Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

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21 April 2024 – Easter 4

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.



The Healing of the Lame Man by Sir Nicholas Dorigny (1657-1746); from a cartoon by Raphael for the tapestries in the Sistine Chapel (Acts 3:1-10)

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

Anei te rā o te Atua

Me koa tatou kua marama.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

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 you, Christ behind you, Christ above you and below, Christ beside you, Christ within you, Christ around you where'er you go. Chorus

Christ before us, Christ behind us, Christ above us and below, Christ beside us, Christ within us, Christ around us where'er we go Chorus

Prayer

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 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 Friends

Song words Rae E. Whitney, tune *Hazelnut* CH4 142

A small thing like a hazelnut lay in my open hand, and God disclosed three truths to me that I might understand:
God made it, God loves it, and God will always care;
God made it, God loves it, and God will always care for it.

I marvelled that this little thing reveals how God can be our maker, lover, keeper, now and for eternity!
God made you, God loves you, and God will always care;
God made you, God loves you, and God will always care for you!

Until my heart is one with God, its aching will not cease, and so I rest, held close by God, these three truths bringing peace: God made me, God loves me, and God will always care; God made me, God loves me, and God will always care for me!



Please remain standing at the end for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

God of our Easter faith, we entrust these gifts to you and, along with them, ourselves.

God of our Easter hope, bring hope through these gifts and our service.

God of Easter love, live in and through us, we ask in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Bible Reading Acts 3:1-10

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon A Lame Man Walked

Intercessory Prayer

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 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. WOV 676

Benediction arr. Nicola and Guy Jansen, tune *Kum By Ya* AA 31

E te Atua aroha mai, (x3) [O God love us – forever and ever] Ake ake tonu e, ake ake tonu e.

E te Atua manaaki mai, (x3) [O God bless us - forever and ever] Ake ake tonu e, ake ake tonu e.

E te Atua awhina mai, (x3) [O God help us – forever and ever] Ake ake tonu e, ake ake tonu e.

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Everyone is welcome to stay for morning tea in the Morrison Lounge and/or Hall and/or outside 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. Clare Lind

Door Duty: Hamish Spencer and Benjamin Thew

Music: Abby Smith Reading: Julie Mander Prayers: Daniel Larsen

Sound and Data Projector: Judy Rodda

Flowers: Allison Mulder

Morning Tea: Sanel and Rudie Tomlinson Church Cleaning: Miriam Vollweiler Hall Cleaning: Chris Young

Opportunities for ministry week ending 28 April

Door Duty: Rudie and Sanel Tomlinson **Music:** Abby Smith and John Stenhouse

Readings: Rudie Tomlinson

Prayers: Mark Ranby

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Flowers: Shona Somerville

Morning Tea: Judy Rodda and Kirk Hamilton

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

Coming Events at **Ōpoho Presbyterian Church**

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| 25 April ~ Thursday | ANZAC Day – public holiday |
| 28 April ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind |
| | After church: Abby's Jam Palace in hall |
| 5 May ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, |
| | Communion |
| 8 May ~ Wednesday | 7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, |
| | Morrison Lounge |
| 9 May ~ Thursday | 2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge |
| | 7.30 p.m.: Christian Development Committee, |
| | Morrison Lounge |
| 12 May ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Russell Thew |
| 16 May ~ Thursday | 7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge |
| 18 May ~ Saturday | 1.30-5 p.m.: 'Active Listening' workshop for |
| (not 4 May as incorrectly | parish visitors and other interested parishioners, |
| advertised in diary of | Morrison Lounge; RSVP by 12 May to Philip |
| events in Opoho Signal) | Somerville if you plan to attend |
| 19 May ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind |
| 20 May ~ Monday | Material due for June Opoho Signal |
| 26 May ~ Sunday | 10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind |

