



## **Welcome to Online Worship**

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OF OCTOBER 2021**

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian  
Church of New Zealand



# Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

## Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-5<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.
- <sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt his name together!
- <sup>4</sup> I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.
- <sup>5</sup> Those who look to him are radiant,  
and their faces shall never be ashamed.

## 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.**<sup>2</sup>

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

<sup>2</sup> Adapted from the Anglican Prayer Book

## **Song of Adoration<sup>3</sup> & 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*

**Bridge** *I believe in You*

*I believe You rose again*

*I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

*And I believe in You*

*I believe You rose again*

*I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord*

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<sup>3</sup>Adoration: the act of paying honour, as to a divine being; worship; reverent homage; fervent and devoted love.

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*

### **Praying of adoration and the Lord's Prayer together**

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
Forever and ever, Amen.

### **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** Philippians 4:4-20 Jonathan Munroe

### **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 (p12) for further information about the offering.

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

#### *The Church's One Foundation*

Author: Samuel John Stone

The church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is his new creation  
By water and the Word.  
From heaven he came and sought her  
To be his holy bride;  
With his own blood he bought her,  
And for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation,  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore;  
Till, with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest!

Yet she on earth hath union  
With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with Thee.

**Message** Philippians 4:10-13

*“Contentment in even this Circumstance”*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **I. CIVILIZATION AND ITS DISCONTENT**

**A. A culture that will not allow contentment**

**B. Discontent is idolatry**

**C. Discontent is an unhealthy treadmill**

**D. Discontent can lead to sin**

**E. Discontent is a test**

*Three keys ...*

### **II. GRACIOUS CHRISTIANS**

### III. GREATER CAUSE

### IV. GRACE OF CHRIST

A. Because He cares

B. Because of the future

C. Because He is present

D. Because He is our life

### CONCLUSION

A. Repentance

B. Roots

### **Closing Song** *Yet not I but through Christ in me*

City Alight 2018

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat  
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**BENEDICTION**



## Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

### Scripture Reading Philippians 4:10-13

1. In what ways do you find yourself struggling with discontent? How does our culture create and fuel discontent? What are the problems and dangers of being discontent? Think of some Scriptures in this area.
2. How can God be testing us through what He gives or what He takes away? What is He seeking to achieve in our lives? Can you think of a time when you have been particularly aware of this test?
3. How is living for a greater cause a key to contentment? What is the greatest cause and how does it make a difference?
4. Discuss Philippians 4:13. Do you know ways that this verse has been used out of context to say almost the exact opposite of what it does say in its context?
5. How encouraging is this verse to you? What are the “all things” Paul can do? How does union with Christ provide that presence, power and grace? How can we find and experience that more? How can we have deeper roots into the life of Christ?

## 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: 7<sup>th</sup> of November

### 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), ***this week***

**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

***In the meantime***

***Pastor Pete will send out a zoom link***

### 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 Oct, Lord willing

**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, 27<sup>th</sup> of October (4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)  
**Where** Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

## Support for children in the School in Nepal

A number of folk have enquired about how to provide that support. 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 and Tania 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 2nd month)  
**Where** *The Stoned Cow Café* in Browns Bay (used to be the post office)  
<https://www.thestonedcow.co.nz/>

*In the meantime*

*Online catch up 10:30 am on Saturdays*

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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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