

CASHMERE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



“The Stone Church on the Hill”

Mission Statement

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

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Sunday 25th October 2020

Theme: So that we may become wise

Preacher: Dr Anne Shave

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 in bold italics
Please stand as the Bible is processed in.*

Lighting the Fellowship Candle

(Elisabeth Cooch)

Call to worship

Hymn 11 (ii): Let us with a gladsome mind
praise the Lord, for he is kind

**Prayers of thanksgiving and confession
concluding with the Lord's Prayer (sung
– 676 in the hymn book)**

Notices

We pass the peace of Christ

Hymn 46: O God our help in ages past

Congregational reading of Psalm 90:1-6, 12 *God's Eternity and Human Frailty*

(Those on the organ side of the church, please read the odd-numbered verses. Those on the pulpit side, please read the even-numbered verses.)

A Prayer by Moses, the man of God.

¹ O Lord, you have always been our home.

² Before you created the hills
or brought the world into being,
you were eternally God,
and will be God forever.

³ You tell us to return to what we were;
you change us back to dust.

⁴ A thousand years to you are like one day;
they are like yesterday, already gone,
like a short hour in the night.

⁵ You carry us away like a flood;
we last no longer than a dream.
We are like weeds that sprout in the morning,

⁶ that grow and burst into bloom,
then dry up and die in the evening.

**All: ¹² *Teach us how short our life is,
so that we may become wise.***

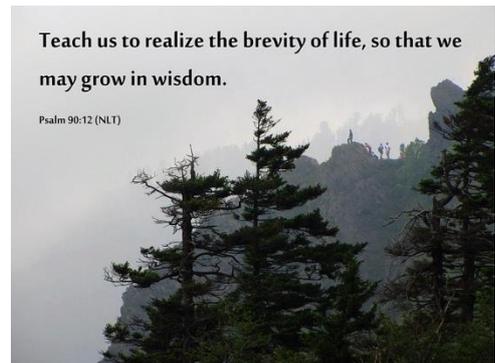
Time with children and young people - please come to the front if you would like to do so.

Bible readings (*David Troughton*)

- ❖ Matthew 22:34-40 (p.33 NT)
- ❖ Deuteronomy 34 (p.206 OT)

Sermon: *"So that we may become wise"*

Affirmation of Faith: We are a pilgrim people
We believe in one God,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
We proclaim Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen One,
confessing him as Lord
to the glory of God the Father.
In the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
We acclaim Jesus as the Lord of the church,



***the Head over all things,
the beginning of a new creation.
We acknowledge that we live and work
between the time of Christ's death and resurrection
and the final consummation of all things
which he will bring.
We are a pilgrim people,
always on the way towards the promised goal;
on the way, Christ feeds us with word and sacrament,
and we have the gift of the Spirit
in order that we may not lose the way.
We will live and work within the faith and unity
of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
bearing witness to that unity
which is both Christ's gift and his will.
We affirm that every member of the church
is engaged to confess the faith of Christ crucified.
Together with all the people of God,
we will serve the world for which Christ died,
and we await with hope the day of the Lord Jesus.***

~ adapted from the *Basis of Union of the Uniting Church in Australia*. Posted on David Beswick's **Worship and Preaching** website <http://www.beswick.info/>

Hymn 464: Put thou thy trust in God

Prayers for others (*Kathleen Anderson*)

Offering: 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. If it is comfortable for you to do so, please stand to join in the prayer of dedication, and remain standing for the hymn that follows:

***God of all goodness and grace, receive the gifts we offer;
and grant that our whole life may give you glory and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Hymn 49: O God of Bethel, by whose hand your people still are fed

Let us join together in our concluding prayer:

***Support us, Lord, all the day long,
until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes,
the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over,
and our work done;
then Lord, in your mercy, give us safe lodging,
a holy rest and peace at the last.***

We sing: Now unto him

Now unto him, who is able to keep,
able to keep you from falling,
And present you faultless before the presence of his glory,
with exceeding joy.
To the only wise God, our saviour,
be glory and majesty,
dominion and power, both now and forever,
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.*

At home: Perhaps this week you might like to think more about, and pray with, Psalm 90. If you would like to be led slowly through the passage, and you have access to the internet, some of you might like to listen [Psalm 90:1-6, & 12 Slow Word Lectio Divina \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=To9u-aFaFNI\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=To9u-aFaFNI) on YouTube. (This takes 11 minutes.)



