



## **Welcome to Worship**

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OF OCTOBER 2018

## **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

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** Revelation 5:12,13<sup>1</sup>

<sup>12</sup> ... “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!” <sup>13</sup> And ... “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!”

## **Prayer of adoration and the Lord’s Prayer**

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
Forever and ever, Amen.

## **Songs of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise** *All I Have Is Christ*

Author: Jordan Kauflin

I once was lost in darkest night  
Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that you would own  
A rebel to your will  
And if you had not loved me first  
I would refuse you still

But as I ran my hell-bound race  
Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state  
And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God’s love displayed  
You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me  
Now all I know is grace

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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.

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ*  
*Hallelujah! Jesus is my life (REPEAT)*

Now, Lord, I would be yours alone  
And live so all might see  
The strength to follow your commands  
Could never come from me  
Oh Father, use my ransomed life  
In any way you choose  
And let my song forever be  
My only boast is you

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ*  
*Hallelujah! Jesus is my life (REPEAT)*

### ***Revelation Song***

Author: Jennie Lee Riddle

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy, holy is he  
Sing a new song to him who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat (REPEAT)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty*  
*Who was and is and is to come*  
*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings*  
*You are my everything and I will adore you*

Clothed in rainbows of living colour  
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honour strength and glory and power be  
To you the only wise King

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty*  
*Who was and is and is to come*  
*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings*  
*You are my everything and I will adore you*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of your name  
Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water  
Such a marvelous mystery

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings  
You are my everything and I will adore you (REPEAT)*

### **Time of Confession and Repentance** Romans 3:22-25

<sup>22</sup> ...For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

### **Corporate Assurance of Grace** Romans 8:31-39

**Leader** What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

**People** He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

**Leader** Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

**People** Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—

**Leader** who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

**People** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

**Leader** As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

**ALL** ***No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.***

***For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

## **Song of Assurance and Thankfulness** *How Deep*

Author: Stuart Townend

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That he would give his only Son  
To make a wretch his treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns his face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross  
My guilt upon his shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no powr's, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from his reward?  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

**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** Revelation 7:9-17 (Church Bible p1032)

## **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 (p17) for further information about the offering.

### **Message** *“What is there to do in heaven?”*

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I. GOD’S BIG PLAN**

**A. Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration**

**B. Fulfilling the promises to Abraham**

### **II. A MATERIAL WORLD**

**A. Jesus’ Resurrection**

**B. Our Resurrection**

**C. The Earth’s Resurrection**

### **III. OUR FUTURE**



#### **IV. WHAT WILL WE DO?**

- A. It is forever**
- B. A festival of friends**
- C. Knowing**
- D. Enjoying beauty**
- E. Joyful labour**

#### **V. THE VALUE OF HOPE**

#### **VI. IN THE MEANTIME**

#### **VII. THE PRICE PAID TO GIVE A WRETCH SUCH TREASURE**

#### **CONCLUSION: At the Lord's Supper**

### **Song of preparation for the Lord's Supper**

#### *When Peace Like A River*

Author: Horatio Spafford

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed his own blood for my soul.

*It is well (It is well)*

*With my soul (With my soul)*

*It is well, it is well, with my soul.*

My sin, o, the bliss of this glorious thought!  
My sin, not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*It is well (It is well)*

*With my soul (With my soul)*

*It is well, it is well, with my soul.*

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

*It is well (It is well)*

*With my soul (With my soul)*

*It is well, it is well, with my soul.*

**The Lord's Supper *Who is this for?*** Jesus himself has appointed this means of remembering His death on the cross and the benefits that come to us. It is an opportunity to feed on Him by faith and to be strengthened as His followers. Therefore, it is appropriate that only those who are truly Christians should participate. That is, those who profess faith in Christ as Saviour and Lord, who are baptised into His church and who seek to live obedient lives. If this does not describe you, we encourage you not to take the bread or wine but to use the opportunity to consider the things you have heard in today's service and to consider the claims of Christ and what they mean for you. You may find some help in one of the prayers printed on page 18. If you have questions about these things, please contact Pastor Peter.

## **Profession of Faith: *The Apostle's Creed***<sup>3</sup>

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated  
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic<sup>4</sup> church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

## **Prayer** Ian Grant

### **Closing Song** *I Lift My Eyes Up (Psalm 121)*

Author: Brian Doerksen

I lift my eyes up, to the mountains  
Where does my help come from?  
My help comes from you, Maker of heaven  
Creator of the earth (**REPEAT**)

*Oh how I need you Lord*

*You're my only hope*

*You're my only prayer*

*So I will wait for you*

*To come and rescue me*

*To come and give me life! (**REPEAT ALL**)*

## **BENEDICTION**<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> The Apostle's Creed represents the earliest and most widespread expression of faith among Christians throughout the history of the Church.

