



Welcome to Online Worship

SUNDAY 19TH OF DECEMBER 2021

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian
Church of New Zealand



Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

Call to Worship Isaiah 9:6-7¹

⁶ For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace
there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Prayer of adoration, confession and approach

Song of Adoration² & Praise Joy to the World!

Words: Isaac Watts, *The Psalms of David* 1719

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

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.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

Corporate Profession of Faith

Shorter Catechism Numbers 23 and 26

Question What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

Answer Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a *prophet*, of a *priest*, and of a *king*, both in his state of humiliation and exaltation.

Question How does Christ execute the office of a *king*?

Answer Christ executes the office of a *king*, in subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.

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 Psalm 2

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

O come, O come, Emmanuel

O Come O Come Emmanuel; Author: Anonymous

O come, O come, Emmanuel

And ransom captive Israel

That mourns in lonely exile here

Until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free

Thine own from Satan's tyranny

From depths of hell Thy people save

And give them victory o'er the grave

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Day-Spring, come and cheer

Our spirits by Thine advent here

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night

And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Key of David, come

And open wide our heav'nly home;

Make safe the way that leads on high,

And close the path to misery.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Message Preparing for Christmas 3
“Jesus: the Shepherd-King”

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. THE KINGSHIP OF JESUS

A. Anticipated

B. Arrived

C. Ascended

II. THE GLORY OF HIS KINGSHIP

A. Saviour King

B. Sovereign King

C. Submit to our King

D. Share in His Kingship

E. Second Coming

CONCLUSION

Closing Song *Across the Lands*

Authors: Stuart Townend

You're the Word of God the Father,
From before the world began;
Every star and every planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory,
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry,
With a word You stilled the sea.
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free.

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home.

*You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.*

BENEDICTION³

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

Scripture Reading Psalm 2; Isaiah 9:6,7; Daniel 2:44,45; Rev. 11:15

1. What were the promises made regarding the Kingship of Jesus? How are they fulfilled in Him? How does He differ from Israel's Kings? When does He reign?
2. What does it mean to say that He is a Saviour-King or a Shepherd-King or a Servant-King? How is he different from earthly kings and rulers and governments?
3. How do we see His sovereign power and authority and how does that encourage us?
4. Discuss the idea that we are sons and daughters of the King and that somehow, we are "royal" (cf. 1 Peter 2:9,10) or share in His kingship/reign. What do you think Hebrews 2:5-9 means? How could we live out that reality now?
5. Discuss the return of the King and what that will mean for us, others, and the world. In what ways do you need these encouragements and what might they mean for those who are persecuted for righteousness sake?

³ 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: 2nd of January 2022

Sunday Picnic – 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)
When 6:00 pm, 8th of Feb (monthly 2nd Wednesday)
Contact Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 26th of January (4th Wed of the month)
Where Boyd's place, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Shore Summer Worship Program

- 19th of December** Pastor Pete preaching - *Pre Christmas series: Jesus is our King*
- 25th of December** Pastor Pete preaching - "*Christmas Day*" - this will be a Zoom service at 9:30 - please note the earlier time, and that this will be about a half hour service with no plan for people to gather as described above, all though some may choose to privately.
- 26th of December** Pastor Pete preaching
- 2nd of January** Chris Burton preaching
- 9th of January** Ian Grant preaching. Ian will be preaching from Taupo and the group of folk meeting for the new church plant in Taupo will be joining in with Shore Pres worship online - how absolutely delightful.
- 16th of January** Ian Grant preaching - as above
- 23rd of January** Pastor Pete preaching

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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