



## **Welcome to Worship**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OF JANUARY 2021**

**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 Psalm 145:3-9<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>3</sup> Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.
- <sup>4</sup> One generation shall commend your works to another,  
and shall declare your mighty acts.
- <sup>5</sup> On the glorious splendour of your majesty,  
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- <sup>6</sup> They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,  
and I will declare your greatness.
- <sup>7</sup> They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness  
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- <sup>9</sup> The Lord is good to all,  
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

## Prayer of adoration and approach

### Songs of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise *Revelation Song*

Author: Jennie Lee Riddle

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Holy, holy is he

Sing a new song to him who sits on

Heaven's mercy seat (**REPEAT**)

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty*

*Who was and is and is to come*

*With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings*

*You are my everything and I will adore you*

Clothed in rainbows of living colour

Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder

Blessing and honour strength and glory and power be

To you the only wise King

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

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

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings  
You are my everything and I will adore you*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of your name  
Jesus, your name is power, breath and living water  
Such a marvelous mystery  
*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings  
You are my everything and I will adore you (REPEAT)*

### **Scripture Reading** 1 John 1:5-10

<sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup> If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practise the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup> If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

### **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>3</sup>

### **Scripture Reading** 1 John 2:1

<sup>2:1</sup> My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

### **Profession of Faith** *The Apostle's Creed*<sup>4</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.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the holy catholic<sup>5</sup> church, the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

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<sup>3</sup> Adapted from the Anglican Prayer Book

<sup>4</sup> The Apostle's Creed represents the earliest and most widespread expression of faith among Christians throughout the history of the Church.

<sup>5</sup> The term "catholic" here means "worldwide" and "universal" in regards to the church and is not referring to any particular denomination.

## **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** Isaiah 1:1 - 1:20 (Church Bible p566)

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

### *How Great Is Our God*

Author: Chris Tomlin

The splendour of the King, clothed in majesty,  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,  
And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice.

*How great is our God, sing with me,  
How great is our God, all will see,  
How great, how great is our God.*

Age to age he stands, and time is in his hands,  
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.  
The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son,  
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

*How great is our God, sing with me,  
How great is our God, all will see,  
How great, how great is our God.*

Name above all names,  
Worthy of all praise,  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God.

*How great is our God, sing with me,  
How great is our God, all will see,  
How great, how great is our God.*

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 1:21-2:5 (Church Bible p567)

*Jesse Son*

### **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 (p11) for further information about the offering.

### **Message** Isaiah 1:1 – 2:5 *“God’s Overture to His People”*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

### **Introduction**

**Isaiah 1:1 - 2:5** functions as an introduction to the themes of the book as a whole.

The contrast between the two ways of life: man-centredness versus God-centredness.

**Isaiah 1:1 - 2:5** is God’s overture to his people - a call to return to Him. However, Isaiah makes it clear that God’s final goal and purpose will be achieved - a new heavens and new earth - a new Jerusalem in which righteousness and peace dwell (Isaiah 65-66); all on the basis of the person and the completed work of the true Servant and King.

The New Testament will see these ideas fulfilled in the Person and Work of Jesus Christ as it references the book of Isaiah more than forty times.



**Isaiah 1:1 - Describes the entire book in a single vision** - It is Isaiah's vision and the period of his ministry, approximately 40 years is from the year Uzziah died in 740 B.C. (See Isaiah 6:1) until after 701 B.C., the time of Hezekiah and siege of Jerusalem by the Assyrian Sennacherib.

**Isaiah 1:2-9 - *The sinful nation* - the Indictment of the Lord.**

**'Hear' verse 2** a call to heavens and the earth - why? This has universal significance - we are included.

**Isaiah 1:10-17 - *Corrupt worship* - 'Hear' verse 10** (see verse 2) - starts a new unit.

**Isaiah 1:18-20 - *Ultimatum* - "Come now let us reason together"**

Grace is hard to understand when our view of God is too small.

**Isaiah 1:21-31 - *Lament, Purification and redemption***

Isaiah laments and writes of the utter moral collapse of Jerusalem.

