



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 28th OF APRIL 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 Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- ³ For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.
- ⁶ Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
- ⁷ For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration²

Songs of Adoration³ & Praise *The Lord Is King*

Author: Josiah Conder

The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,
O earth, and all ye heav'ns, rejoice!
From world to world the joy shall ring,
"The Lord omnipotent is King!"

*Sing His praise, sing His praise
Lord of lords, Ancient of Days
Sing His praise, sing His praise
All your days, all your days.*

The Lord is King! Who then shall dare
Resist his will, distrust his care?
Or murmur at his wise decrees,
Or doubt his royal promises?

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.

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Lord of lords, Ancient of Days
Sing His praise, sing His praise
All your days, all your days.*

The Lord is King! Bow down we must,
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all His ways;
Let ev'ry creature sing His praise.

*Sing His praise, sing His praise
Lord of lords, Ancient of Days
Sing His praise, sing His praise
All your days, all your days. (REPEAT)*

How Great Thou Art

Author: Carl Gustav Boberg

Oh Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed,
*Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook and feel the gentle breeze,
*Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.*

And when I think of God, his son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin,

*Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow with humble adoration
And then proclaim "My God how great Thou art!"

*Then sings my soul my Saviour, God, to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
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Time of Confession and Repentance Matthew 5:1-12

¹ Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons^[a] of God.

¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Assurance of Grace Romans 3:19-24

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. 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.***

Song of Thankfulness and Commitment *When I Survey*

Author: Isaac Watts

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

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 James 3:1-18 (Church Bible p1012)

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

Worthy Is The Lamb

Author: Darlene Zschech

Thank you for the cross Lord
Thank you for the price you paid
Bearing all my sin and shame
In love you came and gave amazing grace

Thank you for this love Lord
Thank you for the nail-pierced hands
Washed me in your cleansing flow
Now all I know your forgiveness and embrace

*Worthy is the Lamb
Seated on the throne
Crown you now with many crowns
You reign victorious*

*High and lifted up
Jesus, Son of God
Ruler of Heaven crucified
Worthy is the Lamb*

Worthy is the Lamb

(REPEAT ALL)

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 James 3:13-18 “The Two Types of Wisdom” Ian Grant

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. INTRODUCTION

II. OUTLINE:

- James first states the basic principle 3:13
- Then he goes on to discuss and contrast two kinds of wisdom.
- Notice the ‘But’ of v14 & 17
- Verses 14-16 - Earthly wisdom
- Verses 17-18 - Godly wisdom

III. JAMES 3:13 THE PRINCIPLE:

- Our Conduct reflects the Character of our Wisdom.
- [cf. Proverbs 4:23 and Matthew 15:18-20a]

IV. COMPARISON AND CONTRAST

- Verses 14-16 [Earthly wisdom] and verses 17-18 [Godly wisdom]
- Under three headings: Origin; Characteristics and Results.
- Notice there is no middle ground here.

ORIGIN

VV15-16 Earthly	vv17-18 Godly
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not from above • earthly - arise from the mind of the creature, man. Self proclaimed, autonomous [c.f. Gen 3 & 11] • Unspiritual - without the Spirit of God • demonic - of the devil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • from above - never self-generated by man

CHARACTERISTICS

VV15-16 Earthly	vv17-18 Godly	Compare Beatitudes [Matt 5]
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jealously • Selfish ambition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pure - Holy • Peaceable - peace loving • Gentle - considerate • Open to reason - a listener. • Full of mercy and good fruits • Impartial • Sincere - transparent, with integrity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matt 5:8 • Matt 5:9 • Matt 5:5 Meek • Matt 5:3 Poor in spirit • Matt 5:6 Hunger and thirst for righteousness • Matt 5:10

RESULTS

VV15-16 Earthly	VV18 Godly
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disorder - broken hearts, homes and lives. Strife, confusion and want. • Every vile practice - evil practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A harvest of righteousness in peace

V. CONCLUSION AND RESPONSE

Closing Song *May The Mind Of Christ My Saviour*

Authors: Kate B. Wilkinson, Dorothy Ann Thrupp

May the mind of Christ, my Saviour,
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing,
This is victory.

