

Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 27TH 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 96:1-5¹

- ¹Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- ² Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
- ³ Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous works among all the peoples!
- ⁴ For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.
- ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

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 Adoration² & Praise Indescribable

Author: Chris Tomlin

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea Creation's revealing your majesty, From the colours 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.

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.

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.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Authors: John Newton, Laura Taylor

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Saviour's name
He has hushed the Law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
You have washed us with your blood

You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You have brought us near to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us Pitied us when enemies Called us by his grace and taught us Gave us ears and gave us eyes You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You present us whole to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
You have washed us with your blood
You have washed us with your blood
You have washed us with your blood
You will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more

You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You have washed us with your blood You secured our way to God.

Scripture Meditation Luke 9:23-26

- ²³ And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.
- ²⁴ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.
- ²⁵ For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?
- ²⁶ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

Song of Response Near the Cross

Author: Fannie Crosby

Jesus, keep me near the cross, There a precious fountain Free to all, a healing stream Flows from Calvary's mountain.

> In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever; Till my ransomed soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me; There the bright and morning star Shed his beams around me.

> In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever; Till my ransomed soul shall find Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me; Help me walk from day to day, With its shadows o'er me.

In the cross, in the cross,
Be my glory ever;
Till my ransomed soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

Ministry Spot Kid's Ministry - Carl Paddick

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 Luke 14:25-35 (Church Bible p874)

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say

Author: Horatius Bonar

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down,
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary and worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's Light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of Life I'll walk
Till traveling days are done.

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.

Message Luke 14:25-35 "The call of Jesus to the Undivided Life"

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

- 1. CHRISTIAN OR DISCIPLE, verse 25
- 2. THE CALL TO A GREATER LOVE, verse 26
 - a. More than others
 - b. More than self
- 3. THE CALL TO DIE, verse 27
- 4. THE CALL TO LIVE, verse 33
- 5. THE CALL THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE, verses 34-35

6. THE CALL TO CONSIDER, verses 28-32

CONCLUSION: Looking to Jesus

- i. He DOES what He asks
- ii. He GIVES what He asks
- iii. He LEADS to glory

Closing Song *In Christ Alone*

Authors: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath.
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

BENEDICTION³

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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 Luke 9:18-27; 14:25-35

- 1. Why do you think, with almost half marking themselves as connected with the "Christian faith" on the Census form, New Zealand does not appear to be a Christian nation?
- 2. What kind of Christianity might make a difference? What would it look like? How would it behave in various parts of society?
- 3. What do we learn from Jesus about discipleship? How does He call us to a greater love and what are the personal and public blessings of that love?
- 4. What are the factors that stifle our "cross-bearing"?
- 5. Think about how Jesus
 - a. DOES what He asks
 - b. GIVES what He asks
 - c. LEADS us to glory
- 6. How can we love one another and help one another take up our cross daily 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 shared lunch, last Sunday of the month, *PICNIC 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: 3rd of February, next week

Next Sunday

Next Sunday while Pastor Pete is officiating at the wedding of a couple from the Massey Tertiary Students Christian Fellowship, David Bruner will bring God's Word to us, thanks Dave.

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 13th of Feb (2nd and 4th Wed of the month)

Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Kid's Ministry

Please note: Sunday morning Kid's Ministry is currently in recess but is now calling for volunteers to serve the Lord, the families and the children. Carl Paddick is now the Kid's Ministry Co-ordinator and would be delighted if as many as possible could be available to serve. Please let him know.

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 take a notice from the table in the doorway

Things needed for the camp:

Gazebo x 2

- Person to be responsible for First Aid
- Baking for morning tea and supper
- Port-a-cot
- Table Tennis Bats/Balls
- Basket Ball
- Volley Ball

Please see Cathy/Malcolm, or Steve for sports equipment, if you are able to help out in anyway.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 3 rd of February – 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
ТВА	Volunteer	Cathy and Phoebe	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Malcolm & Jesse Son	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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