

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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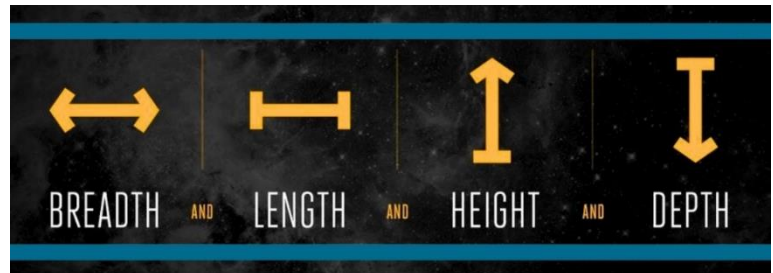
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**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

*Theme: Expansive Love*  
*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.

**Before the service today, Alex Dy will play:** *Alexander's parents were married in this church, and he and his twin brothers were baptized in this church; he is the current holder of an Organ Scholarship, a pupil of Russell Kent- who also grew up in this church.*

# Order of Worship

*Please stand as the Bible is processed in*

## Lighting the Fellowship Candle (*Elisabeth Cooch*)

### Welcome

#### Call to Worship (*based on Ephesians 4*)

Loving God,  
we come to you in worship today.

***Strengthen us in our innermost being  
and dwell in our hearts through faith.***

May we be rooted and grounded in Christ,  
whose love is beyond all knowledge.

***Help us comprehend even the smallest part  
of the beautiful mystery of your grace.***

Grant that we may experience the fullness  
of your presence with us.

### Opening Hymn 148: Love Divine All Loves Excelling

### 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.*

### Children's Time

#### Song: Wide, wide as the ocean

Wide, wide as the ocean,  
High as the Heaven above;  
Deep, deep as the deepest sea  
Is my Savior's love.  
I, though so unworthy,  
Still am a child of His care,  
For His word teaches me  
That His love reaches me everywhere.

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#### Readings (*Reader: David White*)

Ephesians 3: 14-21 (p.241 NT)

John 6:1-21 (p. 125 NT)

## **Sermon:** Expansive Love

### **Hymn:** Here is love vast as the ocean

1. Here is love, vast as the ocean  
Loving kindness as the flood,  
When the prince of life, our ransom,  
Shed for us his precious blood.  
Who his love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing his praise?  
He can never be forgotten  
Throughout heaven's eternal days.
2. On the Mount of Crucifixion  
Fountains opened deep and wide;  
Through the floodgates of God's mercy  
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.  
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,  
Poured incessant from above,  
And heaven's peace and perfect justice  
Kissed a guilty world in love.
3. Let us all his love accepting,  
Love him ever all our days;  
Let us seek his kingdom only  
And our lives be to his praise.  
He alone shall be our glory  
Nothing in the world we see;  
He has cleansed and sanctified us,  
He himself has set us free.
4. In his truth he does direct me,  
By his Spirit through his word;  
And his grace my need is meeting,  
As I trust in him, my Lord.  
All his fullness he is pouring  
In his love and power in me,  
Without measure, full and boundless,  
As I yield myself to Thee.

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### **Offering** (during which Alex Dy will play)

*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 for Others and Lord's Prayer** sung by Mithila Chacko

**Hymn 105:** The Great Love of God

**Benediction**

**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 - 28<sup>th</sup> July**

Organists: Alexander Dy, David Troughton.

Preludes: Adagio from First Violin Concerto, Max Bruch, arr Kenneth Gange  
Prelude, from Little Prelude and Fugue 4, BWV 556, J. S. Bach.  
The Poet Speaks. Robert Schumann.

Processional: from Trumpet Tune, based on "Raison", Gordon Young.

Offertory: Prelude, Henry Coleman.

Postlude: Rondo, based on an Irish Jig. Gordon Young



The next Coffee Morning will be on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July**, 10.30am, at the café at Nazareth House. All welcome.

***Bible study group:*** The next Bible study series will be held over four Thursday evenings in August, beginning August 1st, 7:30-9pm, in Anne Shave's home. We will be using a study entitled Jonah, the Reluctant Prophet. Please speak to Anne if you would like to attend. You would be most welcome, even if you can't make it to every one of the four sessions.

## **Rosters**

Rosters for the three months starting 25<sup>th</sup> August will be prepared soon. Those already on the rosters, can you please let me know (1) whether you are happy to continue on the rosters, and which ones, and (2) any dates you are not available.

**New helpers would be welcome!** If you are not already but would be willing to go on to one or more of the rosters, please let me know. Details of the duties are below, to give you an idea of what you would be signing up for – but feel free to ask anyone currently doing those duties what is involved.

Contact Gail in the church office – ph 332 7129, email [cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz)

<b>Duty</b>	<b>Brief overview of tasks involved</b>
Door Duty	Arrive by 9.30am; ensure heaters, lights, sound system etc are on; greet people at the doors and hand out the Bulletins; take up the offerings; tidy up and close up at the end of the service
Morning Tea	Set up before the service starts; be ready to serve the tea/coffee etc. straight after the service; tidy up and put away at the end.
Bible Reading	Read the allocated Bible passages during the service
Candle Lighting	Read out the prayer during the lighting of the fellowship candle
Food Trolley	Collect the food offerings on the Sunday, or early in the week, and take them to the City Mission
Money Counting	Monday mornings, around 10am, sit with Gail whilst she counts the Offerings from Sunday.

## **Annual Report & Cashmere Connection**

Both of these publications are due out late August. Please let Gail have your reports for the Annual Report by **9<sup>th</sup> August**.

Items for the Cashmere Connection need to be at the office **by 16<sup>th</sup> August**

## **Appeals**

**Christian World Service Operation Refugee:** a vital initiative providing essential aid to refugees from Palestine, Syria and Ukraine. The plight of refugees in these regions is dire, with many facing severe hardships daily. Global funding has been falling and families are facing higher prices and less support. Working together with our local partners, we can help provide refugees with food, education and medical care that they urgently need. Visit the CWS website here <https://www.operationrefugee.nz/> for more details.

**World Vision Life-Saving Food Aid:** Hunger is killing children. Emergency food ration cuts leave hungry children without food for day. World Vision have committed to raise \$500,000 before 31 August to rush life-saving food to children like Muad in Somalia before it's too late. Every \$1 you give will provide \$20 worth of urgent food aid to children whose lives are on the line. Visit <https://www.worldvision.org.nz/> to find out more and to donate.

