



## Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> OF SEPTEMBER 2018

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian  
Church of New Zealand





# Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

**New to Church?** We do understand that coming to a church meeting can be an uncomfortable experience for many people. We don't want you to feel anxious. Our style is relaxed and friendly and nobody will be put on the spot or asked to do something unfamiliar. ***You can simply be here and observe or participate to the degree you are comfortable.*** You do not have to be a Christian; this is an opportunity, in a non-threatening environment to learn more about who Jesus is and why we want to follow him. If you don't feel like praying, singing, or even standing up you don't need to, no one will think less of you. We will try to explain some aspects of the meeting as we go but we realise that some of our practices may seem strange. If you have any questions about why we do any of the things we do please don't hesitate to ask anyone who's involved with the service. Our pastor would love to answer any questions you have about the service or the message.

## **Children's Ministry - Children are an important part of all we do.**

In the second half of the meeting during the teaching time a program is available for children. ***The children's group***, 3 to 9 years old, will meet in Classroom 3. ***Pre-teens***, over 9 years old, will meet in the Crèche room opposite the hall entrance. This will be a time of interactive fun and teaching at their level so they too can understand the things concerning Jesus. You are **free as families** to send your children to that program **or** to keep them in the main meeting. We encourage children to be part of the main meeting as we believe God's heart for them is large and they too are able to learn the great things of the Christian faith. **There are worksheets available at the back for use during the message if you find this helpful.**

**Crèche: AREA 1** – This is available for **0 to 2 year olds**, during the sermon time, in the room on the right hand side of the building directly opposite the hall entrance. The person running the crèche will be waiting and available at the back of the hall. If they are not there then they will already be serving in the crèche room. **AREA 2** - The back part of the meeting room also has a child-friendly area where parents can feel a little more relaxed with their small children but still join in the worship.

**Thanks again for joining with us this morning. We hope you find the time to be both encouraging and thought provoking. Please join us after the service for coffee, tea and snacks.**

## **Call to Worship** Psalm 105:1-6<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

<sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

<sup>3</sup> Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

<sup>4</sup> Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

<sup>5</sup> Remember the wondrous works that he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgements he uttered,

<sup>6</sup> O offspring of Abraham, his servant,  
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

## **Prayer of adoration and approach**

### **Songs of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise** *O Worship The King*

Author: Robert Grant

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
And gratefully sing his power and his love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,  
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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<sup>1</sup> All passages of Scripture taken from the English Standard Version.

<sup>2</sup> Adoration: the act of paying honour, as to a divine being; worship; reverent homage; fervent and devoted love.

## ***Better Is One Day***

Author: Matt Redman

How lovely is your dwelling place  
Oh, Lord Almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for you  
For here my heart is satisfied  
Within your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of your wings  
*Better is one day in your courts*  
*Better is one day in your house*  
*Better is one day in your courts*  
*Than thousands elsewhere (REPEAT)*  
*Than thousands elsewhere*

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see your beauty  
To find you in the place your glory dwells  
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To see your beauty  
To find you in the place your glory dwells  
*Better is one day in your courts*  
*Better is one day in your house*  
*Better is one day in your courts*  
*Than thousands elsewhere (REPEAT)*  
*Than thousands elsewhere*

My heart and flesh cry out  
For you, the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to you  
I will draw near to you  
*Better is one day,*  
*Better is one day,*  
*Better is one day,*  
*Than thousands elsewhere (WOMEN REPEAT)*

*Better is one day in your courts  
Better is one day in your house  
Better is one day in your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere (MEN REPEAT)*

**ALL:** *Than thousands elsewhere*

## **Corporate Profession of Faith** Heidelberg Catechism 1 and 60

### **Q1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?**

**A.** That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Saviour, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

### **Q60. How are you righteous before God?**

**A.** Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.

## **Song of Assurance and Praise** *Jesus Paid It All*

Author: Elvina M. Hall

I hear the Saviour say,  
"Thy strength indeed is small,  
Child of weakness, watch and pray,  
Find in me thine all in all."

*Jesus paid it all,  
All to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain,  
He washed it white as snow.*

Lord, now indeed I find  
Thy pow'r and Thine alone,  
Can change the leper's spots  
And melt the heart of stone.

*Jesus paid it all,  
All to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain,  
He washed it white as snow.*

And when, before the throne,  
I stand in Him complete,  
"Jesus died my soul to save,"  
My lips shall still repeat.

