



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 16TH OF DECEMBER 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 24¹

- ¹ The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;
- ² for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.
- ³ Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?
- ⁴ The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.
- ⁵ They will receive blessing from the LORD
and vindication from God their Saviour.
- ⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek your face, God of Jacob.
- ⁷ Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
- ⁸ Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.
- ⁹ Lift up your heads, you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
- ¹⁰ Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Prayer of adoration, approach and confession

Songs of Adoration² & Praise *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Author: John Francis Wade

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

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.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:
"Glory to God, all glory in the highest!"

O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord we greet Thee, born that happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing

O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

O Holy Night

Author: Adolphe Adam

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining.
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, the night when Christ was born;
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by his cradle we stand.
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Now come the wise men from orient land.
The King of kings lay thus lowly manger;
In all our trials born to be our friend,
He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger,
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!

Truly he taught us to love one another,
His law is love and his gospel is peace.
Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother.
And in his name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise his holy name.
Christ is the Lord! O praise his name forever,
His power and glory ever more proclaim!
His power and glory ever more proclaim!

Corporate Scripture Reading Psalm 23

Leader The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.

Leader He restores my soul.

People He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Leader Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil,

People for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

Leader You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;

People you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

All **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for ever. Amen.**

Profession of Faith: *The Apostle's Creed*³

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 catholic⁴ church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

Song of Praise *O Come O Come Emmanuel*

Author: Anonymous

O come, O come, Emmanuel

And ransom captive Israel

That mourns in lonely exile here

Until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free

Thine own from Satan's tyranny

From depths of hell Thy people save

And give them victory o'er the grave

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

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

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

O come, Thou Day-Spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and sorrows cease
Fill all the world with heaven's peace

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

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 Praise *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Author: Charles Wesley

Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see Thee,
Dayspring from on high appear;
Come, Thou promised Rod of Jesse,
Of thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing

News, glad tidings of a birth:
“Go to him, your praises bringing;
Christ the Lord has come to earth.”

Come to earth to taste our sadness,
He who’s glories knew no end;
By his life he brings us gladness,
Our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number,
Born with-in a cattle stall;
This the everlasting wonder,
Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Song of preparation for hearing God’s Word *Silent Night*

Author: Joseph Mohr

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
’Round yon virgin mother and child
Holy infant, so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar
heav'nly hosts sing: “Alleluia,
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!”

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Scripture Reading Psalm 2 (Church Bible p448)
Isaiah 9:6,7 (Church Bible p573)

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 Preparing for Christmas series no. 3
"Jesus: the Shepherd-King"

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. THE KINGSHIP OF JESUS

A. Anticipated

B. Arrived

C. Ascended

II. THE GLORY OF HIS KINGSHIP

A. Saviour King

B. Sovereign King

C. Share in His Kingship

D. Second Coming

CONCLUSION

Closing Song *Angels We Have Heard On High*

Author: Anonymous

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain: Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song?
(Refrain)

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
(Refrain)

BENEDICTION⁵

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

Scripture Reading Psalm 2; Isaiah 9:6,7; Daniel 2:44,45; Rev. 11:15

1. What were the promises made regarding the Kingship of Jesus? How are they fulfilled in Him? How does He differ from Israel's Kings? When was He crowned? When does He reign?
2. What does it mean to say that He is a Saviour-King or a Shepherd-King or a Servant-King? How is he different from earthly kings and rulers and governments?
3. How do we see His sovereign power and authority and how does that encourage us?
4. Discuss the idea that we are sons and daughters of the King and that somehow, we are "royal" (cf. 1 Peter 2:9,10) or share in His kingship/reign. What do you think Hebrews 2:1-9 means? How could we live out that reality now?
5. Discuss the return of the King and what that will mean for us, others and the world. In what ways do you need these encouragements and what might they mean for those who are persecuted for righteousness sake?

⁵ 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
*Please note: this lunch has been brought forward this month to the 23rd.
If you can make it, please bring something a "little bit Christmassy!"*
*Also, please note: this group will be in recess after the 23rd of December
and will resume on the 20th of January.*

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: 6th of January

Prayer Meeting

- Note:** The prayer meeting will be in recess until the 9th of January.

Kid's Ministry

- Note:** Sunday morning Kid's Ministry will be in recess until the New Year.

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.

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

Christmas at Shore Pres

- Sunday, 23rd of December 10 am, *"There IS Light!"*
As we worship on the 23rd we will take opportunity to share with each other the things we are thankful for. Please come prepared to share something for our mutual encouragement.
- Christmas Morning, 9 am, *"The Gift that keeps on giving"*

Church Picnic

- What** Church fellowship picnic for those who are around.
BYO Lunch and/or refreshments
- When** Thursday 27th of December, anytime from 12 noon
- Where** Long Bay Beach far Northern end next to Site Number 5

New Year's Eve BBQ

- What** The Grants are hosting another New Year's Eve hangout for anyone in town who would like to come over for a BBQ!
- BYO** Meat, drink and a salad/vegetable dish to share.
If you have a deck chair to spare, it might be handy....
- When** Around 5pm, Monday 31 December.
- Where** Ian and Christine's, 2/32 Sea Vista Ave, Beach Haven

Saturday Shared lunch

- What** The church family are invited to a shared lunch at the Paddicks.
BYO drinks and a plate to share
- When** 12:30 pm, Saturday, 5th of January.
- Where** 1/118 Browns Bay Road, Browns Bay

Summer Program

Pastor Pete will be away for the Sundays of the 30th of December and the 6th of January

- **30th of December** Ian Grant preaching
- **6th of January** David Bruner preaching
Lord's Supper but no fellowship lunch

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 23rd of December

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	Cathy Tasker	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Steve and Malcolm	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) or with our church Treasurer Cathy Tasker (cathytasker@gmail.com).



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