

Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

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19 October 2025 – Nineteenth 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.*



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

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

Hymn words and music © Colin Gibson AA 72

In this familiar place I know the mystery of your grace.
*For the love that I receive, for the truth that I believe,
I praise and thank you for this here and now.*

In halting song and word the music of your voice is heard.

Among these friends of mine I taste the company divine.

Within this narrow sphere I learn that you are everywhere.

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 *Emergency*

Please stand for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

Loving God,

we entrust ourselves to you.

**We thank you for the gift of your Spirit –
your life within us.**

**We thank you for the work of the Spirit in our lives,
and for the fruit of the Spirit which we see
in the lives of our sisters and brothers.
We ask your blessing on these gifts
and on our work for you,
and on the work of the church in this country,
in Jesus' name, Amen.**

Bible Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Reflection – *Two words, two stories and a poem*

Hymn Traditional, *Hope is Our Song* 23

E Te Ariki, whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.
E te Ariki, titiro mai rā ki a mātou.
Tēnei mātou ō tamariki.
E whakapono ana mātou ki a koe.
Auē, auē, te Matua, te Tamaiti, Wairua Tapu e,
te Matua, te Tamaiti, Wairua Tapu e.

Translation:

O God, listen to the cry of your children.

O God, see the plight of your children.

We are yours and we believe in you

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Intercessory Prayer

Lord's Prayer *sung*

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.

tune Richard Gillard and John Smith, Alleluia Aotearoa 112

Hymn words Carol Rose Ikeler, tune *The Bard of Armagh* CH4 522

The Church is wherever God's people are praising,
knowing they're wanted and loved by their Lord.
The Church is wherever Christ's followers are trying
to live and to share out the good news of God.

The Church is wherever God's people are loving,
where all are forgiven and start once again,
where all are accepted, whatever their background,
whatever their past and whatever their pain.

The Church is wherever God's people are seeking
to reach out and touch folk wherever they are –
conveying the Gospel, its joy and its comfort,
to challenge, refresh, and excite and inspire.

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Benediction words David Adam, music Colin Gibson FFS 51

O spring in the desert; O shelter from heat,
O light in the darkness, O guide for our feet,
O joy in our sadness, O strength for the weak,
O Christ with us always, your Presence we seek.

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*Everyone is welcome to stay for morning tea
after the service and before the Annual Meeting.*

Today's service was brought to you by
Leading the Service: The Rev. Clare Lind
Door Duty: Shona and Philip Somerville
Music: David Murray (and Music Group as available)
Readings: Mark Ranby
Prayers: Abby Smith
Sound and Data Projector: Hamish Spencer
Flowers: Shona Somerville
Morning Tea: Judy Rodda and Kirk Hamilton
Church and Hall Cleaning: Sanel and Rudie Tomlinson

Opportunities for ministry week ending 26 October

Door Duty: Abby Smith and Hamish Spencer
Music: Alan Baker
Readings: Hamish Spencer
Prayers: John Roxborogh
Sound and Data Projector: Benjamin Thew
Flowers: Shona Somerville
Morning Tea: Susan Wall and Marian Weaver
Church Cleaning: Benjamin Thew
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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

19 October ~ Sunday	After worship: Annual Meeting
20 October ~ Monday	Material due for November <i>Opoho Signal</i>
23 October ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
26 October ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
27 October ~ Monday	Labour Day – public holiday
2 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, Communion
9 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Jane Bloore, Remembrance Sunday
11 November ~ Tuesday	7.30 p.m.: Christin Development Committee, Morrison Lounge
12 November ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Morrison Lounge
13 November ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
16 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
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27 November ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
30 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Abby Smith



