



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 24th OF MAY 2020

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian
Church of New Zealand



Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

Call to Worship Psalm 36:5-9¹

- ⁵ Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.
- ⁶ Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgements are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, O Lord.
- ⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- ⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- ⁹ For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.

Prayer of Adoration and Approach

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.

¹ All passages of Scripture taken from the English Standard Version.

Assurance of Grace Isaiah 1:18; Psalm 103:11,12;

¹⁸ “Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;

¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Songs of Adoration² & Praise *Across the Lands*

Authors: Stuart Townend

You're the Word of God the Father,
From before the world began;
Every star and every planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea.
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free.

²Adoration: the act of paying honour, as to a divine being; worship; reverent homage; fervent and devoted love.

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home.

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You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

Pastoral Prayer

Please feel free to send a text through on 021 0367 957 or use the sidebar chat to send a request (just to Pastor Pete) or share live.

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 Hebrews 13 (Church Bible p1009) *Steve*

Dedication of offering, prayer for children & today's message

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 (p8) for further information about the offering.

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word *Speak O Lord*

Authors: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory.

Message Hebrews 13:9-14 *"Feasting on Christ's Abundance"*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions...

INTRODUCTION

I. THE TRUE AND SATSFYING FOOD, verses 9-10

II. THE TRUE AND SUFFICIENT SAVIOUR, verses 11-12

III. THE TRUE AND LASTING CITY, verses 13-14

Closing Song *This I Believe*

Authors: Ben Fielding and Matt Crocker

Our Father everlasting

The all creating one

God Almighty

Through your Holy Spirit

Conceiving Christ the Son

Jesus our Saviour

I believe in God our Father

I believe in Christ the Son

I believe in the Holy Spirit

Our God is three in one

I believe in the resurrection

*That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus*

Our Judge and our Defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in you
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus*

I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe, in the name of Jesus

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus
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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 Hebrews 13:1-14

1. Think again, as an opener, about this question from last week: As we seek to persevere in faith, what is the liberating glory of those words in verse 8:
“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever”?
2. **Verses 9-10.** What are the diverse and strange teachings that could lead these readers away? What could they be for us today? Think about Christ being “the true and satisfying food” and discuss what are those things that promise “life” but do not fulfil. How can we find our all in all in Christ?
3. **Verses 11-12.** What is the sacrifice being referred to here and why is it burned outside the camp (See Leviticus 16 for background)? How do these verses affirm that Jesus Christ is “the true and sufficient Saviour”? What does He fulfil and replace? What does this mean for us? What does it mean to say that Christ is THE Sacrifice, THE Priest, THE Altar and THE Temple?
4. **Verses 13-14.** How are these verses a summation of the whole point of the Letter to the Hebrews? How do they call you to a response and what is the wonderful thing they hold before you? Discuss what that ‘lasting city’ is.

NOTICES

Encouragement Groups

Torbay/Browns Bay

When Every Thursday, 7:00-8:30 pm,
Where **Check with the contact person!**
Contact Paul Burton 473 0086 or 021 253 0980

Glenfield

When Every Tuesday, 8:00–9:30 pm
Where **Check with the contact person!**
Contact Tom Wilson 027 785 1332

Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

When 1st Sunday of the month, next: 7th of June. Looking forward to being able to have a fellowship meal together in the Lord's timing.

Prayer Meeting

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

Need of a Church Treasurer

Cathy Tasker has been faithfully serving as Church Treasurer but as we anticipate the Taskers leaving for Palmerston North we will need a replacement. We will probably start using the Xero Accounting system which may make things a little easier.

If there is a member with skills who would like to serve in this way please ask Cathy about the role or let Peter or an Elder know of your interest.

Food Bank

During the Covid-19 crises many community needs have arisen due to job losses etc. We wanted to be able to help out with some of these needs in our local area and so have decided to partner with the Long Bay Baptist Church Food Bank which has received a large number of requests.

As a Church Family we have the opportunity to donate food products to build up their supply. Our suggestion is that you add the words “food bank” to your Shopping List and when you have a bit of a supply saved up, let Cathy Tasker know (021 0255 8854) and she will pick it up and deliver it to the Food Bank. Here is a list of the staples most needed:

- Breakfast cereals, porridge.
- Tins- baked beans, vegetables, tomatoes, fruit.
- Meal in a can-soups, Big Eat.
- Pasta – Rice.
- Noodles – dried & instant
- Sauces – tin/jar, pasta sauces, gravy,/sauces sachets.
- Biscuits, crackers, muesli bars.
- UHT milk, milk powder.
- Tea bags
- Instant coffee.
- Toothpaste.
- Toilet rolls.
- Soup.

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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