Supporting Ohau

Our Moderator, Rev Barry Ayers, has been speaking with those supporting people who've lost everything with the Lake Ohau fire. They're looking at community building and would love garden vouchers to beautify the village again. There is nothing like a beautiful garden to support good mental health in tough times. The best way to do this to support the community is to send either a Mitre 10 voucher or a Plantarama voucher to Lisa Mills, c/o Pukaki Cooperating Church, PO Box 43, Twizel. (Please add your name and contact details to the voucher as they would like to thank you personally.)

St Martins Women's Group

The St Martins women's group has invited Anna Button to speak to us about the work of Hagar on **Wednesday 28th October from 1.30pm** at St Martins Presbyterian Church, 43 St Martins Rd. If you would like some early information there is a

website: hagar.org.nz. When this was arranged early in the year, we decided to give donations to Hagar of a gold coin [or more!] and contributions are welcome. Contact Margaret Shanks 366 8936 for further information.

Offering Envelopes for the next six months have been prepared and are available for you to take today.

Light Party

Hoon Hay Presbyterian Church, 5 Downing Street, Hoon Hay, are holding a Light Party **4pm to 6pm Saturday 31st October**. Entertainment for the whole family: Bouncy Castle, Activities, Games, Rock Painting, Spot Prizes, Sausage Sizzle, Coffee Cart and a Jumble Sale. A positive alternative to Halloween. For more information, please email office@hoonhaychurch.co.nz.



ONE PART ART ONE PART FASHION

A celebration of the works of Fanny Buss

**St Cuthbert's Church, 8 Governors Bay-Teddington Road,
Governors Bay. 24th, 25th, 26th, 31st October & 1st November**

A display of works by Fanny Cresswell, aka Fanny Buss, including dresses produced by Fanny Buss Studios, paintings and books she illustrated. Frances lived for many years in Governors Bay and is buried at St Cuthbert's.

Laidlaw College open Night: Wednesday 28 October 2020

A great opportunity for anyone interested in knowing more about Laidlaw has to offer, including the new Christchurch opportunity to do the Diploma of Christian Education (Primary Teaching). If someone you know is pondering whether it is time to go deeper with God or gain qualifications for a vocation in ministry, education, or counselling, then please pass this information on.

Volunteers For St Luke's

St Luke's is a Social Centre for people with psychological, emotional and social needs. The group currently meets at the Bowling Club in Sydenham Park (near corner of Durham and Brougham St), but is urgently in need of more Volunteers. To find out more, contact John on 3429163.

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.

Church Rosters	This week – 25 October	Next week – 1st November
Door Duty	Warren & Andrea Campbell, Robin McKee	Peter & Tric Nelson, Annette McAdam
Morning Tea & Coffee	Janet Aldridge, Kathleen Anderson	Cecile pierce, Shirley Wilson
Bible Reading	David Troughton	Judy Newbury
Candle Lighting	Elisabeth Cooch	Ann Jennings
Food Trolley	Jill McAra	Helen Matthews
Money Counting	(Tuesday) David Troughton	(Monday) Shona Lyford



Wonders from the Wardrobe

Wednesday 28th October, 7pm

at the

Cashmere Presbyterian Centre

2 MacMillan Avenue

A Fundraising Clothing Evening—update your wardrobe with some “new to you” clothing items.

Ladies’ tops, skirts, trousers, dresses & accessories, plus a selection of Children’s clothing items.

Entry will be \$5.00, with a request to bring at least two garments with you.

START CLEARING YOUR WARDROBES NOW!

Contact: Cath (331 7984) or the Church Office (332 7129)