

CASHMERE | PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH



“The Stone Church on the Hill”

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**Mission Statement**

To worship God, follow Christ,  
transforming the world in the  
power of the Spirit

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**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**Trinity Sunday**

*Preacher: David Coster*

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.

**Children are welcome** to sit anywhere in the church, but if they wish to be more active then there are a selection of toys and books at the very back, and also in the Family Room (door between the organ & piano).

There will be **Sunday School and children's activities** today, led by Janice, for those that wish to participate.

Whilst Masks are not required, we ask you to please respect the decisions of others with regard to whether or not they wear one.

Please remember to wear your Name Badges. If you do not have one, please leave a note for Gail and she will print one for you.

You are invited to stay for morning tea after the service.

## Order of Worship

Congregational responses are in bold italics  
Please stand as the Bible is processed in

### Fellowship Candle (*Kathleen Anderson*)

#### Call to worship

To God be all glory, the One who visits us in three persons, the Holy Trinity of hope and love.

***For there is no place which is without you, O God, and no time when you are not there.***

For you are the beginning and the end, the source of all that is in the wonder of the life of the Universe.

***And yet, you take us by the hand and lead us, showing us in Christ that life is stronger than death and love is more powerful than hate.***

In the Holy Spirit, we are gifted, again and again, and are called onwards towards a future in which we are surrounded with love and grace.

***We praise and worship you, O God, for there is no other God like you.***

We sing hymn 65: Holy, holy, holy

#### Greeting

May the grace and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you, with all whom you love, and all whom you pray for here this day.

***And may the grace and peace of our Lord be with you also.***

#### Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Be known among us here, O Holy Spirit of God.

***Reveal to us the wider truths about the nature of God, expanding and enhancing this day and all that lies ahead.***

Loving God, Gracious Christ, Empowering Spirit, what a gift we have to live in relationship.

***To live in relationship with You knowing ourselves accepted, finding ourselves graced, hearing ourselves called.***

To live in relationship within this good creation: blessed together in original goodness, held together in mutual care, joined together in common life.

***To live in relationship with one another: grounded in life-giving community, formed by truth-telling stories, knit with spirit-renewing fellowship.***

In silence, let us reflect on the gift that is ours in you, O Creator, and in all that is made and being made. (*silence*)

## **Words of assurance**

In each person of the Trinity lies grace, in God the loving parent, in Christ Jesus the Human One, and the Holy Spirit who never leaves us on our own.

***Thanks be to God. Amen***

## **Notices**

**We pass the peace of Christ to each other.**

**Time with the children:**

**We sing:** God the Father of Creation      *Tune CH4 113 Cwm Rhonnda*

1. God the Father of Creation,  
source of life and energy,  
your creative love so shapes us  
that we share your liberty.  
Teach us how to use this freedom  
loving children all to be;  
loving children all to be.
2. Jesus Christ our Lord and brother,  
in your cross we see the way  
to be servants for each other,  
caring, suffering every day.  
Teach us patience and obedience  
never from your path to stray;  
never from your path to stray.
3. Holy Spirit, love that binds us  
to the Father and the Son,  
giver of the joy that fills us,  
yours the peace that makes us one,  
teach our hearts to be more open  
as we pray "God's will be done";  
as we pray "God's will be done."
4. Members of our Saviour's body,  
here on earth his life to be,  
though we stand as different people,  
may we share the unity  
of the Father, Son and Spirit,  
perfect love in Trinity;  
perfect love in Trinity.

## Introduction to the Reading

*(Reader: Karen Glithero)*

**Psalm 8** (p.541 OT): This beautiful song of nature proclaims the goodness of all that God has created.

**Matthew 28:16-20** (p.44 NT): The risen Christ bids farewell to his disciples, promising to be with them until the end of the world, blessing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, sending them out into the whole world.

## Prayer before the Sermon

**Sermon:** The Trinity!

Our freewill offering to support the mission and Church of Jesus Christ will be received.

*As God gives to us, so let us give to God and to all those who wait for the love of God in so many ways.*

## Offertory Prayer

***O God, may our generosity and kindness be continually inspired by yours. Receive our gifts now and bless them, we pray, through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray together, Our Father... (sung 676)***

## We celebrate the Lord's Supper

### The Invitation

For those who need,  
The bread waits.  
For those who long,  
the wine lingers.  
For those seeking transforming touch,  
The table beckons.

We are all invited,  
Not because we have faith,  
***But because we trust;***  
Not because we understand,  
***But because we long;***  
Not because we know,  
***But because we are loved;***  
Not because we are well,  
***But because we know our need.***



The table waits,  
And heaven's host calls.  
***Our place is not there,  
But here.***

We are all invited to share this table with our Lord Jesus. He is the host, we are the guests. It is he who bids us welcome.

