

# **Welcome to Worship**

SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OF JUNE 2019

Celebration of the Lord's Supper



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** 1 Peter 1:3-5<sup>1</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

#### Prayer with 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.<sup>2</sup>

# Songs of Adoration<sup>3</sup> & Praise Mighty To Save

Authors: Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan Everyone needs compassion A love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Everyone needs forgiveness

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All passages of Scripture taken from the English Standard Version.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Adapted from the Anglican Prayer Book

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Adoration: the act of paying honour, as to a divine being; worship; reverent homage; fervent and devoted love.

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.

### See What A Morning

Authors: Kieth & Kristin Getty See, what a morning, gloriously bright With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light As the angels announce, "Christ is risen" See God's salvation plan Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice Fulfilled in Christ, the man For He lives, Christ is risen from the dead

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb Hears a voice speaking, calling her name It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again

> The voice that spans the years Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us Will sound till He appears For He lives, Christ is risen from the dead

One with the Father, Ancient of Days Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty Honor and blessing, glory and praise To the King crowned with pow'r and authority *And we are raised with Him Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered And we shall reign with Him For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead* 

Profession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism 45 and 52<sup>4</sup>

Question 45.How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?AnswerFirst, by his resurrection he has overcome death so thathe might makeus share in the righteousness he obtained for us by hisdeath. Second,by his power we too are already raised to a new life.Third, Christ'sresurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessedresurrection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Heidelberg Catechism is a 16<sup>th</sup> Century document setting out a biblical faith. A Catechism is a helpful means of learning the Christian faith by memorizing and understanding questions and answers.

**Question 52** How does Christ's return "to judge the living and the dead" comfort you?

**Answer** In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me.

Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

**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** John 20:19-31 (Church Bible p906)

# 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 (p12) for further information about the offering.

# **Song of preparation for hearing God's Word** *Rock of Ages*

Author: Augustus M. Toplady Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure; Save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labour of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to the cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

# **Message** John 20:19-31 Overview of the Bible 2 *"Resurrection: the key chapter in the story"*

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

#### INTRODUCTION

#### I. THE IMPORTANCE OF GRASPING THE BIBLE'S BIG STORY

A. Summary

B. The overarching theme, big story, meta-narrative

C. Context, context, context

#### II. THE CRUCIAL CONFESSION OF BELIEVING THOMAS

A. The chapter on which the whole plot turns

B. The central confession

C. The character and purpose of God

D. The centrality of Christ

E. The closing chapter pre-figured

**CONCLUSION – The vision that changes everything** 

**The Lord's Supper** *Who is this for?* Jesus himself has appointed this means of remembering His death on the cross and the benefits that come to us. It is an opportunity to feed on Him by faith and to be strengthened as His followers. Therefore, it is appropriate that only those who are truly Christians should participate. That is, those who profess faith in Christ as Saviour and Lord, who are baptised into His church and who seek to live obedient lives. If this does not describe you, we encourage you not to take the bread or wine but to use the opportunity to consider the things you have heard in today's service and to consider the claims of Christ and what they mean for you. You may find some help in one of the prayers printed on page 13. If you have questions about these things, please contact Pastor Peter.

## Song of preparation for the Lord's Supper

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken Authors: Reginald Heber, Zac Hicks Bread of the world, in mercy broken Wine of the soul, in mercy shed By Whom the words of life were spoken And in Whose death our sins are dead

Look on the heart by sorrow broken Look on the tears by sinners shed And be Thy feast to us the token That by Thy grace our souls are fed

Have mercy, have mercy, have mercy on us Here is mercy, here is mercy, here is mercy for us

So let us come to the feast of Jesus Let us eat of the Bread of Life Let us drink of the wine, His blood To talk and dine with Jesus Christ (**Repeat Stanza**)

To talk and dine with Jesus Christ

# Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup> In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

<sup>27</sup> Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup> Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. <sup>29</sup> For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgement on himself.

# Prayer Paul Burton

Closing Song 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

#### **BENEDICTION<sup>5</sup>**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 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.

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 (<u>cathytasker@gmail.com</u>).

## Silent Prayers for use during the Lord's Supper

**Prayer of uncertainty** God, I don't even know if you exist or if I'm just talking to myself. If you are real, please help me to come to know you. Open my heart and my mind to consider the truth claims of Jesus who is called the Christ. Help me to see both my need for you and how Jesus is the provision for that need. Give me the answers I need and dissolve any dishonest objections that I hold to your existence Amen.

**Prayer for those searching for truth** Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

**Prayer of belief** Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Saviour. Amen.

**Prayer of commitment** Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

**Prayer for those struggling with sin** Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfilment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

**Prayer for the believer** Father, I come now to your table, to partake of Christ's body and blood in holy communion. I ask that you would search my heart and show me my failings and sins so that I may repent and turn to embrace your promises anew. Although I am unworthy, you have made me worthy. Though I am a sinner, you have taken away my sins by your very own body and blood. May you be glorified in our partaking of your sacrament. Amen.

# NOTICES

**Encouragement Groups** 

Torbay

When	Sunday evenings, 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

# Pinehill

WhenThursdays – 1st, 3rd (and 5th) of the month, 7:00 pmWhereBruners' home, 18A Ballymore Drive PinehillContactPastor Dave 022 477 4978

#### Six Steps to Talking About Jesus

- What We are doing 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.

#### Prayer Meeting

When7:15, 12th of June (2nd and 4th Wed of the month)WhereBoyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

#### Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

When 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, next: 7<sup>th</sup> of July

#### Men's ministry

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

WhenThursday the 13th of June, 7:30 pm, (monthly 2nd Thursday)WhereTBA

Contact Pastor Dave 022 477 4978

#### Women's Ministry

# What Ladies Bible Study and Fellowship – all ages Looking together at "The Coming King: Study of Mark's Gospel, chapters 1-8" by Tim Chester. When Next study on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> of June, 7:15 p.m. for a 7:30 start, to finish by 8:30 p.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month).

Where TBA

#### **Confident Christianity Course**

- What THINKING MATTERS ministries. Defending the Faith in modern times and equipping Christians to represent Christs message in a changing world.
- **When** 7<sup>th</sup> to 8th June, Friday night and all day Saturday
- WhereNorthcross Community Church, 826aEast Coast Rd, Browns BayFull brochure available on table back of the church.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 9 <sup>th</sup> of June									
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	Kerin	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Seth and Chris Burton	Volunteers	Volunteers			



**PASTOR PETER BOYD** 

Office 473 9390 Mobile 021 0367 957 Email petethepastor@shorepres.org.nz PO Box 89076 Torbay Auckland 0742 shorepres.org.nz Ask questions: shorepres.org.nz/connect