BENEDICTION

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

1. Notice the pursuit of wisdom in Genesis 3 - why did this pursuit of wisdom end so badly? (cf. James 3:14-15 and especially Gen 3:6)
2. Consider wisdom in the light of Proverbs 1:7; 2:1-6; 9:10 - what is the key relationship involved and how is it to be expressed?
3. Can you think of examples where jealousy and selfish ambition have masqueraded as true wisdom?
4. Compare the characteristics of wisdom from above [James 3:17-18] with the Jesus Beatitudes [Matt 5:1-12] and the fruit of the Spirit [Gal 5:22-23] - what are the implications of this teaching?

NB: Consider the place of gospel life in the discussion about "wisdom."

NOTICES

Encouragement Groups

Torbay

- When** Sunday evenings, 6:30 pm (***Please note: from the 5th of May this group will be meeting at 7:30 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, 7:00 pm
- Where** Bruners' home, 18A Ballymore Drive Pinehill
- Contact** Pastor Dave 022 477 4978

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 8th of May (2nd and 4th Wed of the month)

Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

When 1st Sunday of the month, next: 5th of May, *next week*

Men's ministry

What Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young)
Looking at the issues and challenges facing men today in light of the Gospel of Christ.

When Thursday. 9th of May, 7:30 pm, (monthly 2nd Thursday)

Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay. We'll begin the talk/discussion time at 7:30, but feel free to come around 7:00 and there will be sausages, salad and beverages to enjoy.

Contact Pastor Dave 022 477 4978

Women's Ministry

What *Ladies Bible Study and Fellowship – all ages*

Looking together at Paul Tripp's book "*Whiter than Snow*" on Psalm 51.

Please come, even if you don't have a copy of Tripp's book.

When Next study on Thursday 9th of May, 7:15 p.m. for a 7:30 start, to finish by 8:30 p.m. (2nd and 4th Thursday of each month).

Where TBA

Please note *Coming soon.* a series of 10 studies from the book, "The Coming King: Study of Mark's Gospel, chapters 1-8" by Tim Chester.

Ladies Brunch

What A ladies brunch planned to spend time together celebrating

What A ladies brunch planned to spend time together celebrating "Motherhood" - (both spiritual and physical). Make a plan now before the Lord to invite friends along. Any queries please see Janet, Christine or Cathy.

When Saturday the 11th of May

Where TBA

Confident Christianity Course

What THINKING MATTERS ministries. Defending the Faith in modern times and equipping Christians to represent Christ's message in a changing world.

When 7th to 8th June, Friday night and all day Saturday

Where Northcross Community Church, 826a East Coast Rd, Browns Bay

REGISTER BEFORE 10TH MAY FOR JUST \$79 PER ADULT & YOUTH \$59

Full brochure available on table back of the church.

Six Steps to Talking About Jesus

What We plan to do a series of studies in the Encouragement Groups called "***Six Steps to Talking about Jesus***". We all know we are meant to be witnesses for Him, and the world needs us to do that but there are things that hold us back. This helpful material covers:

- i. the core motivation for reaching out to others;
- ii. how to depend on God in prayer;
- iii. how to invite people to read a book or come to an event;
- iv. how to tell your own story of what God has done for you in Christ;
- v. how to explain the gospel of Jesus in a simple way.

When We plan to start this course after Easter and school break.

- The first evening for the ***Pinehill Encouragement Group*** will be Thursday the 2nd of May at 7:00 pm.
- The first evening for the ***Torbay Encouragement Group*** will be Sunday the 5th of May at 7:30 pm (Please note new time for this group).

Please pray about your involvement. Even if you don't currently attend an Encouragement Group it would be well worthwhile to set aside time for this course.

Please see Pastor Pete if you have any questions.

Pastor Pete away

Today Pastor Pete is in Sydney speaking at Harbour City Church's Annual Retreat and then will take opportunity to visit with his mum near Melbourne.

In his absence, Ian Grant is preaching from the book of James, thanks Ian. ***Please note Encouragement Group lunch at Boyd's home will still be on today.***

Peter will be back next Sunday the 5th of May, but David Bruner will be preaching, thanks Dave.

Young Adults Equipping Class

What An early Saturday morning Equipping Class, with Pastor Pete, for young adults, starting with a study of the Westminster Confession of Faith to become familiar with the basic Reformed Theology of the Church. This will be a teaching/question/discussion time over about an hour and a half.

Please let Pastor Pete know if you are interested in being part of this study so we can plan the best time for it.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 5 th of May – 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	Karen v B & Anna Knapp	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Malcolm & Keith	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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