

Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 13TH OF JANUARY 2019



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 95:1-7¹

- ¹ I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- ² Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- ³ The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.
- ⁴Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"
- ⁵ Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.
- ⁶The Lord preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.
- ⁷ Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

Prayer of adoration and approach

Songs of Adoration² & Praise 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.

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

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

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.

Indescribable

Author: Chris Tomlin

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea Creation's revealing your majesty From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring Every creature unique in the song that it sings All exclaiming,

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name.
You are amazing God,
All powerful, untameable,
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God.

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night None can fathom,

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name.
You are amazing God,
All powerful, untameable,
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God, you are amazing God.

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name.
You are amazing God,
Incomparable, unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart and you love me the same
You are amazing God,
You are amazing God.

Corporate Prayer of Confession and Repentance

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father;

We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires

of our own hearts.

We have offended against Your holy laws.

We have not done those things

which we ought to have done;

And we have done those things

which we ought not to have done.

But You, O Lord are merciful.

Forgive us, O Lord, as we confess our faults.

Restore us as we repent,

according to Your promises

declared to us in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Grant, merciful Father, for His sake;

that we may live a godly, righteous, and holy life,

To the glory of Your holy Name. **Amen**.³

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 $^{^{\}rm 3}$ Adapted from the Anglican Prayer Book

Song of Assurance and Grace

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

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.

Profession of Faith: The Apostle's Creed⁴

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 catholic⁵ church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Mission Spot Sending Sophia Burton to Japan

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 Psalm 139 (Church Bible p521) Gretchen

⁴ The Apostle's Creed represents the earliest and most widespread expression of faith among Christians throughout the history of the Church.

⁵ The term "catholic" here means "worldwide" and "universal" in regards to the church and is not referring to any particular denomination.

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 (p14) for further information about the offering.

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word Search me, O God

J. Edwin Orr, 1936.6

Search me, O God, and know my heart today, Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray; See if there be some wicked way in me; Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

I praise Thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin; Fulfill Thy word and make me pure within; Fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame; Grant my desire to magnify Thy name.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly Thine; Fill my poor heart with Thy great love divine; Take all my will, my passion, self and pride; I now surrender, Lord, in me abide.

O Holy Ghost, revival comes from Thee; Send a revival, start the work in me; Thy Word declares Thou wilt supply our need; For blessings now, O Lord, I humbly plead.

Message Psalm 139 "The wholeness of being known and loved"

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions, next page

⁶ Edwin Orr wrote these words at a revival meeting in Ngaruawahia, New Zealand, taking less than five minutes to put them down on paper.

INTRODUCTION

I.	THE GOD \	WHO KNOWS, verses 1-6
II.	THE GOD V	WHO KNOWS BECAUSE HE IS EVER-PRESENT, 2
III.		WHO KNOWS BECAUSE HE POWERFULLY MAKES AND erses 13-16
IV.	THE GOD \	WHO KNOWS, KNOWS GRACIOUSLY AND PERSONALLY
	A.	Amazingly gracious
	В.	Profoundly caring
V.	PASSIONA	TE AND APPROPRIATE RESPONSES
	A.	Praise, verses 17-18
	В.	Zeal, verses 19-22
	C.	Humility, verses 23-34

Closing Song Mighty to Save

Authors: Kate B. Wilkinson, Dorothy Ann Thrupp

Everyone needs compassion

A love that's never failing

Let mercy fall on me

Everyone needs forgiveness

The kindness of a Savior

The hope of nations

Saviour he can move the mountains

My God is mighty to save

He is mighty to save

Forever author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me

All my fears and failures

Fill my life again

I give my life to follow

Everything I believe in

Now I surrender

Saviour he can move the mountains

My God is mighty to save

He is mighty to save

Forever author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave.

Shine your light and let the whole world see

We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus (REPEAT)

Saviour he can move the mountains

My God is mighty to save

He is mighty to save

Forever author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave.

BENEDICTION⁷

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

Scripture Reading Psalm 139

- 1. See verses 1-6. What does God know and how does that make you feel?
- 2. See verses 7-12. What does God's unshakeable presence mean for you?
- 3. See verses 13-16. God knows us because He has made us and orders the whole of our lives. What does this mean for you?
- 4. What is the fear we have in being fully known and how does the Gospel answer this? How does this compare to other religions and gods?
- 5. How do you explain the passion of verses 19-22? How could we apply this in the light of the coming of Christ? That is, how are we now to view those who despise so wonderful a God?
- 6. Why is the closing plea of verses 23-24 such an appropriate response to what David has said about God? What is the humility we learn from this?

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⁷ 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 group will be in recess to 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: 3rd of February

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 23rd of Jan (2nd and 4th Wed of the month)

Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Kid's Ministry

Note: Sunday morning Kid's Ministry is 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

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 20 th of January									
SHORE KID'S LEADER	CRECHE	KITCHEN & MORNING TEA	OPEN UP & FIRE WARDEN	HALL SET-UP	HALL TAKE DOWN & CLEAN UP	SUPERVISE PLAY GROUND			
ТВА	Volunteer	Margaret Jones & Christine Grant	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, lan and Jonathan Munroe	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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