

Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

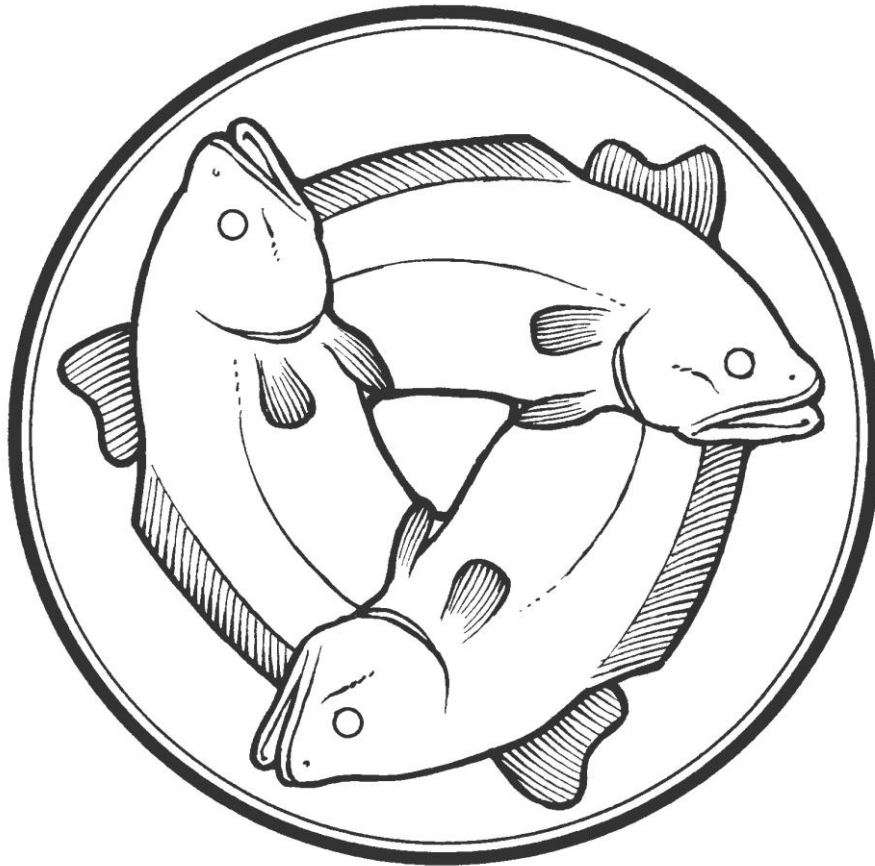
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21 January 2024 – Epiphany 3

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.*



Mark 1: 14-20

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.***

Welcome

Call to Worship

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

Hymn words and music Deirdre Browne *Together in Song* 693

Come as you are: that's how I want you.
Come as you are; feel quite at home,
close to my heart, loved and forgiven.
Come as you are: why stand alone?

No need to fear, Love sets no limits;
no need to fear, love never ends;
don't run away shamed and disheartened,
rest in my love, trust me again.

I came to call sinners, not just the righteous;
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.
Each time you fail to live by my promise,
why do you think I'd love you the less?

Come as you are: that's how I love you;
come as you are, trust me again.
Nothing can change the love that I bear you;
all will be well, just come as you are.

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

Song words and music © Colin Gibson HIOS 63

How much am I worth? What value's in me?

Do I count, if I stand or I fall?

If I'm weak or I'm strong, if I win or I lose,
am I someone, or no one at all?

I am worth everything, everything, everything,

I am worth everything in the eyes of God:

you are worth everything, everything, everything,
we are worth everything in the eyes of God.

I am that bird that dropped to the ground,
the tiniest bird of them all,
and nobody knew, and nobody cared,
but our Father, who cares for us all.

I am that stone that fell from a ring,
that was precious beyond all compare;
and they hunted the house, till they cried out with joy
when they saw it, still gleaming, down there.

I am that child who felt lost and afraid,
when she saw just how far she had roamed;
but they scoured the hills till they found her again,
and, rejoicing, they brought her safe home.

How much am I worth? Do I matter at all?
When I'm thinking it through may I see
that I'm worth all the love of the Son of God,
who laid down his life just for me.

Please remain standing at the end for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

Bible Reading *Mark 1: 14-20*

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon

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

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 © Colin Gibson, WOV 672

Where the road runs out and the signposts end,
where we come to the edge of today,
be the God of Abraham for us;
send us out upon our way.

*Lord you were our beginning,
the faith that gave us birth.
We look to you, our ending,
our hope for heaven and earth.*

When the coast is left and we journey on
to the rim of the sky and the sea,
be the sailor's friend, be the dolphin Christ,
lead us on to eternity.

When the clouds are low and the wind is strong,
when tomorrow's storm draws near,
be the spirit bird hov'ring overhead
who will take away our fear.

Benediction

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*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: Mary Somerville
Door Duty: Daniel Larsen and Jane Bloore
Music: Guitarists and singers
Readings: Bronwen Strang
Prayers: Daniel Larsen
Sound and Data Projector: John Roxborough
Flowers: Shona Somerville
Morning Tea: Shona and Philip Somerville
Church and Hall Cleaning: Shona and Philip Somerville

Opportunities for ministry week ending 28 January
Door Duty: Mark Ranby and Michael Ovens
Music: Music group
Readings: Judy Rodda
Prayers: Andrew Smith
Sound and Data Projector: Daniel Larsen
Flowers: Shona Somerville
Morning Tea: Abby Smith and Hamish Spencer
Church and Hall Cleaning: Shona and Philip Somerville

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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

27 January ~ Saturday	9.30 a.m.-12 noon: Parish Council retreat, Morrison Lounge
28 January ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
4 February ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, Communion
6 February ~ Tuesday	Waitangi Day – public holiday
7 February ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee, Morrison Lounge
8 February ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge 7.30 p.m.: Christian Development Committee, Morrison Lounge
11 February ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Gregor Macaulay
15 February ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
18 February ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
20 February ~ Tuesday	Material due for March <i>Ōpoho Signal</i>
25 February ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind, Harvest Thanksgiving





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