dunedin Hospital Chaplaincy 2020 Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistant Training

Do you feel God calling you to become a part of the Hospital Chaplaincy Ministry? **This is a ministry of presence and not evangelism.** A training course for Voluntary Chaplaincy Assistants will be held this year at Dunedin Hospital. You are invited to a taster and information evening on Wednesday 1 July, 7.30-8.30 p.m. in the Dunedin Hospital Chapel. RSVP to Joy.Hamilton-Jones@southernhb.govt.nz or office answerphone 474 0999 ext. 58135.

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New ministry in the heart of Dunedin
Induction of the Rev. Jordan Redding
and recognition of changes for the Rev. Olivia Dawson

Knox Church met recently to call an associate minister and the Presbytery has sustained the call. You are invited to join the celebration. The service will induct the Rev. Jordan Redding to two roles – as minister of Knox Church Dunedin and Tertiary Chaplain. The service will also recognise the Rev. Olivia Dawson's change of terms of appointment from part-time to full-time Tertiary Chaplain. The service will be held on **Thursday 9 July at Knox Church**, George Street. A Presbytery meeting will be held at 6.40 p.m. in the Matheson Room, followed by the service of induction at 7 p.m. in the church. Presbytery members who wish to record their apologies please email these to the Southern Presbytery Office (alan@southernpresbyterians.nz).

In addition, **First Church** will host a gathering (a special meeting of the Dunedin North Otago Regional Group) at 11 a.m. on **Friday 3 July**, probably in the Burns Hall, to present the certificates of call to the ministers and to pray with them. The occasion should take be about 30 minutes and should include a hot or cold drink.

