

# **Welcome to Worship**

SUNDAY 9th OF JUNE 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 106:1-5<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!
  - Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
  - for his steadfast love endures for ever!
- <sup>2</sup> Who can utter the mighty deeds of the Lord, or declare all his praise?
- <sup>3</sup> Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!
- <sup>4</sup> Remember me, O Lord, when you show favour to your people; help me when you save them,
- <sup>5</sup> that I may look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, that I may glory with your inheritance.

# **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

# **Songs of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise** At The Fountain

Authors: Pacific Crossroads Church

There is healing at the fountain Come and find it weary soul, There your sins will all be covered Jesus waits to make you whole

> O the blessed healing fountain I'm so glad it's flowing free O the precious cleansing fountain Praise the Lord it washes over me!

There is healing at the fountain
Look to Jesus now and live
At the cross lay all your burdens
All your wanderings He'll forgive

O the blessed healing fountain I'm so glad it's flowing free O the precious cleansing fountain Praise the Lord it washes over me!

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Adoration: the act of paying honour, as to a divine being; worship; reverent homage; fervent and devoted love.

There is healing at the fountain Precious fountain filled with blood, Come o come the Saviour calls you, Come and plunge beneath this flood.

O the blessed healing fountain
I'm so glad it's flowing free
O the precious cleansing fountain
Praise the Lord it washes over me! (REPEAT)

#### Your Love Oh Lord

Author: Mac Powell

Your love, oh Lord
Reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide
I will lift my voice
To worship you, my King
I will find my strength
In the shadow of your wings (REPEAT)

**Profession of Faith:** The Apostle's Creed<sup>3</sup>

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Apostle's Creed represents the earliest and most widespread expression of faith among Christians throughout the history of the Church.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic<sup>4</sup> church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.** 

**Ministry Moment** Gift of Westminster Confession of Faith.

**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 106:6-23 (Church Bible p505)

# **Song of Assurance** Before The Throne Of God Above

Authors: Charitie Lees Bancroft, Vikki Cook.

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great high priest whose name is "Love,"
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The term "catholic" here means "worldwide" and "universal" in regards to the church and is not referring to any particular denomination.

My sinful soul is counted free; For God, the just, is satisfied To look on him and pardon me. To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Saviour and my God
With Christ, my Saviour and my God

# Song of preparation for hearing God's Word | Love You Lord

Author: Laurie B. Klein
I love you Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship you
Oh my soul rejoice,
Take joy my king
In what you hear
May it be a sweet sweet sound
In your ears.

# 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.

**Scripture Reading** Exodus 6:1-8 (Church Bible p48)

# **Message** Exodus 6:1-8 Overview of the Bible 3 "Exodus: Pattern of Redemption"

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

message	
Message outline for your r	notes, thoughts, questions
INTRODUCTION Why	y the Exodus?
1.	
2.	
3.	
I. THE PRESENT GOD	
A. YHWH	
B. I will be there f	for you
C. I will act on you	ur behalf
D. The idols are n	othing

#### II. THE PERSONAL GOD

#### III. THE PROMISE MAKING AND KEEPING GOD

- A. The Promises are not new
- B. God's name is the guarantee
- C. The Promises express the nature of redemption
  - i. Deliverance from oppression
  - ii. Creation of a community
  - iii. Into personal relationship
  - iv. The blessing of a place and a future

**CONCLUSION – All fulfilled in Jesus Christ** 

#### Closing Song 10,000 Reasons

Author: Matt Redman

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger Your name is great, and your heart is kind For all your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul I'll worship your holy name

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name (REPEAT)

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

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<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.

# **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**

When Thursdays – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (and 5<sup>th</sup>) of the month, 7:00 pm

Where Bruners' home, 18A Ballymore Drive Pinehill

Contact Pastor 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**

When 7:15, 12<sup>th</sup> of June (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month), *this week* 

Where Boyd'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

#### Wedding Invitation – woohoo!

What Emilia Burton and Samuel Edwards, together with our parents,

invite all our Shore Pres family to share in our happiness as we

exchange marriage vows.

When 2:00 pm Saturday 27 July

Where Totara Springs Christian Camp, 288c Taihoa North Road,

Matamata with afternoon tea to follow.

**Note** To assist with afternoon tea preparation, an indication of likely

attendance would be much appreciated -

Contact samuelemilia2019@gmail.com or 027 348 3666

#### **Grace Theological College**

#### Equip yourself for service

Please note the Course Offerings for the second Semester are now available. Check the back table for information and take the opportunity to deepen your faith and strengthen your gifts in His service.

