

# **Welcome to Online Worship**

SUNDAY 27th OF NOVEMBER 2021

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian Church of New Zealand

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## Call to Worship Psalm 33:6-12<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>6</sup> By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.
- <sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!
- <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.
- <sup>10</sup> The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples.
- <sup>11</sup> The counsel of the Lord stands for ever, the plans of his heart to all generations.
- <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

## Prayer of adoration and approach

## **Song of Adoration**<sup>2</sup> & Praise Be Thou My Vision

Author: Dalan Forgail

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:

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

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

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

### Corporate Profession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism 1

#### Q1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**Answer**. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Saviour, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

### Scripture Reading John 11:1-27 Paul Goodenough

## **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 John 11:28-44 Tom Wilson

### **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.

## Song of preparation for hearing God's Word My Hope

Author: Edward Mote

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

> On Christ, the solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand. (REPEAT)

## Message John 11:1-44

"Seeing a Sovereign Saviour who also Weeps"

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- I. WHEN GOD SEEMS ABSENT
- **II. JESUS GRIEVES** 
  - a. His tears are HUMAN
  - b. His tears are DIVINE
- III. THE GREATEST ANSWER
- **IV. IMPLICATIONS** 
  - a. Walk by faith
  - b. Dig deep into Christ
  - c. Love our neighbor
  - d. How long O Lord?

## **Closing Song** *I Cannot Tell*

William Y. Fullerton 1929

I cannot tell why He whom angels worship,
Should set His love upon the sons of men,
Or why, as shepherd, He should seek the wanderers,
To bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that He was born of Mary
When Bethlehem's manger was His only home,
And that He lived at Nazareth and labored,
And so the Savior, Savior of the world is come.

I cannot tell how silently He suffered,
As with His peace He graced this place of tears,
Or how His heart upon the Cross was broken,
The crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, He heals the broken-hearted,
And stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
And lifts the burden from the heavy laden,
For yet the Savior, Savior of the world, is here.

I cannot tell how He will win the nations,
How He will claim His earthly heritage,
How satisfy the needs and aspirations
Of East and West, of sinner and of sage.
But this I know, all flesh shall see His glory,
And He shall reap the harvest He has sown,
And some glad day His sun shall shine in splendor
When He the Savior, Savior of the world is known.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
When, at His bidding, every storm is stilled,
Or who can say how great the jubilation
When all the hearts of men with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
And myriad, myriad human voices sing,
And earth to Heaven, and Heaven to earth, will answer:
At last the Savior, Savior of the world is king!

#### BENEDICTION3

### **Encouragement Group Discussion Questions**

## Scripture Reading John 11:1-44

- 1. How would you answer the concern that God seems absent in evil and pain? How does the story of Jesus' delay over returning to help the dying Lazarus help our understanding?
- 2. What does the weeping of Jesus say to you? How are they both human and divine tears?
- 3. What is the greater glory that this passage points us to? How does the raising of Lazarus give us hope and assurance in the midst of the brokenness and pain?
- 4. How does this picture of Jesus encourage you to walk by faith? And in what ways are you led to put down deeper roots into Him?
- 5. What does neighbor love look like in the light of this story?
- 6. Think about the return of the Lord and how much we long for it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</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 1st Sunday of the month, next: 5th of December, next Sunday

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Straight after worship, online, next Sunday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of December. Key items to be discussed:

- the approval of the Budget,
- approval of Pulpit Committee and,
- discussion around worshipping at Red-Light settings.

All related documents will have been emailed to you.

### **Sunday Picnic – Today**

Now that we can meet up outdoors in groups of 25 we can picnic after Church today. For those who are able let's plan to meet at Long Bay, somewhere between the playground and the second car park from 12:30.

## 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, 8<sup>th</sup> of Dec (monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)

Contact Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

#### **Prayer Meeting**

When 7:15, 24<sup>th</sup> of December (4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)

Where Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

#### Lady's - Coffee, Catch up and Conversation

Watch this spot for ongoing arrangements.

#### **Shore Pres Ladies Christmas Celebration**

Jesus is the Light of the pandemic. Finding hope in the birth of Jesus.

You are invited to a *Christmas Progressive Lunch* on the 11<sup>th</sup> of December

- Join us for Starters and Main at the Boyd's
- Dessert at the Goodenough's

**Time** 1:00 p.m.

There will be a time for sharing on how the Lord has blessed and helped you during this pandemic. Please also join us for a secret Santa gift exchange, gift should cost no more than \$10.

**RSVP** by the 4<sup>th</sup> of December to <u>sharmini.paddick@gmail.com</u>

## "Our Daily Bread" Devotions

For those who use these, Pastor Pete has some copies of the December to February edition available. Send me a text if you would like me to get one to you.

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).



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