*Jesus paid it all,  
All to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain,  
He washed it white as snow. (REPEAT)*

### **Pastoral Prayer**

This will normally include opportunity for you to share things you are thankful for or want to ask God for. Though the Pastor is the one who prays aloud we can all pray together and express in our hearts the things that we want to bring to a gracious God. In this way, too, we practise love and care for one another.

**Scripture Reading** Romans 15:22-33 (Church Bible p950)

*Jonathan Munroe*

## **Song of preparation for hearing God's Word**

### *Be Thou My Vision*

Author: Dallan Forgaill

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Dedication of offering and prayer for children**

Giving to the Lord is a free will offering from the hearts of those who believe in Jesus for salvation. No one will be asked to give; this is simply between you and the Lord. That is why we have a box by the door. Please see endnote (p15) for further information about the offering.

## **Message Romans 15:22-33**

*"The Christian Church: Partnership with Purpose"*

***There are worksheets at the back for children if you wish during the message***

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions



## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I. PARTNERSHIP IN GOSPEL MINISTRY, verses 22-24, 28-29**

### **II. PARTNERSHIP IN CARING, verses 25-28**

#### **A. The background to the offering**

#### **B. The reason for the offering**

##### **i. A debt to the Jews**

##### **ii. A debt to Christ**

### **III. PARTNERSHIP IN PRAYING, verses 30-33**

## **CONCLUSION**

## **Closing Song** *Take My Life And Let It Be*

Author: Frances Ridley Havergal

Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
Let them flow in endless praise,  
Let them flow in endless praise.

Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of thy love.  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee,  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my will and make it Thine;  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart it is Thine own;  
It shall be Thy royal throne,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee,  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

## **BENEDICTION<sup>3</sup>**

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<sup>3</sup> Benediction: literally, “good word” or “speak well”; a verbal blessing pronounced in God's name by the Pastor, at the conclusion of the service, sending us forth from this special time as we continue our lives seeking to know and follow Jesus.

## Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

### Scripture Reading Romans 15:22-33

1. Grace unites sinners who have experienced grace into a partnership to bring grace to the world. Our unity in Christ has a purpose. What excites you about these realities?
2. How do you see “unity with a purpose” working out in Romans and this passage particularly?
3. Discuss Paul’s purpose in visiting Rome. What content is in the word “help” or “assist” in verse 24? How does this shed light on the way we can partner in worldwide Gospel ministry?
4. Why does Paul disrupt his plans to visit Rome by going first to Jerusalem? Think about the costliness of doing so. Why was it so significant? What did it represent?
5. What does the visit to Jerusalem tell us about grace, Gospel partnership and our attitude to our resources?
6. Discuss the concept of partnering in prayer. What are Paul’s priorities in prayer? What does it mean to “struggle or strive” together in prayer? Whose struggle could you enter into through prayer right now?

## NOTICE PAGES

### Encouragement Groups

#### Torbay

**When** Sunday evenings, 6:30 pm  
**Where** Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive Torbay  
**Contact** Pastor Pete 473 9390 or 021 0367 957  
**Note** Meets for bring & share lunch, last Sunday of the month, *today*

#### Pinehill

**When** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday evening, 6:30 pm  
**Where** Bruners' home, 18A Ballymore Drive Pinehill  
**Contact** Pastor Dave 022 477 4978

***Please take time to complete the "Encouragement Group Survey" and hand it to Pastor Pete or pop it in the Collection Box on the back table***

### Kid's Ministry

**Please note** today Kid's Ministry is on term break. It will resume on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.

### Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

**When** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, next: 7<sup>th</sup> of October, *next week*

### Event – Talent Night

**What** Sophia Burton has committed to a year of Gospel service in Japan next year. This event has been organized as a fund raiser to help her in that. It will take the form of a Talent Night.

**When** Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November

**Where** Torbay Community Hall

### English Language Help

A group from Shore is providing ESL service to our community. We gather weekly to get to know new neighbours from around the world and help them learn to speak English and function in Kiwi society. We also seek to incorporate an introduction to the gospel and a welcome to church.

