Our Mission: To Know, Enjoy and Share Christ St Columba Presbyterian Church



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Call to Worship

Hymn Intro

Reading Luke 1:46 - 49 Christine

Hymn Tell out my soul (all stand)

Prayer

Hymn Intro

Reading Psalm 103:1 - 5 Christine

Hymn Praise my Soul the King of Heaven (remain seated)

Notices

Offering/Dedication

Hymn Intro

Hymn Lord of the dance (remain seated)

Hymn Intro Janet

Choir All my hope on God is founded.

Hymn Intro

Reading Matthew 6:33 Aiden

Hymn Seek ye first MP (remain seated)

Message

Hymn Intro

Reading Psalm 42:1-3, 5 – 6 Maria

Hymn As the deer (remain seated)

Hymn Intro

Reading Proverbs 3:5 - 8 Sally

Hymn Be Thou my vision (remain seated)

Prayers for Others with sung Lord's Prayer Neville

Hymn Intro

Hymn Thine be the glory (all stand)

Blessing

Sung Benediction Praise God from whom all blessings flow

THE COMING WEEK (4th)

Monday

Tuesday 10.00 am Justice of the Peace

1.30 pm Makoha Rest Home

Wednesday 2.00 pm Home group Neville and Glynnis

Thursday 9.45am Bible Study in creche
Friday 9.00 am Prayer meeting in crèche

10.00 am Cuppa & Chat in lounge

Sunday 9.15 am Prayers

Basement Boutique hours Wed/Thurs/Fri 10.00 am—4.00 pm: Saturday 10.00am-1.00pm

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Sandra is away for some annual leave 30th June, 7th and 14th July.

Roster for 30th June with Rev Jenny Doyle

Elder on Duty: Elizabeth Hockly and Keith Bradbury

Musicians: Carla and Alison

Prayers for Others: Ted Parker

Bible Reading: Ian Burns

Sound: Ken Camp

Door: Romy and Barbara Security: Mary Findlay

Night Watchman: Paul Warner Prayer at front duty: Pam

Morning Tea: 23/30 David, Rita and Sally

Mid Week Prayer and

Communion on the 3rd of July.

9.40am for Prayer

10am for Communion

10.30am Morning Tea

If you can't do your duty, please let the office know. Thank you.

If you would like to do your giving through the internet please use the following ANZ bank account with your giving number in the reference.



Prayer Chain : We are available to pray for you, your friends and families in your joys and concerns. Please contact Glynnis Wilson (576 4814) or the office.

Top 10 Oldest Hymns Still Sung Today Hymns stand as the heart of Christian worship, carrying forth the echoes of faith through centuries. These melodious chants encapsulate the essence of Christianity, portraying both timeless narratives and profound theological reflections. Here, we will explore the top ten oldest hymns that have survived the test of time and continue to inspire believers today.

- **1. "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"** Dating back to the 8th or 9th century, this Advent hymn has been enchanting the faithful for over a millennium with its stirring melody and poignant longing for the coming of Christ.
- **2. "Phos Hilaron"** Also known as "Hail Gladdening Light," is one of the earliest known Christian hymns outside the Bible, traced back to the 3rd or 4th century. Still used in Orthodox Vespers, its lyrics illuminate the theme of Christ as the Light of the world.
- **3. "The Day of Resurrection"** Written by St. John of Damascus in the 8th century, this hymn rejoices in Christ's victory over death. It's traditionally sung in Orthodox churches during Easter, the celebration of the Resurrection.
- **4.** "All Creatures of Our God and King" Based on "Canticle of the Sun," a 13th-century religious song composed by St. Francis of Assisi, this hymn praises God's creation,
- **5.** "Of the Father's Heart Begotten" Written in Latin in the 4th century by Prudentius, a Christian poet, this hymn offers a poetic reflection on the eternal nature of Christ, His role in creation, and His miraculous birth, establishing its place in Christmas worship.
- **6. "Now Thank We All Our God"** Composed by Martin Rinkart in the early 17th century amid the devastations of the Thirty Years' War, this hymn is a profound testament of gratitude and hope during trying times.
- **7. "Pange Lingua Gloriosi"** Penned by St. Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century, this Latin hymn exalts the sacrament of the Eucharist. Its final verses, "Tantum Ergo," are frequently sung during Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
- **8.** "Veni Creator Spiritus" Believed to have been composed by Rabanus Maurus in the 9th century, this hymn invites the Holy Spirit's presence and guidance. It is traditionally sung during ordinations, Pentecost, and other church gatherings.
- **9. "For All the Saints"** Written by Bishop William Walsham How in the 19th century, this hymn celebrates all Christian saints, known and unknown. It's a staple for All Saints' Day observances.

10. "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" A 14th-century hymn that rings out the joy of Easter. Its triumphant verses celebrate Christ's victory over death and our redemption.

'Why do we sing in Church?

To glorify and praise God

To obey Gods command

Because we enjoy God's presence

As a form of prayer.

To remember scripture.

To connect us to one another

To equip us for mission

So, these are the main reasons why we sing in church.

Quite apart from the fact that we like doing it, we enjoy music, and singing makes us feel better.





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