<sup>4</sup> The term "catholic" here means "worldwide" and "universal" in regards to the church and is not referring to any particular denomination.

## Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

**Scripture Readings**    Isaiah 11:6-9; 65:17-25; 66:22-33  
                                 Romans 8:18-23  
                                 1 Corinthians 2:9; 15; 2 Corinthians 5:1-10  
                                 2 Peter 3:1-15a  
                                 Revelation 7:9-17; 21:1-4; 22:1-5

1. What do you think of when you think of heaven? What does everlasting worship mean?
2. What was God's intention for creation and how did sin and the curse effect that?
3. What will God's plan of redemption do for the earth? Look at Genesis 17:8. What do you think is the "everlasting possession"?
4. How are the resurrection of Jesus, the future of our bodies and the future of the earth connected? Will they be the same bodies and the same earth or something distinctly new?
5. How will the presence of God there impact us? How will we worship, enjoy Him and serve Him? Think about:
  - It is forever
  - It is a festival of friends and peace in the created order
  - It is knowing God and learning more and more
  - It is enjoying beauty
  - It is joyful labour
6. How does the doctrine of a new heavens and a new earth give us hope in the present? Think also about – evangelism, working for a godly and just culture, and, caring for the environment.
7. In the light of all these great truths, how then should we live?

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<sup>5</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.

## 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

#### Pinehill

**When** Thursdays – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (and 5<sup>th</sup>) of the month, 6:30 pm  
**Where** Bruners' home, 18A Ballymore Drive Pinehill  
**Contact** Pastor Dave 022 477 4978

### 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, **today**

### 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"*.

**When** Tues. 6<sup>th</sup> of November, 7:00 pm, (monthly 1st Tuesday)

**Where** Steve's place, 2/11 Regatta Road, Torbay

### Prayer Meeting

**When** 7:15, 10<sup>th</sup> of oct (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month), ***this week***

**Where** Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

### Prayer FOCUS

We recognise the importance of prayer as a foundation for all we do in ministry. In it we depend upon God to work His will, by His power, for His glory through frail instruments. The elders have felt that there are times when we should target some need or ministry in the life of the Church for particular attention. We'll put it in the Sunday notices and then send out a group email to the Church Family on Wednesday of the same week.

Please make these two items a focussed part of your private and family prayers over the coming week:

1. The English Language Ministry. For grace and strength for those who lead, especially Margaret and David; and that there would be more folk in attendance with open hearts to the Gospel.
2. The Youth Group. Give thanks for all who come and pray, also, for open hearts to know and grow in Christ.

## 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, *this week*
- Where** 1185 Kaipara Coast Highway, Kaukapakapa

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

## Church Annual General Meeting

- What** Now we are a Particular Church we need to hold Annual General Meetings. This is for church members to hear reports on the life of the Church, make any decisions that need to be made and approve the annual Church Budget. A key item for us to discuss, is a way of continuing David Bruner's wonderful ministry among us, whilst enabling him to be established in fruitful ministry at City Pres.
- When** Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> of October, after worship.  
***More information next week***

## 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.

## **Bed and Breakfast for General Assembly Commissioners**

We are needing about five places for folk from other parts of the country for Monday evening the 15<sup>th</sup> through Thursday evening the 18<sup>th</sup> of October. If you can help please let Malcolm or Peter know.

## **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:***

Sue Bracefield - 022 600-9693, sueb@mcctrust.nz  
Anne Camp - 021 206-4978, sacamp@xtra.co.nz

## **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



## Sermon Programme

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”*

## 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***

### Serving Roster for next Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October

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	Ariel	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis and Tom	Volunteers	Volunteers

### ***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)).

## **Silent Prayers for use during the Lord's Supper**

**Prayer of uncertainty** *God, I don't even know if you exist or if I'm just talking to myself. If you are real, please help me to come to know you. Open my heart and my mind to consider the truth claims of Jesus who is called the Christ. Help me to see both my need for you and how Jesus is the provision for that need. Give me the answers I need and dissolve any dishonest objections that I hold to your existence Amen.*

**Prayer for those searching for truth** *Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

**Prayer of belief** *Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Saviour. Amen.*

**Prayer of commitment** *Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.*

**Prayer for those struggling with sin** *Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfilment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.*

**Prayer for the believer** *Father, I come now to your table, to partake of Christ's body and blood in holy communion. I ask that you would search my heart and show me my failings and sins so that I may repent and turn to embrace your promises anew. Although I am unworthy, you have made me worthy. Though I am a sinner, you have taken away my sins by your very own body and blood. May you be glorified in our partaking of your sacrament. Amen.*





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