**When** 10:00-11:00am Tuesdays

**Where** A'ruma Café, 252 Oteha Valley Road, Unit H2, Albany

### Men's ministry

- What** Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young) Studying together Rankin Willbourne's "Union with Christ". This week: chapters 13 and 14.
- When** Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, 7:00 pm, (monthly 1st Tuesday), **this week**
- Where** Steve's place, 2/11 Regatta Road, Torbay

### Bible Study for Women

- What** Encouraging and helping one another. Studying: "Whiter than Snow" (meditations on sin & mercy in Psalm 51)
- When** Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> of October, 3:00 pm.
- Where** Janet's home, 15 Summit Drive Torbay

### Shore Pres Church Camp

- What** A weekend away to rest, deepen our relationships and grow in the Lord.
- Where** Campbell Park Christian Camp, Mangawhai Heads
- When** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> of February 2019
- Please note your diaries**

### Prayer Meeting

- When** 7:15, 10<sup>th</sup> of oct (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)
- Where** Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

### Ladies Spring HI TEA Party

- What** Ladies Spring Hi-Tea Party  
Lucy again kindly opens her lovely country home and kitchen for a gathering to celebrate our ladies colourful diversity, to encourage each other and to share our faith with our friends.
- To bring** A SAVOURY or a SWEET BITE SIZE Treat to share.  
If possible, take along a non-Christian lady friend to share our company and faith together.
- To wear** Colourful dress (or top and bottom) and a lady's HAT.
- When** Saturday 13 October 2:00 to 5:00 pm
- Where** 1185 Kaipara Coast Highway, Kaukapakapa

**Car-pooling is available. Please check with Anna Knapp  
on 021-2279012 or anna@darlin.co.nz**

## **General Assembly**

The General Assembly of Grace Presbyterian Church is meeting in Manurewa Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> of October. This is a great expression of the unity of the Church and part of what it means to be Presbyterian, i.e., that we are part of something larger than just our own local work. Pastors and Elders meet to discuss, pray and make decisions on matters concerning the whole church. Peter, David and Malcolm will be in attendance. Please remember this in your prayers this week.

## **Opportunities for ladies at the General Assembly**

There are some meetings that may be of interest to the ladies. These also provide a great opportunity to connect with people from our other churches.

### **Get Together for Pastor's Wives**

**When** Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am-12:00 pm  
**Where** Grace Theological College, 77 Rogers Rd Manurewa  
**Who for** Pastor's wives

### **Encouragement: Seminar and Discussion**

**When** Wednesday October 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am-11:30 am  
**Where** Grace Theological College, 77 Rogers Rd Manurewa  
**Who for** All women from our denomination

***Let's come meet together and be encouraged together!***

### **Ministering to those who have suffered from sexual abuse:**

#### **Seminar and Discussion**

**When** Wednesday October 17<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.-9 p.m  
**Where** Grace Theological College, 77 Rogers Rd Manurewa  
**Who for** Women from Grace who are involved in ministry to others– Pastors and elders wives and other women involved in ministry

### ***For more information contact:***

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## Sermon Programme

Over the next few Sundays we will be aiming to finish our series through the Book of Romans. These last chapters continue to be rich with God’s truth for Gospel living.

In the month of October we will take time for some topical sermons answering the questions that have been handed in.

We will also have a guest preacher, Josh Eyre from Grace Presbyterian Church, Christchurch. Josh has been active in student ministry for many years and is now a Candidate to be a Pastor.

The October programme looks like this:

- 7 October**            *“What is there to do in heaven?”*
- 14 October**        *“What if there is life on other planets?”*
- 21 October**        *Josh Eyre*
- 28 October**        *David Bruner – “Suicide”*

### Serving Roster for next Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of October – Fellowship Lunch

SHORE KID’S LEADER	CRECHE	KITCHEN & MORNING TEA	OPEN UP & FIRE WARDEN	HALL SET-UP	HALL TAKE DOWN & CLEAN UP	SUPERVISE PLAY GROUND
TBA	Volunteer	Karen v B and Christine	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis and Ian	Volunteers	Volunteers

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#### ***Shore Presbyterian Church Giving Information***

Throughout the Bible the giving of tithes and offerings has always been seen as a part of the believer’s worship to God. Apart from other charitable giving it’s important for Christians to help financially sustain the ministry of the local church they are a part of. If you wish to become a regular giver at Shore Presbyterian, please see our Treasurer Cathy Tasker who can provide you with a number so that you can receive a tax receipt at the end of the financial year. There are two ways to give: you can place your offering in the box in the entrance. If you wish to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year you can put the offering in an envelope with your number on it. You can also give online through automatic deposit. The Shore Presbyterian Church bank account number is 12-3059-0631003-00. Make sure you record your number with the deposit.

If you have any questions, please talk with Pastor Peter Boyd (021 0367 957 or [petethepastor@shorepres.org.nz](mailto:petethepastor@shorepres.org.nz)) or with our church Treasurer Cathy Tasker ([cathytasker@gmail.com](mailto:cathytasker@gmail.com)).



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