#### 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 the 13<sup>th</sup> of June, 7:30 pm, (monthly 2nd Thursday)

Where TBA

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. *This week: Chapter 3, Mark 2 - 3:35* 

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 Janet's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

#### **Fearless Faith Conference**

What Fearless Faith Conference with Josh McDowell and Sean

McDowell,

When 6:30 pm, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of July to 4:30 pm, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> of July

**Where** Harbourside Church, 48 Esmonde Road, Takapuna ( More details here: <a href="https://fearlessfaith.thinkingmatters.org.nz/">https://fearlessfaith.thinkingmatters.org.nz/</a>

**Thinking Matters** is a ministry encouraging New Zealand Christians to explore WHAT they believe, and WHY they believe it, so they can engage the world around them and present the Christian faith gracefully and persuasively. Learn more at www.ThinkingMatters.org.nz

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 16 <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	Christine	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Callum and Keith	Volunteers	Volunteers		

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 (<a href="mailto:cathytasker@gmail.com">cathytasker@gmail.com</a>).

Shore Presbyterian Church Giving Information

# Some of the basic commitments of Shore Pres for your interest (more available on the website: shorepres.org.nz)

We want to be a community of grace. The Church has not always represented Jesus well; sometimes it has been harsh and hurtful. Often people are struggling with great hurts in life as well as great questions and doubts. We desire to be a community that provides acceptance and allows for time to heal and room to work through doubts and fears as we all learn together from the grace and wisdom that Jesus offers.

We want to love and to serve. One of the great joys of being a Christian is in knowing how much Jesus, who is God, has loved and served us. So in response we seek to love and serve others, both within the Christian community and into the community in which we live. We hope that the warmth of our Sunday meetings expresses something of that Jesus kind of love.

We want to worship. We are committed to meeting to worship God for His glory and grace and that our gathered worship is the high point of our lives. We also believe that worship extends to every part of our lives and our daily pursuits and that we serve and honour Him in all that we do. We are committed to corporate worship that embraces and respects those who may not yet believe. For that reason we try to practice a worship that is orderly and understandable; and that does not demand any more involvement than a visitor is willing or able to give.

We want to be missional. That is to say we don't believe we exist as Christians for our own sake. Rather Christ has commanded and modelled for us a way of life marked by neighbour love. We are to do good in the world and to care for our culture and our communities. We are to serve Him where we worship, where we work, where we study, where we live, even where we play. We also believe that the Good News of sins forgiven and everlasting life through the death and resurrection of Jesus is the message that everyone needs to hear.

We believe the Bible. That is to say, we believe that the Bible is the Word of God and that that is where God speaks authoritatively. The Bible is the place to find answers to the great questions of life. So the Bible takes central place in our worship, our gatherings and in our lives.

We believe the Gospel. We believe the Good News that Jesus is the Son of God who died and rose again to bring us into an eternal relationship with God through the forgiveness of sins.

We believe in Jesus. We believe that the man Jesus was born of a virgin and is the Son of God, that He lived a fully obedient life and gave His life as a substitute on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins so that we could be forgiven, declared righteous in Him and live forever with Him in a new heaven and a new earth. We believe He rose from the dead and reigns now and will come again in victory.

We are Confessional. We also hold to a statement of beliefs called the Westminster Confession of Faith. It is secondary to the Bible but helpfully sets out in ordered form what we believe the Bible teaches on important doctrines. Elders and pastors vow commitment to that confession at their ordination.

We are Presbyterian. This relates particularly to our form of government. Local church is led by elders who conform to biblical standards for leadership and are elected by the congregation who desire their spiritual care and oversight. Elders from a number of local churches also serve in regional bodies called Presbytery, which also provides wider wisdom and help to the local congregations. The Church leadership also meets once a year in a national assembly to consult on matters of importance to the whole church.

We are Reformed. Our doctrinal standards reflect something of the theology of the Reformation in Europe and Great Britain which revived a number of key biblical commitments: Scripture alone, salvation through faith alone, by grace alone, through Christ alone for the glory of God alone. The Reformed faith has a strong sense of the sovereignty of God over the world, its people and its history, and calls for us to submit to His sovereignty in our own lives. This we gladly do since we believe the biblical view is the only one that makes sense of reality.

We are Complementarian. We take seriously what the Bible teaches about the creation of men and women, that they equally bear the image and likeness of God and are equal in dignity and worth. We also believe the Bible teaches unique roles for men and women which are not about status but about finding fulfilment in serving God in the ways He has designed.

We are Covenantal. We believe that God in Christ makes a commitment to His people which the Bible calls a covenant. It expresses His abiding faithfulness to His promises and calls us also to our responsibility in the covenant arrangement to be obedient and faithful. In particular the Bible teaches that God makes a commitment to Christian families which give great spiritual privileges to the children and remind them that they have great responsibility to walk in the faith of their parents which is their spiritual inheritance, and that to rebel brings greater judgement. We believe that children should receive the blessing of baptism because of the position they have before God.

**User warning:** It's a little risky to state right up front what we believe. Such things can be open to misunderstanding or simply viewed as arrogant. Nevertheless not stating them is just as problematical since it leaves people in the dark about what we are committed to. And the bottom line is that for the church to be the church it is significantly committed to something. That being said, please recognise that these are simple statements for ease of reading. They cannot answer all the questions they may create. Those discussions are left to other opportunities – like visiting with us to hear more or by contacting Peter our pastor to discuss them.



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