



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 24th OF APRIL 2022

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian
Church of New Zealand



Call to Worship Revelation 4:8; 5:12-13¹

4:8 ...“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”

5:12 ...“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honour and glory and blessing!”

5:13 ...“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever!”

Prayer of Praise and Adoration and Confession

Songs of Adoration² & Praise What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Author: Charles Crozat Converse | Joseph Medicott Scriven

What a friend we have in Jesus
All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer
O what peace we often forfeit
O what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer

Interlude

Have we trials and temptations
Is there trouble anywhere
We should never be discouraged
Take it to the Lord in prayer
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share
Jesus knows our every weakness
Take it to the Lord in prayer
Are we weak and heavy laden
Cumbered with a load of care
Precious Saviour still our refuge

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.

Take it to the Lord in prayer
Do thy friends despise forsake thee
Take it to the Lord in prayer
In His arms He'll take and shield thee
You will find a solace there
Take it to the Lord in prayer

You Alone Can Rescue

Author: Matt Redman

Who, oh Lord, could save themselves,
Their own sin could heal?
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your Grace is deeper still

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*You alone can rescue, You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us, led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise*

You, oh Lord, have made a way
The great divide You heal
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes, your love goes further still

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Corporate Profession of Faith Psalm 23

Leader The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.

Leader He restores my soul.

People He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Leader Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

People for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

Leader You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;

People you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

All **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for 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 preparation for hearing God's Word

As the Deer

Martin J. Nystrom, 1981

As the deer pants for the water

So my soul longs after You

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship You.

You alone are my strength, my shield

To You alone may my spirit yield

You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

I want you more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye.
You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though you are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything.
You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

Scripture Reading Hebrews 13:1-21 (Church Bible p1010)

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 (p9) for further information about the offering.

Message Hebrews 13:20-21 *"A Life of Peace"*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. THE GOD OF PEACE

A. Within Himself

B. And with Him

II. THE CREATOR OF PEACE

A. Salvation Secured

B. Through the Great Shepherd of the Sheep

C. Establishing the Eternal Covenant

III. THE GRACE TO LIVE OUT PEACE

A. The why of holiness

B. The how of holiness

CONCLUSION

Closing Song *I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)*

Out of the depths I cry to You
In darkest places I will call
Incline Your ear to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy Lord

Were You to count my sinful ways
How could I come before Your throne
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze
I stand redeemed by grace alone

I will wait for You, I will wait for You
On Your word I will rely

I will wait for You, surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied

So put Your hope in God alone
Take courage in His power to save
Completely and forever won
By Christ emerging from the grave

I will wait for You, I will wait for You
On Your word I will rely
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied

Now He has come to make a way
And God Himself has paid the price
That all who trust in Him today
Find healing in His sacrifice
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Find healing in His sacrifice
I will wait for You, I will wait for You
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
For Your love is my delight

Oh I will wait for You, I will wait for You
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
For Your love is my delight

I will wait for You, I will wait for You
On Your word I will rely
I will wait for You, surely wait for You
Till my soul is satisfied

BENEDICTION³

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.

Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

Scripture Reading Hebrews 13:20-21

1. How do you think about the call to holiness? Does it seem foreboding, difficult, unrewarding?
2. Think about God as the God of peace and the invitation into a life of shalom. How does this concept and the concept of a life of holiness and obedience go together? Is this a helpful way to think?
3. How has God acted to bring us into His shalom?
4. How does God act to enable us to live out the life He has brought us into? How does He empower us to obedience, growth, and holiness? How does this contrast with how we intuitively think about these things?
5. Discuss the helpful words of the Westminster Confession of Faith chapter 13, below.
6. How might we access more of God's power and help that we might share in His holiness and peace?

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).

Westminster Confession of Faith

Chapter XIII: Of Sanctification

I. They who are once effectually called and regenerated, having a new heart and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by His Word and Spirit dwelling in them: the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified; and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

II. This sanctification is throughout, in the whole man; yet imperfect in this life, there abiding still some remnants of corruption in every part: whence ariseth a continual and irreconcilable war; the flesh lusting against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh.

III. In which war, although the remaining corruption, for a time, may much prevail; yet through the continual supply of strength from the sanctifying Spirit of Christ, the regenerate part doth overcome; and so, the saints grow in grace, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

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: 1st of May, *next Sunday*

Men's Ministry

What Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young)

When From 6:30 pm, 11th of May (monthly 2nd Wednesday)

Where TBA

Contact Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 27th of April (4th Wed of the month)

Where *Postponed for this month due to a clash of meetings and some being in isolation*

Focussed Prayer Item

As the year progresses, we would encourage you to pray for the Lord to lead us to a new Pastor. Pray also for a very diligent and hard-working Pulpit Committee and continue to pray strength and direction for them.

Lady's - Coffee, Catch up and Conversations

What *Back on again*, a coffee catch-up to encourage & inspire one another as we grow in Christ together. For all ages and stages.

When From 10:00 am, Saturday, 7th of May

Where *The Stoned Cow Café* in Browns Bay (used to be the post office)

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 1st of May – Fellowship Lunch

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	Debbie and Lydia	Dennis	Dennis, and Song Family	Dennis, Song Family & Volunteers	Volunteers



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