Ōpoho Presbyterian Church

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3 November 2024 - Pentecost 24 - 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.



Statue of St Aidan, Lindisfarne

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 (sung) 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.

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

Hymn words John Bell and Graham Maule, tune *Bonnie George Campbell* CH4 165

Praise to the Lord for the joys of the earth: cycles of season and reason and birth, contrasts in outlook and landscape and need, challenge of famine, pollution, and greed.

Praise to the Lord for the progress of life: cradle and grave, bond of husband and wife, pains of youth growing and wrinkling of age, questions in step with experience and stage.

Praise to the Lord for his care of our kind: faith for the faithless and sight for the blind, healing, acceptance, disturbance and change, all the emotions through which our lives range.

Praise to the Lord for the people we meet, safe in our homes or at risk in the street: kiss of a lover and friendship's embrace, smile of a stranger and words full of grace.

Praise to the Lord for the carpenter's son, dovetailing worship and work into one: tradesman and teacher and vagrant and friend, source of all life in this world without end.

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 ano 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 Jesus organises some helpers

Song words and music Cecily Sheehy, AA 137

The kingdom is within you, the kingdom is within you. Why do we go searching for the answers of the mighty? The kingdom is within you, the kingdom is within you. Like a little seed planted in the ground, let it grow.

I will set my face to the wind, scatter my handful of seed on high. Needn't have to worry where the great wind takes it; seeds will grow wherever they're planted. All we need is courage to keep on facing the wind. *Refrain*

I will set my hand to the plough; don't look back, it's too late now. The fullness of the kingdom is not quite yet, but the seed of the kingdom is here and now. Don't split the seed; be patient, let it grow. *Refrain*

Please remain standing for the Offertory Prayer.

Offertory Prayer

For the gift of this world,
for the company of one another,
for the gift of your love
and for your company,
we give you thanks, Living God.
Bless these gifts that we bring.
May good result from them.
May your kingdom come.
In the name of Jesus, our Lord, we pray. Amen

Bible Reading Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Aidan of Lindisfarne

Communion Hymn WOV 446 Here, Lord, we take the broken bread

Invitation

The story behind the meal

Prayer

. . . .

Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the Church on earth and in heaven:

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.

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

Responses

Christ's food in our souls,

our food shared like his.

Christ's life in our hands,

our lives shaped by his.

Christ's love in our hearts,

our love warmed through his.

Christ's peace on our path,

our path following his.

A Wee Worship Book Communion A,

Wild Goose Worship Group

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 and music © Daniel L. Schutte Together in Song 658

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord; is it I, Lord?

Here I am Lord; is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night;
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain, I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame; I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

Benediction words Ian Jamieson, tune Ae Fond Kiss CH4 786

May the God of peace go with us as we travel from this place; May the love of Jesus keep us firm in hope and full of grace.

As you leave, please place your empty communion glasses 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: Sanel and Rudie Tomlinson

Music: David Murray Readings: Rudie Tomlinson

Sound and Data Projector: Daniel Larsen

Flowers: Judy Rodda Morning Tea: Judy Rodda and Kirk Hamilton

Church Cleaning: Susan Wall Hall Cleaning: Andrew Smith

Opportunities for ministry week ending 10 November

Door Duty: Jenny Bunce and Hamish Spencer

Music: David Murray Readings: Bronwen Strang Prayers: Andrew Smith

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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**

Coming Events at Opono Presbyterian Church	
10 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Abby Smith,
	Remembrance Sunday
13 November ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee,
	Morrison Lounge
14 November ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
17 November ~ Sunday	8 a.m.: Pastoral visitors' breakfast, Morrison
	Lounge
	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
20 November ~ Wednesday	Material due for December-January <i>Opoho</i>
	Signal
21 November ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, Morrison Lounge
24 November ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, John Roxborogh and
	Gregor Macaulay
1 December ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind,
	Quarterly Communion
8 December ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, Julie Mander and Opoho
	children; followed by Jam Palace in hall
12 December ~ Thursday	2 p.m.: Fellowship Group, Morrison Lounge
13 December ~ Wednesday	7.30 p.m.: Property and Finance Committee,
	Morrison Lounge
15 December ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind –
	Nine Lessons and Carols
	2 p.m.: Sing Your Heart Out – community
	carol singing in church
21 December ~ Thursday	7.30 p.m.: Parish Council, venue TBC
22 December ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind
24 December ~ Tuesday	11.30 p.m.: Christmas Eve service, the Rev.
	Clare Lind
25 December ~ Wednesday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind –
	Christmas Day
29 December ~ Sunday	10 a.m.: Worship, the Rev. Clare Lind

