



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 24th OF NOVEMBER 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 Ephesians 2:4-9¹

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Prayer of adoration and confession

Songs of Adoration² & 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?

*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! Bow down we must,

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.

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)*

Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

Author: J. Wilbur Chapman

Jesus, what a friend for sinners
Jesus, lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Saviour, makes me whole
*Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.*

Jesus, what a strength in weakness
Let me hide myself in Him.
Tempted, tried, and often failing,
He, my strength, my victory wins.
*Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.*

Jesus, what a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul.
*Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.*

Jesus, I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find.
He has granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine.

Hallelujah, what a Saviour!
Hallelujah, what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end. (REPEAT)

Scripture Meditation Ephesians 3:14-19

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Corporate prayer of assurance and thanksgiving

Psalm 103:1-5, 8-19

Leader Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,**

Leader who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

People **who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

Leader The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People **He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

Leader He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

People For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;

Leader as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

People As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Leader For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

People As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like flower of the field;

Leader for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

ALL *But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments. The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.*

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)

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 Ruth 4:1-12 (page 224 in Church Bible)

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 (p15) for further information about the offering.

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word *Jesus Paid It All*

Author: Elvina M. Hall

I hear the Saviour say,
"Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in me thine all in all."

*Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.*

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone.

*Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.*

And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat.

*Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow. (REPEAT)*

Message *Ruth 4:1-12 "There is a redeemer"*

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. A SELFISH-REDEEMER

a. He was willing to help the poor

b. If he gained

II. A SELFLESS REDEEMER

a. The price he pays

b. The purpose for which he pays

c. God's maths is different to ours

III. THE MODEL OF A SELFLESS REDEEMER

IV. THE ULTIMATE SELFLESS REDEEMER

a. Society's redemptive promise

b. The price He pays

c. For whom He pays

d. The purpose for which He pays

CONCLUSION God's maths for us

Closing Song *Leaning on The Everlasting Arms*

Author: Author: E.A. Hoffman

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

BENEDICTION³

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 Ruth 4:1-12

1. How does this part of Ruth's story give you hope?
2. Discuss the nearer Kinsman-Redeemer and the choices he makes. How is he like the world? How do you see your own heart reflected in his?
3. Thinking about Boaz, what does he offer to do? What cost is involved for him? What does he give to Naomi and Ruth?
4. How do we see our own hearts and needs reflected in the Book of Judges (see 21:25), in Naomi and in Ruth?
5. How is the redemption that comes in Jesus pictured in what Boaz does and how does this answer our own hearts and needs?
6. What does it cost to follow Jesus and is it worth it? How? (see Matthew 16:24-26).
7. How can we live out the same character of selfless sacrifice to others? How will that effect the way we do Church and fellowship and live in our neighborhoods and do our jobs?

Some thoughts ...

"There is a redeemer
Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One

Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain

Thank you, oh my father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
'Til the work on Earth is done

When I stand in Glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place

Thank you, oh my father ...

Keith Green

“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose”

Jim Elliott

NOTICES

Encouragement Groups

Torbay

When Sunday evenings, 6:30 pm ***Currently on break***
Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive Torbay
Contact Pastor Pete 473 9390 or 021 0367 957
Note Bring & share lunch, last Sunday of the month,

Pinehill

When Thursday evenings, 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: 1st of December.
Please note, fellowship lunch postponed until the 8th of December

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 27th of Nov (2nd and 4th Wed of the month), ***this week***
Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Women's Ministry

- What** Ladies Bible Study and fellowship - all ages
When Currently on break
Where TBA
Also Women's Retreat in 2020 – watch this space for updates

Ladies Christmas Event

- What** Progressive Dinner – for all the ladies
When Saturday 7th of December, starting at 5:30 pm
Where Venues to be advised

Men's ministry

- What** Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young)
Looking at the issues facing men today in light of the Gospel of Christ
When Thursday 12th of December, 7:30 pm, (monthly 2nd Thursday)
Where TBA
Contact Pastor Dave 022 477 4978 or Steve 022 647 0931

Invitation from Covenant Presbyterian Church

- What** An invitation to *"The Covenant Youth Survivors Camp"*
When 6th to the 8th of December
Where A farm South of Auckland
Cost \$50 ***Check flyer on back table***
Register at <https://tinyurl.com/covenantyouthcamp2019>

Shore Presbyterian Annual General Meeting

- What** The membership will have opportunity particularly to see and approve the budget and to hear news and information regarding the church's life
When Sunday the 24th of November, after morning worship, ***today***

Shore Presbyterian Church Family Camp

- What** A weekend of fun, fellowship and growth
Where Mangawhai Heads
When Friday evening the 20th to Sunday the 22nd of March 2020

Combined Presbytery Service

What An opportunity to share in worship and meet brothers and sisters from the other Auckland Grace Presbyterian Churches. At this service the Northern Presbytery will be installing Pastor Steve Panapa into his new role as Pastor of Providence Presbyterian Church, Mangere. That's something to celebrate!

When 2:00 pm, Sunday the 24th of November, **today**

Where 22 Rosella Rd, Mangere East

Bring a plate for afternoon tea.

Christmas Notices

Some dates to mark in your diary:

- ***Browns Bay Carols on the Green*** *Friday the 6th of December*
- ***Shore Pres*** *No Christmas Day service this year but a special service on Sunday the 22nd at 10 am.*
- ***A Very Long Bay Christmas*** *Saturday the 14th of December*
 Shore Pres has volunteered to supply first aid personnel and be involved with the music (there will be several practices for the music). We will also hand out flyers in Long Bay after worship on the 8th of Dec. If you can help, please let Peter or Malcolm know **ASAP**.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 1st of December

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	Cathy and Ariel	Dennis	Dennis, Malcolm and Tom	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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