**We sing:** At this table we remember      *Tune Stuttgart*

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| 1. At this table we remember<br>how and why our faith began:<br>in the pain of crucifixion<br>suffered by the Son of Man.                | 4. Peace we share with one another:<br>as from face to face we turn<br>in our brothers and our sisters<br>Jesus' body we discern.                 |
| 2. Looking up in adoration<br>faith is conscious – he is here!<br>Christ is present with his people,<br>his the call that draws us near. | 5. Bread and wine are set before us;<br>as we eat, we look ahead:<br>we shall dine with Christ in heaven<br>where the kingdom feast is spread.    |
| 3. Heart and mind we each examine:<br>if with honesty we face<br>all our doubt, our fear and failure,<br>then we can receive his grace.  | 6. Nourished by the bread of heaven,<br>faith and strength and courage<br>grow -<br>so to witness, serve and suffer,<br>out into the world we go. |

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## **Consecration**

### **Communion Prayers**

...And we speak to these places as we journey with all the angels singing:

***Holy, holy, holy***

***God of power and might***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory***

***Hosanna in the highest!***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God***

***Hosanna in the highest!***

### **The Distribution of the elements**

### **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**We sing:** Sent forth by God's blessing (Tune *The Ash Grove*)

1. Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from his table take leave.  
The supper is ended: may now be extended  
the fruits of his service in all who believe.  
The seed of his teaching, our hungry soul reaching,  
shall blossom in action for all humankind.  
His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us  
to work for his kingdom, his purpose to find.
2. With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living  
the tasks of our everyday life we will face,  
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing as neighbours all those of each race.  
One feast that has fed us, one light that has led us,  
unite us as one in his life that we share.  
Then may all the living, with praise and thanksgiving,  
give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

Omer Westendorf

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## **Benediction**

## **Threefold Amen**

*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.*



## ***Special Congregational Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> June***

The Cashmere Parish Council give notice of a special congregational meeting to be held after church on Sunday 18th June. The purpose of the meeting is to deal with two issues:

1. Insurance options - we are required by the national church to indicate our preferred option for insurance cover by June 23. If we are to have anything other than full replacement cover there is a need for congregational approval. The options will be fully explained at the meeting so that the congregation can make their decision.

2. The future of church house - we are facing large maintenance costs that will seriously drain our financial reserves. The Parish Council wants the congregation to consider options for the future of Church House. There are some documents that outline the issues and options more clearly; printed copies of these are available in the main foyer.

**New Rosters** for the period to 17 September have now been prepared and emailed/posted out. If you need a printed copy, there are a few available in the church entrance today, or ask Gail during the week.

**Cashmere Connection** has been printed. Feel free to take a copy – or maybe a couple to share with friends and neighbours. It has also been loaded to our website, under the “News” page.

**Soup Lunch – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June:** Join us for a fundraising Soup Lunch. Lynley Fraer-Wright’s family are visiting Vanuatu and will take on our behalf a gift for the Onesu High School’s 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Cashmere Presbyterian Quiet Day** at Te Waiora House, Hororata. If you are thinking of attending, please ask Anne Shave for an information sheet today. We shall share transport from the church, leaving at 8:30am and returning before 5pm. If you are willing to be a driver, please let Anne know. What’s involved? After an initial session spent together, exploring the theme “Draw Near,” optional activities will be offered during the day. If you wish simply to come and rest in front of the log burner, then that is fine, too. The cost is \$20 per person. Morning and afternoon teas will be provided. Please bring your lunch, a Bible, a pen, and journal (if you have one). You are also welcome to bring any craft activities you enjoy.

**World Vision and Work with Children:** On Family Service Sundays we take up a “white bowl” collection to support both our own work with children and youth and the work of World Vision - in particular our sponsored child, Vory Vang in Cambodia.

Family Service is next week, and we are grateful for any donation that you are able to give through this collection.

### **South Library and Service Centre building update - May 2023**

The concept design for a new build will be presented to councillors alongside information about other options, including repair, ahead of a final Council decision on how to proceed. The resilience and lifespan of the facility will be a big factor in

any decision-making, along with energy efficiency, comfort, and operational and maintenance costs.

You can see the design at <https://www.ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/The-Council/Future-Projects/South-Library-Concept-Design-v2.pdf> or in the foyer at the South Library and Service Centre. You can leave feedback on the design at <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Tn7JRY293E29bi1i2qKgEf0B4ngB17IA7v3vyqztnBUQjBTTUJMOTM5VUIOOUdZOUNDSkhGMUZGTS4u> right up to Monday 26 June. This feedback will help shape the final design and how it functions.

**The Alpine Presbytery Newsletter** is produced weekly, and a copy is on the notice board in the foyer. Speak to Gail if you would like to subscribe to receive it directly.



Tuesday 6 June	9.00am	Craft Group in Kowhai Lounge
	11.00am	Forum
Thursday 8 June	10.00am	Pre-School Music
	7.30pm	Bible Study (at Kathleen's house)
Sunday 11 June	10.00am	Morning Worship
		Soup Lunch

<b>Church Rosters</b>	<b>This week: 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Next week: 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Door Duty</b>	Kathleen Anderson, Ann Jennings, Ian Gray	Peter & Tric Nelson, Sue Leadbetter
<b>Morning Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Noelene Kent, Lyn Cordner	Cecile Pierce, Kathleen Anderson
<b>Bible Reading</b>	Karen Glithero	Jill McAra
<b>Candle Lighting</b>	Kathleen Anderson	Robin McKee
<b>Food Trolley</b>	Helen Matthews	Jill McAra
<b>Money Counting (Monday)</b>	Bruce McAlister	Gordon Dewar

**Leading Worship over the next few weeks:**

11 June	Hamish Galloway
18 June	David Coster
25 June	Anne Shave
6 August	David Coster

