



“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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Order of Worship for Sunday 4th October 2020 World Communion Sunday

*Theme: Mission in Absence – Holding our
Global Partners in our Hearts*

*Preacher: Rev Phil King,
Global Mission Coordinator, PCANZ*



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.

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

Lighting the Fellowship Candle
(Annette McAdam)

Welcome to Worship

Opening Hymn: Christ is the world's true light (*tune: Nun Danket*)

1. Christ is the world's true light,
its captain of salvation,
the daystar clear and bright
of every race and nation;
new life, new hope awakes,
where people own his sway:
from bondage freedom breaks,
and night is turned to day.
2. In Christ all races meet,
their ancient feuds forgetting,
the whole round world complete,
from sunrise to its setting:
when Christ is throned as Lord,
we shall forsake our fear,
to ploughshare beat the sword,
to pruning-hook the spear.
3. One Lord, in one great name
unite us all who own you;
cast out our pride and shame
that hinder to enthrone you;
the world has waited long,
has travailed long in pain:
come, heal its ancient wrong,
come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959)

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Prayers of Praise and Confession

Notices

Passing the Peace

We offer each other the 'right hand of fellowship' as a sign that all are welcome and accepted by God.

Bible Readings (Reader: Cecile Pierce)

John 1:1-5,14 (p.118 NT)

Philippians 1:1-11 (p.245 NT)

Children come to the front

All-age time

Hymn: I have a dream

1. 'I have a dream', a man once said,
'where all is perfect peace;
where men and women,
black and white,
stand hand in hand, and all unite
in freedom and in love,
in freedom and in love.'
2. But in this world of bitter strife
the dream can often fade;
reality seems dark as night,
we catch but glimpses of the light
Christ sheds on humankind,
Christ sheds on humankind.
3. Fierce persecution, war, and hate
are raging everywhere;
God calls us now to pay the price
through struggles and through sacrifice
of standing for the right,
of standing for the right.
4. So dream the dreams and sing the songs,
but never be content;
for thoughts and words don't
ease the pain:
unless there's action, all is vain;
faith proves itself in deeds,
faith proves itself in deeds.
5. Lord, give us vision, make us strong,
help us to do your will;
don't let us rest until we see
your love throughout humanity
uniting us in peace,
uniting us in peace.

Pamela J Pettitt
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Sermon: Mission in Absence – Holding our Global Partners in our Hearts

Hymn: Brother, Sister, let me serve you

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
we are travellers on the road,
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear,
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping,
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you,
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love, and agony.
6. Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

Words: Richard Gillard
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Communion (see separate sheet)

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. Donations for the Food Bank are placed in a supermarket trolley.

Dedication of the offering (please stand)

Prayers for others

Hymn: When day you gave us, Lord, is ending

1. When day you gave us, Lord, is ending,
the dark will fall at your behest.
Now hear our morning hymns ascending,
your praise will sanctify our rest.
2. We thank you that your Church unsleeping,
while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping,
nor rests from worship day or night.
3. As o'er each continent and island
the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent,
nor dies the song of praise away.
4. The sun that bids us rest is waking
your children 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
your wondrous deeds resound on high.
5. So be it, Lord! your throne shall never,
like earth's proud empires, pass away;
your Kingdom stands and grows for ever,
till all your creatures own your sway.

John Ellerton (1826-1893)

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Blessing

Amen, amen, amen (sung)

*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, World Communion Sunday

Preludes:

From Philippines/Sri Lanka.

Father in heaven, grant to your children mercy and blessing, songs never ceasing.

Love to unite us, grace to redeem us, Father in heaven, Father, our God.
The Lord's Prayer (from West Indies/United Kingdom)

Father God in heaven, Lord most high:

Hear your children's prayer, Lord most high:
Hallowed be your name, Lord most high- O lord, hear our prayer.
May your kingdom come here on earth; may your will be done here on earth,
As it is on earth, as it is in heaven- O Lord, hear our prayer.

From Germany: Vater unser im Himmelreich. Chorale Prelude, Max Reger.)

Forgive us all our sins, we pray; taking all their burdening guilt away,
as we the sins of those forgive who us by their offences grieve.
When testing comes on every hand,Lord, give us strength that we may stand.

Martin Luther/Catherine Winkworth.

From West Indies

Our Father, which are in heaven, Hallowed-a-be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done. Hallowed-a –be thy name.
On the earth as it is in heaven, Hallowed-a –be thy name.

From South Africa, Xhosa.

Your will be done on earth, O Lord. (x 5)

Processional: Let All The World In Every Corner Sing. Basil Harwood.

Offertory: He hōnoria, kororia ki te Atua.

Honour and glory to God, peace on earth, goodwill to all people.
Lord, develop a new heart inside all of us. Instil in us your sacred Spirit,
Help us, guide us to really learn the words in this book. For ever and ever,
Amen.

