

Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

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30 August 2026 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome!

*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 journey.*



St Paul (1606) by El Greco (1541-1614)

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. Offerings may also be made electronically – ask to talk to our Treasurer.

***Please consult the Minister or 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 *Psalm 105:1-3*

Call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing psalms to him;

talk of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Lord!

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

Hymn words Eleanor Farjeon, tune *Bunessan* (2) WOV 91

Morning has broken, like the first morning;

blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.

Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,

praise for them, springing fresh from the word.

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from heaven,

like the first dewfall, on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,

sprung from completeness where his feet pass

Mine is the sunlight; mine is the morning

born of the one light Eden saw play.

Praise with elation, praise every morning,

God's recreation of the new day.

Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

we say together (Psalm 103:12)

As far as the east is from the west,

so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

we exchange a sign of peace with each other

Community Time – welcome, notices, news, anniversaries, etc.

Birthday greetings today.

May God bless you we pray.

Live for Jesus dear [name or friends],
may he guide you always.

Chat Time *Sailing with Paul*

Children's Song Video

Paul the Apostle by Manny Patino, performed by Kids Music Planet
(Bible Song Country – Kids Christian Music)

Please stand for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

**As we offer our gifts to you,
we are reminded of your call
to step out into the world and make a difference.**

**Give us courage and wisdom
as we engage with the world around us,
sharing your love and truth with others.**

**Bless these offerings,
that they may support ministries and missions
that reach out to those in need.**

**And empower us to be your hands and feet in the world,
shining your light wherever we go. Amen**

Bible Reading *Romans 12:9-21*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection *Saul/Paul*

Hymn *The Summons*, The Iona Community CH4 533

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Intercessory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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**

Hymn words Charles Wesley (1707-1788), tune *Duke Street* WOV 24

Forth in thy name O Lord I go
my daily labour to pursue
thee, only thee resolved to know
in all I think, or speak, or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
o let me cheerfully fulfil,
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes my inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command
and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray,
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to thy glorious day.

For thee delightfully employ
whate'er thy bounteous grace has given,
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with thee to heaven

Benediction said together

**Now may the God of peace equip us
with everything good for doing His will.
May we go forth as a light in the darkness,
carrying his love, grace, and hope into the world,
in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen**

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*Everyone is welcome to stay for morning tea after the service –
through the door at the back of the church.*

Today's service was brought to you by
Leading the Service: Jane Bloore
Door Duty: Shona and Philip Somerville
Music: Music Group
Readings: Shona Somerville
Prayers: Mary Somerville
Sound and Data Projector: Benjamin Thew
Morning Tea: Sarah and Tom Ranby and Marian Weaver
Church and Hall Cleaning: Allison Mulder

Opportunities for ministry week ending 6 September

Door Duty: Jenny Bunce and Gregor Macaulay
Music: David Murray
Readings: Andrew Smith
Sound and Data Projector: Sanel Tomlinson
Morning Tea: Jane Millichamp and Daniel Larsen
Church Cleaning: Daniel Larsen
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Coming Events at Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

6 September ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind and Mary Somerville, Quarterly Communion
9 September ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Minister's Office
10 September ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
13 September ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Marian Weaver
19 September ~ Saturday	Church Fair
20 September ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Café church, the Rev. Clare Lind Material due for October <i>Opoho Signal</i>
24 September ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
27 September ~ Sunday	Daylight saving begins – clocks go <i>forward</i> one hour 10 a.m.: Worship (pet service), the Rev. Clare Lind, followed by a shared lunch
4 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, World Communion Sunday
9 October ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Minister's Office
8 October ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
11 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Jay Robinson
17 October ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
18 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind followed by Annual Meeting
20 October ~ Tuesday	Material due for November <i>Opoho Signal</i>
25 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
26 October ~ Monday	Labour Day – public holiday

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, Hamish Spencer, or email him at opohoclerk@gmail.com

