

# **Welcome to Worship**

SUNDAY 13th OF OCTOBER 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 115:1-11<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!
- <sup>2</sup> Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
- <sup>3</sup> Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.
- <sup>4</sup> Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands.
- <sup>5</sup> They have mouths, but do not speak; eyes, but do not see.
- <sup>6</sup> They have ears, but do not hear; noses, but do not smell.
- <sup>7</sup> They have hands, but do not feel; feet, but do not walk; and they do not make a sound in their throat.
- <sup>8</sup> Those who make them become like them; so do all who trust in them.
- <sup>9</sup> O Israel, trust in the Lord! He is their help and their shield.
- <sup>10</sup> O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord! He is their help and their shield.
- <sup>11</sup> You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord! He is their help and their shield.

#### **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

# Songs of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise All Must Be Well

Authors: Mary Bowly Peters, Matthew Smith

Through the love of God our Saviour, all will be well Free and changeless is His favour, all is well Precious is the blood that healed us Perfect is the grace that sealed us Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us All must be well

<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.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well On our Father's love relying Jesus every need supplying Yes in living or in dying All must be well (Repeat: On our Father's...)

## A Song for Grace and Help Help My Unbelief

Authors: John Newton, Cliff Wells
I know the Lord is nigh,
And would but cannot pray,
For Satan meets me when I try,
And frights my soul away.
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,
Though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent
Till Jesus makes it soft.
Till Jesus make it soft.

Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief. My help must come from Thee.

I would but cannot love,
Though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move
A soul as base as mine.
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest,

In God's most holy will;
I know what He appoints is best,
And murmur at it still.
I murmur at it still.
Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
My help must come from Thee. (REPEAT)

## **Time of Confession and Repentance** Psalm 32:1-5

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- <sup>3</sup> For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.
- <sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
- I acknowledged my sin to you,
   and I did not cover my iniquity;
   I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord",
   and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

#### **Assurance of Grace** Psalm 32:6-7, 10-11

- <sup>6</sup> Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.
- <sup>7</sup> You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. ...
- <sup>10</sup> Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.
- <sup>11</sup> Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

# **Song of Assurance** There Is A Fountain

Author: William Cowper

There is a fountain filled with blood Drawn from Emmanuel's veins; And sinners plunged beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains.

> Lose all their guilty stains, Lose all their guilty stains; And sinners plunged beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day; And there may I, though vile as he, Wash all my sins away.

> Wash all my sins away, Wash all my sins away; And there may I, though vile as he, Wash all my sins away.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply, Redeeming love has been my theme, And shall be till I die.

> And shall be till I die, And shall be till I die; Redeeming love has been my theme, And shall be till I die.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its power Till all the ransomed church of God Be saved, to sin no more.

> Be saved, to sin no more, Be saved, to sin no more; Till all the ransomed church of God Be saved, to sin no more.

**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 Judges 6:11-17; 7:1-7, 19-22 (Church Bible p205)

## Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

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.

## 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 (p19) for further information about the offering.

**Message** Judges 6:11-17; 7:1-7, 19-22; 8:22-28 *"Inexhaustible Grace"* 

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

#### INTRODUCTION

- I. HOW TO WIN BATTLES JUDGES 6
  - A. The chaos of idolatry

B. The "mighty man of valour"

- II. HOW TO LOSE YOUR SOUL JUDGES 7-8
  - A. The dangers of success

B. God's provision in need

III. HOW TO LIVE BY INEXHAUSTIBLE GRACE

# Closing Song Nothing But The Blood Of Jesus

Author: Robert Lowry

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Oh precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my pardon this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Oh precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

> Oh precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus

## BENEDICTION<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</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.

#### **Encouragement Group Discussion Questions**

**Scripture Reading** Judges 6:11-17; 7:1-7, 19-22; 8:22-28

- 1. Like in the book of Judges, have you ever seen worship of idols (i.e. making anything besides God like finances, looks, success, relationship, leisure pursuits, family, etc. our ultimate measure of worth) lead to chaos in your life or the lives of others near to you?
- 2. Reflect on how God calls Gideon a "mighty man of valour" even though he is the opposite, and then leads him to grow in a Kingdom endeavour far beyond his competence by faith. Can you think of a Kingdom endeavour in which God may be leading you to grow far beyond your competence? What would it look like to follow Him in this area?
- 3. What does Gideon's story show us about the dangers of success? How in your life have you seen success lead to trouble, and how can looking outside ourselves to Jesus help us in both times of failure and success?

# **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

Meets for bring & share lunch, last Sunday of the month

Please note This group is postponed this evening

#### **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

#### Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

When 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, next: 3<sup>rd</sup> of November

#### **Prayer Meeting**

When 7:15, 23<sup>rd</sup> of October (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)

Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

# **Invitation from Covenant Presbyterian Church**

**What** An invitation to the "Covenant Youth's Survivor Camp"

**When** 6<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of December

Register at https:/tinyurl.com/covenantyouthcamp2019

Cost \$50 Check flyer on the back table

#### 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 14<sup>th</sup> of November, 7:30 pm, (monthly 2nd Thursday)

Where Steve Bilton's, 2/11 Regatta Road Torbay

Contact Pastor Dave 022 477 4978 or Steve 022 647 0931

#### **Opportunity to serve your Church family at Shore Pres**

Every Sunday morning there are people who serve in the Kitchen or set up and put away the stuff in the hall. These quiet ministries help make Church life and worship happen and serve the Gospel as we welcome friends who are asking about Jesus.

If you haven't taken up this opportunity yet, please let Christine Grant know. We always have three people on Hall duty and can put 2 people on Kitchen duty if you find that works better for you. Thank you.

#### **Women's Ministry**

What Ladies Bible Study and Fellowship – all ages

**When** Currently on break for October

Where TBA

• Also Ladies Christmas Event – mark your diaries for 7<sup>th</sup> of December

• Women's' Retreat in 2020 – watch this space for updates

# Wedding Invitation – woohoo!

**What** Jesse Son and Jess Hwang invite all our Shore Pres family to share

in the joy of our Wedding Day.

When 1:00 pm Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> of OctoberWhere St Leonards Chapel and Gardens

1 St Leonards Rd, Belmont, Auckland 0622

Photos and reception to follow (lots of tasty Korean food :D)

Please RSVP by informing Jess or Jesse if possible!

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 20 <sup>th</sup> of October						
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	Ariel	Dennis van Bemmelen	Dennis, Tom and Oliver	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 (<a href="mailto:cathytasker@gmail.com">cathytasker@gmail.com</a>).



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