



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 21st OF MARCH 2021

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 103:1-13¹

- ¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
- ² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
⁴ who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
⁵ who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- ⁶ The Lord works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
- ⁸ The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- 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.
- ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Prayer of Adoration, Confession and Approach

Songs of Adoration² & Praise Come Thou Fount

Author: Robert Robinson

Come Thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise

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.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer³;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in blood washed linen
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace;
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,
Take my ransomed soul away;
Send Thine angels now to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

³ Ebenezer is a name meaning "stone of help" and refers to a stone that was set up by the Israelites to remember a victory over the Philistines by God's help, when previously they had suffered defeat, see 1 Samuel 7:12. The memorial stone represented God's merciful help to His people; it also therefore represents a fresh beginning, a reversal of course for God's people. It also says something important about God's commitment to His redeemed people: His mercies are everlasting; his covenant is forever. As we sing these words it says the same for us. We remember that God has shown us His mercies and faithfulness and so we are strengthened and encouraged to continue to walk by faith in Him and His grace as we go into the unknown future.

Abide With Me

Author: Henry F. Lyte, 1847

Abide with me!
Fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens.
Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail,
And comforts flee,
Help of the helpless,
O abide with me!

Swift to its close
Ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim,
Its glories pass away;
Change and decay
In all around I see;
O Thou who changest not,
Abide with me!

Thou on my head
In early youth didst smile;
And though rebellious
And perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me,
Oft as I left Thee,
On to the close,
O Lord, abide with me!

I need Thy presence
Every passing hour.
What but Thy grace
Can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself
My guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine,
O abide with me!

I fear no foe
With Thee at hand to bless:
Ills have no weight,
And tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still,
If Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross
Before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom,
And point me to the skies;
Heav'n's morning breaks,
And earth's vain shadows flee:
In life, in death,
O Lord, abide with me!

Corporate Prayer for one another *from Ephesians 3:14-21*

We bow our knees before the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,
that according to the riches of his glory
He may grant us to be strengthened with power through his Spirit
in our inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith
—that we, being rooted and grounded in love,
may have strength to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,
that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do
far more abundantly than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us,
to him be glory in the church
and in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.

Song of Praise *I Surrender All*

Author: Judson W. Van de Venter

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him,
In his presence daily live.

*I surrender all I surrender all
All to Thee, my blessed Saviour,
I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Saviour, wholly Thine;
May Thy Holy Spirit fill me,
May I know Thy pow'r divine.

*I surrender all I surrender all
All to Thee my blessed Saviour
I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

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All to Thee my blessed Saviour
I surrender all.*

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 fulfil 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.

Scripture Reading Mark 1:14-39 (Church Bible p836)

Douglas Goncalves

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 (p14) for further information about the offering.

Scripture Reading Mark 1:40-45 (Church Bible p837)

Message Mark 1:40-45 *“Pushing Back the Curse”*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. THE CALLING KING

II. THE CONQUERING KING

III. THE CURING KING

A. The Crisis of the Leper

1. Physical

2. Spiritual

3. Religious

4. Social

B. The Compassion of the Lord

C. The Compelling Love

IV. THE CHURCH OF THE KING

A. BEING LOVED

B. WE LOVE

Closing Song *All Glory be to Christ*

Author: Dustin Kensrue

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me, what is your life?
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ!*

His will be done, His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him, the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ!*

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new

Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be
All glory be to Christ!

*All glory be to Christ our king! All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ!*

BENEDICTION⁴

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

Scripture Reading Mark 1:14-45 (esp. 40-45)

1. Why was Jesus' first action, after proclaiming the Kingdom, to call Disciples? What was their purpose? How would they achieve that purpose? Who are we and what do we learn from them?
2. How does Jesus display the power of the Kingdom through the Gospels? Think about four "D's". How is this Good News? And what does it say about Christ's work now and in the future?
3. What does the curing of the leper say about the Kingdom of Christ?
4. Do you find the picture of Jesus compelling? Is that simple act of touch meaningful to you? How does it symbolize the work of the cross? How does the presentation of Jesus answer to your deepest need?
5. As we think about ourselves as Disciples and Ambassadors of His Kingdom, what challenges do we see here in regard to our own heart of compassion to our neighbours and our culture?
6. How can we find growth for our own hearts so that we can be more like Jesus?

⁴ 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 1st Sunday of the month, next: 4th of April (Easter Sunday)

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 24th of March (2nd and 4th Wed of the month), **this week**
Where Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Please note: After this the Prayer Meeting will happen once a month on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The Men's Ministry will now meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month to enable the Thursday night Encouragement Group to meet.

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, 14th of Apr. (monthly 2nd Wednesday)
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

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Presbytery Prayer Service

- What** A prayer service to pray for healing and help for Neal Vinson who has been diagnosed with a serious cancer. Neal Pastors our Redeemer Grace Church in Flat Bush.
- When** 7:30 pm, Sunday the 21st of March, *this evening*
- Where** Redeemer, 30 Hilltop Road, Flat Bush, Auckland

Lady's - Coffee, Catch up and Conversation

- What** A bi-monthly coffee catch up to encourage & inspire one another as we grow in Christ together. For all ages and stages.
- When** From 10:00 am, 24th of April (last Saturday, each second month)
- Where** *The Stoned Cow Café* in Browns Bay (used to be the post office)
<https://www.thestonedcow.co.nz/>

Easter Services

1. COMBINED NORTHERN BAYS CHURCHES – GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

- When** 10:00 am, Friday the 2nd of April
- Where** Northcross Church building, 826a East Coast Road

2. EASTER SUNDAY MORNING SUNRISE COMMUNION SERVICE

Shared with Browns Bay Presbyterian

- When** Sunday the 4th of April
Arrive at 5:45 am for a 6:00 am (Sunrise is 6.37am)
NOTE: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS ON THIS SUNDAY.
- Where** Southern end of Browns Bay Beach.
Feel free to bring coffee or buns or breakfast

3. RESURRECTION SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP AND COMMUNION

10:00 am here at Long Bay Primary School Hall

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) or with our Church Treasurer Miriam Burden (imaburden2@gmail.com).

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 28th of March

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	Karen Van Bemmelen and Sharmini Paddick	Dennis	Dennis, Carl and William Paddick	Dennis, Carl, William & Volunteers	Volunteers



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