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Mission Statement

Cashmere Presbyterian Church will make the life and teachings of Jesus Christ known and will share in God's loving purposes of truth, justice, peace and wholeness for all people and the world.

Sunday 19th January 2020

Preacher: Hugh Perry

A very warm welcome to you all, whether this is your first time or thousandth time in church. You are welcome whatever your age, gender, marital status, disability, poverty or wealth, race or sexuality. You are welcome whether you have a deep and mature faith in Christ; are uncertain and still seeking; or have no faith. If you are new to church, please do not hesitate to ask one of those on duty if you have any questions.

You are invited to stay for Morning Tea, which will be served in the Lounge after the service.

Order of Worship

(Congregational responses are in bold italics)

Please stand as the Bible is processed in.

Fellowship Candle lit (*Joyce Lockhart*)

Prayer

Welcome

Hymn 455: Be Thou My Vision

Call to Worship

Frederick A. Styles *Worship For An Easter People* 'Volume 4'
(Ontario: enThusia Enterprises 1990) p.1-26

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

In wonder and amazement, we reflect on the power and energy of the divine word that brought all things into existence.

We feel the warmth of summer and let the beauty of the season enrich our souls.

We reflect on the connection between the creative word and wisdom of spirit in creation and the loving relationship between God and humanity revealed in Jesus Christ.

Together we open ourselves to the invitation of Christ and the generosity of an ongoing loving relationship with the divine.

As part of the diverse and ever-migrating humanity, people have continually escaped from domination and slavery to wander through wildernesses of self-discovery towards lands of promise.

For our place in this island home of mountains, forests, lakes and rivers we share our gratitude and respect our diversity.

In worship we accept the Gospel call of Jesus to be Christ to others and acknowledge our place in the new beginnings offered in each new day.

In reverence we acknowledge together who we are and who we are called to be.

Lament

Words of Assurance

Just as Jesus welcomed the disciples of John to join him on the journey wisdom and transformation.

So the Risen Christ welcomes us to join him in the redemption of our world and opens us to the limitless possibilities of new beginnings

Thanks be to God

Notices

Passing the Peace

Readings, with Introductions (*Reader: Cecile Pierce*)

Isaiah 49:1-7 (p. 712 OT)

John 1: 29-42 (p.119 NT)

Hymn 320: Breath on me, breath of God

Sermon

Reflective Music

Offering

Dedication of the offering (*please stand*)

Prayers for others

O God of mystery beyond our knowing.....

.....We sum up all our prayers by singing the prayer that tradition records as Jesus prayer

Lord's Prayer (sung – WOV 676)

Hymn 672: Where the road runs out

Commissioning and benediction with sung amen

Frederick A. Styles *Worship For An Easter People* 'Volume 3'
(Ontario: enThusia Enterprises 1981) pIV-10

*Please remain standing as the Bible is processed out.
Thank you for sharing in worship this morning. Please come through to the hall
for morning tea.*

Music for Worship

Prelude: *Fugue - G. F. Handel*

Kelvingrove. Aria. Matthew H. Corl.

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.

Processional: *From Jubilate, Gordon Young,*

Offertory: *Tree Song, words and music by Ken Medema.b.1943.*

I saw a tree by the riverside one day as I walked along,
straight as an arrow, and pointing to the sky,
growing tall and strong.

How do you grow so tall and strong?"

I said to the riverside tree.

This is the song my tree friend sang to me.

I have roots growing down to the water.

I have leaves reaching up to the sunshine.

And, the fruit that I bear is the sign of the life in me.

I am shade from the hot summer sundown,

I am nests for the birds of the heaven.

I'm becoming what the maker of trees has meant me to be:

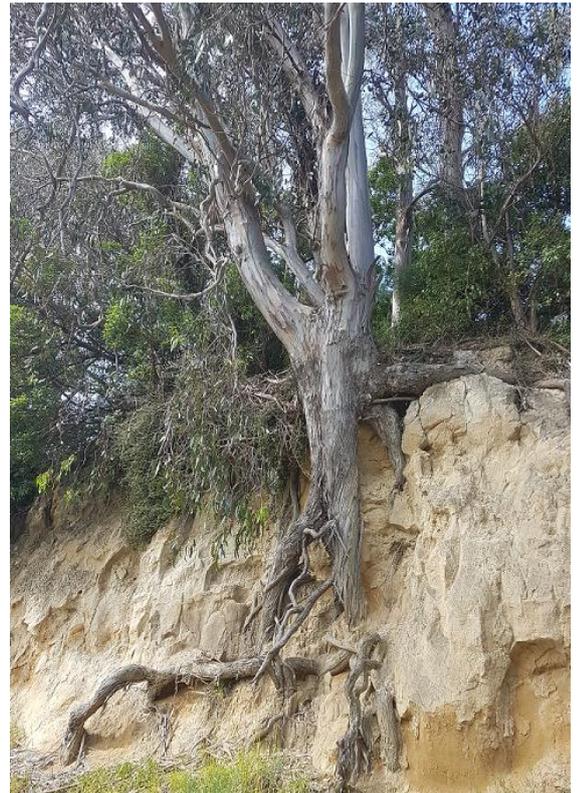
a strong, young, tree.
I saw a tree in the city streets
where buildings blocked the sun.
green and lovely,
I could see it gave joy to everyone.
How do you grow in the city streets?"
I said to my downtown tree.
This is the song that my tree friend sang
to me: *I have roots growing...*

