



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 25TH OF NOVEMBER 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 40:1-5¹

¹ I waited patiently for the Lord;

he inclined to me and heard my cry.

² He drew me up from the pit of destruction,

out of the miry bog,

and set my feet upon a rock,

making my steps secure.

³ He put a new song in my mouth,

a song of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear,

and put their trust in the Lord.

⁴ Blessed is the man who makes

the Lord his trust,

who does not turn to the proud,

to those who go astray after a lie!

⁵ You have multiplied, O Lord my God,

your wondrous deeds and your thoughts towards us;

none can compare with you!

I will proclaim and tell of them,

yet they are more than can be told.

Prayer of adoration, approach and confession

Songs of Adoration² & Praise *Jesus What A Friend For Sinners*

Author: J. Wilbur Chapman

Jesus, what a friend for sinners

Jesus, lover of my soul;

Friends may fail me, foes assail me,

He, my Saviour, makes me whole

Hallelujah, what a Saviour!

Hallelujah, what a friend!

Saving, helping, keeping, loving,

He is with me to the end.

¹ All passages of Scripture taken from the English Standard Version.

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

Jesus, what a strength in weakness
Let me hide myself in Him.

Tempted, tried, and often failing,
He, my strength, my victory wins.

Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus, what a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul.

Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus, I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find.
He has granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine.

Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end. (REPEAT)

Your Love Oh Lord

Author: Third Day

Your love, oh Lord
Reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide

I will lift my voice, To worship you, my King
I will find my strength, In the shadow of your wings (REPEAT ALL)

Time of confession and repentance Romans 3:22-25

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

Assurance of grace Romans 4:7-8; 8:38-39

⁷ “Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,
and whose sins are covered;

⁸ blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.”

³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ 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 praise and thankfulness *Satisfied*

Author: Clara T. Wilson

All my life long I had panted
For a drink from some cool spring,
That I hoped would quench the burning
Of the thirst I felt within.

Feeding on the filth around me,
Till my strength was almost gone,
Longed my soul for something better,
Only still to hunger on.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!
The one my soul so long had craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through his blood I now am saved.*

Poor I was, and sought for riches,
Something that would satisfy,
But the dust I gathered round me
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!
The one my soul so long had craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through his blood I now am saved.*

Well of water, ever springing,
Bread of life so rich and free,
Untold wealth that never faileth,
My Redeemer is to me.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!
The one my soul so long had craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through his blood I now am saved.*

Mission Spot Prayer for Emilia Burton and Callum Boyd as they head off on a short-term mission trip to Fiji – Led by Malcolm Tasker

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.

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Author: Matt Papa

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity

*In our longing, in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us*

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
*See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law; in Him we stand*

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
*See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold*

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord; He is alive!
*What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when he comes*

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 (p16) for further information about the offering.

Scripture Reading Romans 16:17-27 (Church Bible p950) Steve

Message *Romans 16:17-27*

“Guarding the glorious Gospel of grace”

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. SAFEGUARDING THE GOSPEL, verses 17-19

- A. The strength of Paul’s concern**
- B. Why so concerned**
- C. Vigilance, Separation and Discernment**

II. STRENGTH OF THE GOSPEL

- A. The father of lies**
- B. His doom is writ**
- C. Every victory is a “crushing”**

III. SIGNIFICANCE OF THE GOSPEL

- A. It is what strengthens us**

- B. It centers in Christ**

- C. It is God's gracious call to all people**

- D. It is what glorifies God**

CONCLUSION

Closing Song *All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name*

Author: Edward Parronet

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all,
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all,
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that, with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all,
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

BENEDICTION³

³ 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 16:17-27; Acts 20:28-32;
Galatians 1:6-9; 2:4

1. What do you think is the theme of these closing words in Paul's letter to the Romans?
2. Is he justified in his strong words in verses 17 and 18? Why? How would we apply them today?
3. What is the encouragement of verse 20? Why does he say, "under your feet"? In what ways can we see that happening now?
4. In verses 25-27, how does Paul stress the importance of the Gospel?
5. What actually is the Gospel in Romans? Why is it important that its focus is a person called Jesus Christ? How does that underline the fact that it is the only true and saving message?
6. How does the Gospel fully glorify God and how can we grow in the Gospel and in giving glory to Him?

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) or with our church Treasurer Cathy Tasker (cathytasker@gmail.com).

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

Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

When 1st Sunday of the month, next: 2nd of December, **next Sunday**

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)
End of year social night, food provided, ball games and discussion for next year.

When Tues. 4th of December, 6:00 pm, (monthly 1st Tues.)
Where Long Bay Regional Park, BBQ site 5

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 28th of Nov (2nd and 4th Wed of the month), **this week**
Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Bible Study for Women

- What** Encouraging and helping one another. Studying: *“Whiter than Snow” (meditations on sin & mercy in Psalm 51)*
- When** TBA
- 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 15th to Sunday 17th of February 2019

Please note your diaries

Short-Term Mission Opportunity

Needed, people who can use a shovel, swing a hammer and lay concrete. We are planning a trip to Japan in April next year to help at the church that Sophia is going to be working at.

Interested? Please see Malcolm or email malcattasker@gmail.com.

Ladies End of Year Lunch

- What** As the year is coming to a rapid close, we thought to get together for a ladies fellowship and ***shared lunch***:

- To Share with each other what we are thankful to God for this year;
- To Bless and encourage each other;
- To Share faith with our friends and neighbours. ***Please do invite others.***

Please bring **ANY** salad **OR** dessert (*to accompany a Christmas ham and baked chickens which have been already freely contributed towards our luncheon*).

When Saturday, 8 December at 11-2pm

Where Lydia Song has kindly opened her hospitable home at 28 Huntington Park Dr, Greenhithe

Carpooling can be arranged. Please RSVP Anna by 15 Nov.

Christmas Events

- **Carols on the Green**

Friday, 7th of December 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Browns Bay Village Green

Brought to you by the Churches of East Coast Bays and the ECB Community Project

- **The first annual “A Very Long Bay Christmas”**

Saturday, 15th of December from 4:30 pm

Ridge Park, 21 Te Oneroa Way

Brought to you by Long Bay Baptist, Torbay Anglican, Shore Presbyterian and the Long Bay Residents Association

- **Christmas at Shore Pres**

- Sunday, 23rd of December 10 am, “There IS Light!”

- Christmas Morning, 9 am, “The Gift that keeps on giving”

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 - The first annual “A Very Long Bay Christmas” - as advertised above a part of your prayers.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 2nd of December – 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	Christine and Amy	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Ian and Cameron	Volunteers	Volunteers



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