Will Judah acknowledge who God is and respond to him appropriately?

***But there's more! - Isaiah's vision Continues:***

**Isaiah 2:1-5 - *The Mountain of the Lord.***

If the hopeless situation of chapter 1 is to be reversed, it can only be by divine intervention in redemptive grace.

Consider the challenge of verse 5

**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 17. If you have questions about these things, please contact Pastor Peter.

### **Song of preparation for the Lord's Supper**

#### *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*

**Prayer at the Lord's Table**     Paul Burton

## **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

### **Closing Song**    *Near The Cross*

Author: Fannie Crosby

Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
There a precious fountain  
Free to all, a healing stream  
Flows from Calvary's mountain.

*In the cross, in the cross,  
Be my glory ever;  
Till my ransomed soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.*

Near the cross, a trembling soul,  
Love and mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star  
Shed his beams around me.

*In the cross, in the cross,  
Be my glory ever;  
Till my ransomed soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.*

Near the cross, O Lamb of God,  
Bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day,  
With its shadows o'er me.

*In the cross, in the cross,  
Be my glory ever;  
Till my ransomed soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.*

## BENEDICTION<sup>6</sup>

### Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

#### Scripture Reading Isaiah 1:1 – 2:5

1. From Isaiah 1:1-2:5 as a whole, identify and discuss the key characteristics of man-centredness and God-centredness. How are we included in this? (Cf. Isaiah 1:2)
2. *During the reign of Uzziah, Judah experienced peace and prosperity marked by spiritual decline, while the growing threat of Assyrian expansion in the north provided the backdrop to Isaiah's predictions. Predictions which concerned the immediate future for Judah, but is in the past for us. During Isaiah's ministry the Assyrian threat materialised, then receded, and was replaced by the growth of Babylonian power to the east.*

What can we learn from the historical context of Isaiah and what principles should we apply today?
3. Consider the challenge of Isaiah 2:5 and consider how it relates to passages such as Isaiah 42:6; John 8:12 and 1 John 1:5-2:1
4. What 'building blocks' can you take-away from this passage? Anything that could answer the questions:
  - i. *Why do I need to know this?*
  - ii. *What do I need to know?*
  - iii. *How does this work?*
  - iv. *What can this become?*

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<sup>6</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

#### Glenfield

**When** Every Tuesday, 7:30–9:00 pm  
**Where** **Check with the contact person!**  
**Contact** Tom Wilson 027 785 1332

#### 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

### Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

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

### Prayer Meeting

**When** 7:15, 10<sup>th</sup> of February (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)  
**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

### 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** From 6:30 pm, 11th of February (monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)  
*BBQ, Bible and Brews at Boyds*

**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957 or Steve 022 647 0931

### Fellowship Lunch

**What** Opportunity after Sunday worship to share together over lunch at the Boyd's home. *Come and bring food to share.*

**When** Last Sunday of the month, next is 31<sup>st</sup> of January

**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

## Summer Services

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> of January</b>	Ian Grant Preaching - Isaiah 1:1-2:5
<b>10<sup>th</sup> of January</b>	Ian Grant Preaching – Isaiah 40:1-31
<b>17<sup>th</sup> of January</b>	Ian Grant Preaching – Isaiah 42:1-17
<b>24<sup>th</sup> of January</b>	Peter Boyd Preaching

## Shore Presbyterian Church Family Camp

***Don't forget, grab a brochure!***

<b>What</b>	A weekend of fun, fellowship, and growth
<b>Where</b>	Mangawhai Heads
<b>When</b>	Friday evening the 5 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday the 7 <sup>th</sup> of March 2021

## Serving Roster for next Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of January

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	Janet Boyd and Ingrid Goodenough	Dennis	Dennis, Jonathan Munroe & Paul Goodenough	Dennis, Jonathan, Paul & 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 Miriam Burden 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](mailto:petethepastor@shorepres.org.nz)) or with our Church Treasurer Miriam Burden ([imaburden2@gmail.com](mailto:imaburden2@gmail.com)).





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