



"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 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

*Sermon Series: Living Long in the Land*

*Theme: Selfless Service*

*Preacher: Hamish Galloway*



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.

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

A request to 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.*

### Lighting the Fellowship Candle (Shirley Wilson)

### Welcome to Worship

### Opening Song: The Servant King (Graham Kendrick)

1. From heaven you came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, your glory veiled;  
not to be served but to serve,  
and give your life that we might live.  
*This is our God, the Servant King,  
he calls us now to follow him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.*
2. There in the garden of tears,  
my heavy load he chose to bear;  
his heart with sorrow was torn,  
“Yet not my will but yours,” he said.
3. Come see his hands and his feet,  
the scars that speak of sacrifice,  
hands that flung stars into space  
to cruel nails surrendered.
4. So let us learn how to serve,  
and in our lives enthrone him;  
each other’s needs to prefer,  
for it is Christ we’re serving.

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)  
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### Responsive Psalm (Psalm 51)

***Be merciful to me, O God,  
because of your constant love.***

Because of your great mercy  
wipe away my sins!

<sup>2</sup> Wash away all my evil  
and make me clean from my sin!

<sup>10</sup> ***Create a pure heart in me, O God,  
and put a new and loyal spirit in me.***

<sup>11</sup> ***Do not banish me from your presence;  
do not take your holy spirit away from me.***

<sup>12</sup> Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation,  
and make me willing to obey you.

## **Prayer of Praise and Confession**

### **Lord's Prayer (WOV 676)**

## **Notices**

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

## **Children's Time**

**Song 669:** I am the light of the world

**Readings** (*Reader: Helen Wells*)

Philippians 2:1-11 (p.245 NT)

John 12: 20-33 (p.135 NT)

**Sermon:** Selfless Service

**Hymn 505:** Jesus Calls us o'er the tumult

**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*)

## **Prayer of Intercession**

**Song:** 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.

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### **Benediction (from St Patrick's Breastplate)**

*I arise today, through  
God's strength to pilot me,  
God's might to uphold me,  
God's wisdom to guide me,  
God's eye to look before me,  
God's ear to hear me,  
God's word to speak for me,  
God's hand to guard me,  
God's shield to protect me,  
  
Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,*

*Christ in every ear that hears me.  
I arise today*

**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.*



**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.

**World Vision and Work with Children:** Thank you to all who contributed to the "white bowl" collection last week. We raised \$107 towards World Vision and our work with children.

**Think Spring bulbs:** Yes, you can order them now and have them ready for planting in your garden and patio pots. Imagine the joy and beauty it will bring to your garden. They also make a nice gift to give away as a birthday present or for celebrating some special occasion. Flyers with order forms are available in the main foyer – please take one for yourself, and maybe some for friends or neighbours.



Advance notice that the next Coffee Morning will be held on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April**, and will be at the café Janice & Jay have just bought, which is on the ground floor of the Harcourt's building on the corner of Ilam Road & Clyde Road.

**Radio Rhema needs help:** As with all media outlets, Rhema Media is experiencing difficult financial times at the moment. If you would like more information about how you could help please talk to Rosemary Troughton

**Te Waioara House Christian Retreat Centre:** *for Time Out – Restoration – Growth*  
Te Waioara House offers affordable accommodation in a beautiful and extensive rural setting. Just outside Hororata, offering four twin and one double ensuite bedrooms,

a large lounge with log burner, and dining room, suitable for meeting, along with a chapel that can seat up to thirty. Guests are welcome to visit for a day, or for longer. Catered and uncatered options available.

Gift vouchers available.

Donations enable the work of Te Waiora Christian Retreat House to continue.

Our aim is to be a place of peace and refuge for those who need to recharge their batteries, emotionally, physically, or spiritually.

Contact 027 406 0503 or (03) 318 0789. Email: [tewaiorahouse@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tewaiorahouse@xtra.co.nz)

***Come and Sing:*** John Rutter's *Requiem*, with the Christchurch City Choir, at Knox Church, Bealey Ave, Saturday 23rd March. Workshop 10am-12pm and 1pm-2:30pm. Concert at 3pm. For more information see [www.citychoir.co.nz](http://www.citychoir.co.nz). Tickets to the 3pm concert are available on Humanitix and very reasonably priced at \$25 and \$15 for general admission.



Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	11.00am	Prayer Group <i>at the Troughton's home</i>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Quilts & Crafts Group (Rata Lounge)
	11.00am	Forum (Family Room)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	10.00am	Pre-School Music
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	Morning Worship

<b>Church Rosters</b>	<b>This week: 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Next week: 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>
<b>Door Duty</b>	Elisabeth Cooch, Ira, Cecile Pierce	Sue Leadbetter, Ann Jennings, Tony Waters
<b>Morning Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Elizabeth Taggart, Margaret Ford	Murray & Patricia Heath
<b>Bible Reading</b>	Helen Wells	Ian Gray
<b>Candle Lighting</b>	Shirley Wilson	Elizabeth Taggart
<b>Food Trolley</b>	Ann Jennings	Elisabeth Cooch
<b>Money Counting</b>	Kathleen Anderson	Shona Lyford