Based on Luke 2:14, the text for Marsden's first sermon, Christmas Day, 1814.

Communion: E te Matua. Bill Bennet

E te Matua a te Atua (x3), noho mai i o tatou ngākau.
E te Tama a te Atua, arahina tatou katoa.
E te Wairua Tapu, Atua, whakaū te Hāhi katoa.
E te Matua, Tama, Wairua Tapu, haere mai, haere mai.

Translation only, not to be sung

God the Father, abide in our hearts, God the Son, guide us all,
God the Holy Spirit, fill our lives. Father, Son, Holy Spirit, come, come.

Postlude: Je louerai l'Éternal de tout mon cœur. Claude Fraysse , Psalm 9:1-2

Je louerai l'Éternal de tout mon cœur,
je raconterai toutes tes merveilles, Je chanterai ton nom.
Je louerai l'Éternal de tout mon cœur, je ferai de toi le sujet de ma joie. Alleluia.

Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart,
O God, I will tell the wonders of your ways, And glorify your name.
Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.
In you I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia.

(v.1 Praise. v.2. Love. v.3 Serve.)



Plantarama – Saturday 17th October

We have a clip board going round today asking for your help at this fundraising event. Please put your name down if you can help in any of these areas:

- Setting up tables on Thursday afternoon.
- Final set-up during the day on Friday (from 9.30am)
- Help on the day with manning stalls
- Help with pack down at the end of the event.

If you have any questions, please speak to Tric Nelson.

Wonders from the Wardrobe - Wednesday 28th October, 7pm

Entry will be \$5.00, with a request to bring at least two garments with you. A Fundraising Clothing Evening—update your wardrobe with some “new to you” clothing items. Donations of good quality gently used ladies’ and children’s clothing invited. Contact Cath on 331 7984.

Cashmere Connection

The latest edition has been printed and is available at the back of the church. Please take your copies for delivery.

Rosters

The rosters for the period 1 October to 10 January have been prepared, and printed copies are in addressed envelopes at the back of the church. Please take yours, with our thanks for your help.

One part art, one part fashion, works of Fanny Buss

From 24th October, St Cuthbert’s Church in Governors Bay will be holding a display of works by Francis Cresswell (aka Fanny Buss), including dresses produced by Fanny Buss studios, paintings and the books she illustrated, charting her involvement in the arts and her appreciation for local history.

In order to properly display the dresses, we need a few dressmakers dummies – do you have one you could lend? The dresses are all small, so the dummies need to be able to accommodate dress size 12 or smaller. Please speak to Gail if you are able to assist.

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.

Christian World Service

An invitation attend the Christian World Service Supporters' Council: 7:30 - 9:30pm, Friday 30 October, in the Wananga Room, Aldersgate at 309 Durham St, Christchurch or by Zoom



'Who are we? Learning from the Past, Looking to the Future'

Speaker: Professor David Tombs, Centre for Theology and Public Issues, University of Otago.

People are welcome after 6pm for refreshments from 6.30 – 7.30 pm.

You can join the conversation and meet CWS Board and staff members at the Aldersgate Centre in Christchurch, beginning with refreshments in the lounge. We will welcome three new Board members at this meeting. The entrance to the Aldersgate car park is from Chester Street West.

Or you can join the Council by Zoom. If you would like to participate by Zoom, please register and we will send you the link to the meeting. Our Zoom has limited capacity so register early to assure yourself a "place" on the call. Please, register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvcOyhrTsqGdfMgMUXdSkXe8ACYRCvQP3i>

RSVP and Register by Friday 23 October to cws@cws.org.nz or phone 03 366 9274. *In the event of a move to COVID 19 levels 3 or 4, the Council will be fully run by Zoom.*

CWS: Supporters' Council representative on the Board

There is a position on the Board for a representative of the Supporters' Council. The Constitution requires that the person must have provided financial support for CWS's work in the past two years and be seconded by someone who has also fulfilled this requirement. The Board is keen to increase the ethnic diversity and lower the average age of Board members.

To apply candidates need to send a covering letter outlining why they want to be on the Board and what skills and experience they will bring to it, together with a CV to pauline.mckay@cws.org.nz, National Director. We require the names of two referees one of whom should be the person nominating the candidate. Nominations must be received by Friday 16 October and will not be accepted from the "floor".

Church Rosters	This week – 4 October	Next week – 11 October
Door Duty	Kathleen Anderson, Tony Waters, Colin Reid	David & Jane Kim, Janet Aldridge
Morning Tea & Coffee	Lyn Cordner, Noelene Kent	Annette McAdam, Jill McAra
Bible Reading	Cecile Pierce	<i>Family Service</i>
Candle Lighting	Annette McAdam	Elizabeth Taggart
Food Trolley	Barbara & Richard Leete	Annette McAdam
Money Counting (Monday)	Kathleen Anderson	Bruce McAlister