

Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

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6 July 2025 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost – Communion

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.*



Slightly cropped version of *Harvest in Provence* by Vincent Van Gogh (1853-1890)

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

He korōria ki te Atua. *Salute to God.*
He maungārongo ki te whenua. *Peacefulness to the land.*
He whakaaro pai ki te tangata. *Good will to the people.*
Ka haere tatau ki te karakia. *Let us go to worship.*

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

Hymn WOV 61 Lord, your almighty word

Prayer

The Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimārie 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 A Question

Hymn words and music Abby Smith

It takes courage, he said, to scatter your seeds
when you know there are stones, and each little bird feeds,
and somehow the ground seems to conjure up weeds.

It feels like a waste, but it's what the world needs.

It takes courage, he said, to scatter your seeds.

He carries the bowl in the crook of his arm,

digs his hand in, the seeds dusty and warm.

Scatters them out with a wide graceful throw,

hoping that some will take root, thrive and grow.



It takes courage, he said, to reach out your hand.
Will you follow his path in an unfriendly land?
Put your arms around someone who just cannot stand?
Can you reach for his robe where it touches the sand?
It takes courage, he said, to reach out your hand.

*You carry the bowl in the crook of your arm,
dig your hand in, the seeds dusty and warm.
Scatter them out with a wide graceful throw,
hoping that some will take root, thrive and grow.*

It takes courage, he said, to look for the lost,
to leave home behind, no matter the cost.
Will you sail over seas where the wild waves are tossed?
Will you climb the high hills which are shining with frost?
It takes courage, he said, to look for the lost.

*We carry the bowl in the crook of our arms,
dig our hands in, the seeds dusty and warm.
Scatter them out with a wide graceful throw,
hoping that some will take root, thrive and grow.*

Please remain standing for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

**Living God, we bring these offerings
in response to your goodness to us.
Thank you for the light and hope
that has entered our lives
through our relationship with you.
May our service and these offerings enable
your light and hope to enter our neighbourhood. Amen.**

Bible Reading *Luke 10:1-11&16-20*

This is the gospel of Jesus Christ.
Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon Mission

Communion Hymn

words Marnie Barrell, music Colin Gibson, *Hope is Our Song* 55

Here I stand among God's people
giving thanks for all God's care,
and I gladly bring my offering
to the common life we share.
There's a thread within God's story
that is mine alone to know,
and a vision of God's glory
that my life was made to show.

When the gospel words are spoken,
when the bread and wine are blessed,
Jesus makes me more than welcome
at the table as his guest.
And as I go out to serve him
in my action, work and prayer,
he will send me where I'm needed,
when he calls me I'll be there.

With the Word of God to guide me
I will learn my whole life long;
with the Spirit here beside me
I'll be confident and strong
as I work for peace and justice
in my own appointed place,
and I'll stand among God's people
till I see God face to face.

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Prayer

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Joining with all created things to say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Breaking of the bread and distribution

*Communion is open to all who wish to receive it.
We have gluten-free bread and use unfermented grape juice.*

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 and music Sydney Carter CH4 530

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go;
from the old things to the new,
keep me travelling along with you.
*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corners of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me.

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should.
Where I see no way to go,
you'll be telling me the way, I know.

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough;
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you:

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me;
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you:

Benediction

words Shirley Murray, music Colin Gibson, *Hope Is Our Song* 87

Let our earth be peaceful,
let our hearts be hopeful,
let our hands be gentle
for the love of God.

Let our ways be mindful,
mending what is hurtful,
doing what is needful
for the love of God.

Let our lives be fruitful,
beautiful and playful,
every day be thankful
for the love of God.

***As you leave, please place your empty communion glass
in the container on the trolley at the back of the church.***

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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: The Rev. Clare Lind
Door Duty: Julie Mander and Jenny Bunce

Music: David Murray

Readings: Jenny Bunce

Sound and Data Projector: Daniel Larsen

Morning Tea: Abby Smith and Hamish Spencer

Church Cleaning: Susan Wall

Hall Cleaning: Bronwen Strang

Opportunities for ministry week ending 13 July

Door Duty: Marian Weaver and Gregor Macaulay

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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

6 July ~ Sunday	6-8.30 p.m.: <i>Finding New Favourites</i> , a hymnbook sing-along, in church
9 July ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Morrison Lounge
10 July ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
13 July ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Jay Robinson 6-8.30 p.m.: <i>Finding New Favourites</i> , a hymnbook sing-along, in church
20 July ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind Material due for August <i>Opoho Signal</i>
24 July ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
27 July ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
3 August ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, Communion
5 August ~ Tuesday	7.30 p.m.: Christian Development Committee, Morrison Lounge
10 August ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Olivia Dawson
13 August ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Morrison Lounge
14 August ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
15 August ~ Friday	7 p.m.: informal Scottish country dancing in hall
17 August ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
20 August ~ Wednesday	Material due for September <i>Opoho Signal</i>
24 August ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
28 August ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
31 August ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Anne Thomson