Ken Medema is a completely blind musician. He has composed hosts of challenging songs, often just instantly, summing up a sermon on the Hour of Power, for instance.

This one develops ideas from part of Psalm 1, which describes a happy person.

Postlude: *Trumpet Tune.* Gordon Ellsworth Young, 1919-98.

A notable American organist, he was at First Presbyterian, Detroit, for many years.



Healing Service, with Communion, will be held today at 11.30am.

In every act of worship, the Church celebrates the grace of God who desires wholeness of body, mind and spirit for all people. At a service of healing, we focus on that aspect of God's character. We bring to God our own frailty and brokenness - felt not just in physical illness, but in guilt, anxiety and all the burdens which weigh us down. We also bring our concerns for others and for the world. Above all, we come to the God who knows our needs before we ask, and whose love revealed in Jesus Christ is stronger than suffering and death. All are welcome to attend this service.

Leaving Gift for Silvia

We invite you to contribute towards a leaving gift for Silvia. Any donations can be given in one of these ways:

- Place in a marked envelope in the offerings
- Leave at the office in a marked envelope
- Pay directly to our bank account (020800-0181604-00), reference "Silvia's gift"

Farewell Morning Tea

Following the service on Sunday 9th February there will be a special morning tea to say thank you and farewell to Silvia. Please bring a plate of finger food to share

Book Fair

Our neighbours in the Mount Herbert Anglican Parish are again using our facilities to hold a Book Fair, which will be on Saturday 1st February from 10am-1pm. You are invited to come along and stock up on reading material to support their fundraising. Contact Gail with any enquiries.

Donation Received

We have recently received into the bank account a Rebate Donation from the IRD. Unfortunately, the only reference is the person's IRD number, and it is not one that we have a record of. If you think this might relate to your Rebate Donation claim, please contact Gail and let her know your IRD number, so that we can record and receipt the donation.

Exhibition of paintings by Don McAra

This is being held at the Stoddart Cottage Gallery in Diamond Harbour until Sunday 2nd February, and is open from 10am to 4pm on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only. This exhibition has been really well received locally as it covers mainly subjects around Lyttelton Harbour and surrounds.

You can get to Diamond Harbour by way of Dyers Pass Road and through Governors Bay, or go past Tai Tapu and then through Gebbies Pass (may be fewer cyclist this way!). If you are feeling energetic, take the ferry from Lyttelton – but be aware that there is then a steep walk uphill to get to Stoddart Cottage.

Trade Aid coffee is always available to purchase, and costs \$8 per bag.

Alpine Presbytery Newsletter

The Presbytery Newsletter is produced weekly, and a copy is available on the notice board in the foyer. If you would like to subscribe to receive it directly by email, please speak to Gail.

Alpine Presbytery Gathering

This will be held at St David's Union Church, Ashburton, starting at 2.30pm on Friday 27th March, concluding with shared worship on Sunday 29th March, and is open to anyone to attend. Registration will be opening in the next few weeks, and we will let you know the details when we have them.

Church Rosters

	This week – 19th January	Next week – 26th January
Door Duty	Colin Reid, Jill McAra	Elisabeth Cooch, Cath Dale
Offerings counting	Colin Reid, David Kim	Ian Gray, Jay Lee
Morning Tea & Coffee	Judith & Tony Waters	Janet Aldridge, Kathleen Anderson
Bible Reading	Ellie Wards	Helen Matthews
Candle Lighting	Joyce Lockhart	Elizabeth Taggart
Food Trolley	Peter & Tric Nelson	Shona Lyford

Upcoming Services

26 January	Morning Worship	Silvia Purdie
2 February	Morning Worship	David Troughton
9 February	Morning Worship – Silvia’s final service	Silvia Purdie
16 February	Morning Worship	Michael Greer
	11.30am Healing Service	Anne & Michael