



## **Welcome to Online Worship**

**SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OF SEPTEMBER 2021**

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian  
Church of New Zealand



# Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

## Call to Worship Colossians 1:13-20<sup>1</sup>

<sup>13</sup> He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

## Prayer of adoration and approach

### Song of Adoration & Praise *Satisfied*

Author: Clara T. Wilson

All my life long I had panted  
For a drink from some cool spring,  
That I hoped would quench the burning  
Of the thirst I felt within.

Feeding on the filth around me,  
Till my strength was almost gone,  
Longed my soul for something better,  
Only still to hunger on.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!  
The one my soul so long had craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through his blood I now am saved.*

Poor I was, and sought for riches,  
Something that would satisfy,

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

But the dust I gathered round me  
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!  
The one my soul so long had craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through his blood I now am saved.*

Well of water, ever springing,  
Bread of life so rich and free,  
Untold wealth that never faileth,  
My Redeemer is to me.

*Hallelujah! He has found me!  
The one my soul so long had craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through his blood I now am saved.*

### **A corporate prayer** The purpose for our existence

Adapted from "The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions", Banner of Truth, 2011

**Leader:** Lord of all being,

There is one thing that deserves our greatest care,  
that calls forth our ardent desires,  
That is, that we may answer the great purpose  
for which we were made –  
to glorify You who has given us being,  
and to do all the good we can for others;  
Truly, life is not worth having  
if it not be used for this noble purpose.

**All together:** Yet, Lord, how little is this thought of.

We are prone to live for ourselves,  
With little regard for Your glory, or the good of others.

We are prone to desire and pursue  
the riches, honours and pleasures of this life,  
as if they could make our immortal souls happy;

But these are false dreams!

And how miserable in eternity will be those who pursue them,  
for all our happiness consists in loving You,  
and being holy as you are holy.

*Help us to know continually  
that there can be no true happiness,  
no fulfilling of your purpose for us,  
apart from a life lived in and for the Son of your love. Amen*

## **Song of Assurance** 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."

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

(Bridge) *Oh, praise the one who paid my debt,  
and raised this life up from the dead (repeat)*

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

## **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 unmute your mic to 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** Colossians 3:1-17

### **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 (p10) for further information about the offering.

### **Message** Colossians *“Live who you are”*

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

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I. WHO YOU REALLY ARE**

- a. United to Jesus Christ**
- b. New life now**
- c. Eternally secure in Him**
- d. A glory to be revealed**

### **II. THEREFORE I AM NOT DEFINED BY ...**

a. Myself

b. I am not defined by my past

c. I am not defined by my hurts

d. I am not defined by the passing things of the World and of  
this Age

III. SO I CAN LIVE

IV. AS YOU THINK THEREFORE YOU ARE

CONCLUSION

### **Closing Song** *Turn Your Eyes*

by Sovereign Grace Music

Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside  
Where justice and mercy embraced  
There the Son of God gave His life for us  
And our measureless debt was erased  
*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You*

Turn your eyes to the morning  
And see Christ the Lion awake  
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone  
For we carry His life in our veins

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You*

Turn your eyes to the heavens  
Our King will return for His own  
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout,  
'All glory to Jesus alone!'

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You*

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You*

## **BENEDICTION<sup>2</sup>**

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<sup>2</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** Colossians 3:1-4

1. How do we and the culture struggle with “identity”. What are some answers that our culture gives and how is God’s way so different?
2. How do you understand what it means to be united to Christ? What difference does it make?
3. Discuss the way this passage defines our identity in Christ. Discuss: new life with Him, eternal security and the glory to be revealed. Embrace these truths with faith and thankfulness.
4. How meaningful is it to say that we are not defined by ourselves, our past, our hurts or the passing things of this world and this age?
5. How do these realities actually set us free to live and love and serve?
6. Why do we need both to “seek the things that are above” and “set our minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth”? What does that look like? How can we make it a reality?



## 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 October

### Special Congregational Meeting

We will be holding a brief meeting straight after worship on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of September in order for the Leadership to share some important information as we go forward as a Church family. We will include the folk who are on Zoom that morning also.

***Postponed until we can meet in person.***

### 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.  
**When** 7:00 pm, 13<sup>th</sup> of Oct (monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)  
**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

### 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 26<sup>th</sup> of September,  
**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay  
**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

## Shore Presbyterian Church Family Camp

- What** A weekend of fun, fellowship, and growth  
**Where** Campbell Park Christian Camp, Mangawhai Heads  
**When** Friday evening the 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> of November 2021

## Prayer Meeting

- When** 7:15, 22<sup>nd</sup> of September (4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month), **this week**  
**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

## Support for children in the School in Nepal

You can give your funds into the Shore Pres Account, clearly marked for ***Hasta Memorial School Scholarship*** and the Treasurer will arrange to forward those funds for you. It is \$45 per month. Thanks for your support for this great cause. Please ask Joao Petreceli for more information.

## 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, 30<sup>th</sup> of Oct. (last Saturday, each 2<sup>nd</sup> month)  
**Where** *The Stoned Cow Café* in Browns Bay (used to be the post office)  
<https://www.thestonedcow.co.nz/>

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### ***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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