



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 15th OF MAY 2022

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian
Church of New Zealand



Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

Call to Worship Psalms 93¹

- ¹ The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength;
indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.
- ² Your throne was established long ago;
you are from all eternity.
- ³ The seas have lifted up, LORD,
the seas have lifted up their voice;
the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.
- ⁴ Mightier than the thunder of the great waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea—
the LORD on high is mighty.
- ⁵ Your statutes, LORD, stand firm;
holiness adorns your house for endless days.

Prayer of adoration, confession and approach

Song of Adoration² & Praise *10,000 Reasons*

Author: Matt Redman

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger
Your name is great, and your heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

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.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name*

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship your holy name (REPEAT)*

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:
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 *Psalms 19:7-11*

Leader The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul.

People The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

Leader The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.

People The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

Leader The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever.

People The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.

All *They are more precious than gold,
than much pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey,
than honey from the honeycomb.
By them your servant is warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.*

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.

Scripture Reading Acts 17:1-15 (Church Bible 926)

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

Speak O Lord

Authors: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory.

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.

Message Acts 17:1-15 “A Dangerous Book”

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

I. YOUR WORD IS POWERFUL

a. Proclamation

b. New Scripture

c. Being Berean

d. Being Paul

II. IT IS THE WORD OF A KING

III. THAT COSTS TO FOLLOW

CONCLUSION But it is worth it ...

Closing Song *Blessed Be Your Name*

Author: Matt Redman

Blessed be your name

In the land that is plentiful

Where your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name

When I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out

I'll turn back to praise

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be your glorious name

Blessed be your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be your name
Blessed be your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be your name

*Every blessing you pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your glorious name*

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be your name **(REPEAT)**
*Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your glorious name (REPEAT)*

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 Acts 17:1-15

1. Discuss the issue of reading. Do you read? Do you see value in reading? What stops you from reading? Do you think it is important to read and study the Bible? Why? How are you doing?
2. How does the Word prove itself powerful and effective in Thessalonica? How could we be unashamed of the Bible in trying to reach non-Christian friends?
3. What is the content of the Bible? How did we get the New Testament? What is the continual challenge for us of the Bereans (see verse 11)?
4. What does it mean that Jesus is another King (see verse 7)? How does this work out in your life?
5. How more than ever are we feeling the cost of following King Jesus (see verse 6)? How will we persevere and is it worth it (see 1 Thessalonians 4:16,17)?

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 June

Men's Ministry

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

When From 6:30 pm, 8th of June (monthly 2nd Wednesday)

Where TBA

Contact Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 25th of May (4th Wed of the month)

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.

Combined Northern Presbytery Worship

What To instal Lenny Long to Pastoral Ministry

When Afternoon service, Sunday, 29th of May

Where *TBA*

Taupo Grace Presbyterian Church Plant

A note from Ian Grant: Grace Taupo will have the first Public Venue service this Sunday May 15 (today).

If you could remember us in prayer, that would be greatly appreciated.

For more info - our web site is up and running - Website URL as follows:
<https://gracetaupo.org.nz>

We will warmly welcome any visitors (or immigrants) to Taupo, from your parts of the country, to come and worship with us.

Baptismal Service

Next Sunday morning, the 22nd, we look forward with Tom and Ariel Wilson to the baptism of their daughter, Hanya Seraphina, as we celebrate God's gracious promises to this covenant child.

Welcoming Geoff and Jaia

Geoff Vucetich is training for Gospel Ministry in Grace Presbyterian Church NZ (see the latest *Growing in Grace*). He is studying at Grace College and for 3 months Geoff and Jaia will be joining us at Shore Pres for pastoral ministry experience. We look forward to sharing life and ministry with them and will introduce them in morning worship on the 29th of May.

Professions of Faith

On Sunday the 5th of June, we look forward to two of our young people making public Profession of their Faith in Christ – Joshua Burton and Rebecca van Bemmelen (with baptism). We give thanks for God’s covenantal faithfulness to them and their families.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 22nd of May

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	Janet Boyd and Amy Munroe	Dennis	Dennis, Paul Burton and Jonathan Munroe	Dennis, Paul, Jonathan & Volunteers	Volunteers

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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