



## **Welcome to Worship**

**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> OF MAY 2022**

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian  
Church of New Zealand



# Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

## Call to Worship Isaiah 42:5-8<sup>1</sup>

- <sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:
- <sup>6</sup> "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,
- <sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
- <sup>8</sup> I am the LORD; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.

## Prayer of adoration, confession and approach

### Song of Adoration<sup>2</sup> & Praise *Cornerstone*

Authors: Edward Mote, Reuben Morgan

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly trust in Jesus' name (**REPEAT**)  
*Christ alone; cornerstone*  
*Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love*  
*Through the storm, he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide his face  
I rest on his unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale

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

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

My anchor holds within the veil  
My anchor holds within the veil  
*Christ alone; cornerstone*  
*Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love*  
*Through the storm, he is Lord, Lord of all.*

When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in him be found;  
Dressed in his righteousness alone,  
Faultless stand before the throne.  
*Christ alone; cornerstone*  
*Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love*  
*Through the storm, he is Lord, Lord of all.*

## ***Mighty To Save***

Authors: Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

Everyone needs compassion  
A love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations  
*Saviour he can move the mountains*  
*My God is mighty to save*  
*He is mighty to save*  
*Forever author of salvation*  
*He rose and conquered the grave*  
*Jesus conquered the grave.*

So take me as you find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender  
*Saviour he can move the mountains*  
*My God is mighty to save*

*He is mighty to save  
Forever author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave.*

Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus (**REPEAT**)

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Forever author of salvation  
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## **Introducing Geoff and Jaia**

Geoff Vucetich is training for Gospel Ministry in Grace Presbyterian Church, studying at Grace College. For 3 months Geoff and Jaia will be joining us for pastoral ministry experience. We look forward to sharing life and ministry with them.

## **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 17:16-34 (Church Bible 926)

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

*These are the days of Elijah*

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These are the days of Elijah

Declaring the word of the Lord

And these are the days of Your servant Moses

Righteousness being restored

And these are the days of great trials  
Of famine and darkness and sword  
Still we are the voice in the desert crying  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord!

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds  
Shining like the sun at the trumpet's call  
So, lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee  
Out of Zions hill, salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel  
The dry bones becoming as flesh  
And these are the days of Your servant, David  
Rebuilding a temple of praise

And these are the days of the harvest  
The fields are all white in Your world  
And we are the labourers in Your vineyard  
Declaring the Word of the Lord

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### **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 (p8) for further information about the offering.

## **Message** Acts 17:16-34 *“From Athens to Auckland”*

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

### **INTRODUCTION**



#### **I. A MODEL FOR MISSION**

**A. A Secular World**

**B. A Thoughtful Gospel**

**C. The Presence of Christ**

#### **II. MOTIVATION FOR MISSION**

**A. Do Not Fear What They Fear**

**B. Do Not Love What They Love**

#### **III. CONCLUSION – Our daily need of grace**

### **Closing Song** *Come Thou Fount*

Author: Robert Robinson

Come Thou Fount of every blessing

Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing,

Call for songs of loudest praise

Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>;  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning,  
I shall see Thy lovely face;  
Clothed I'll be in blood washed linen  
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace;  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,  
Take my ransomed soul away;  
Send Thine angels now to carry  
Me to realms of endless day.

## **BENEDICTION**

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<sup>3</sup> Ebenezer is a name meaning "stone of help" and refers to a stone that was set up by the Israelites to remember a victory over the Philistines by God's help, when previously they had suffered defeat, see 1 Samuel 7:12. The memorial stone represented God's merciful help to His people; it also therefore represents a fresh beginning, a reversal of course for God's people. It also says something important about God's commitment to His redeemed people: His mercies are everlasting; his covenant is forever. As we sing these words it says the same for us. We remember that God has shown us His mercies and faithfulness and so we are strengthened and encouraged to continue to walk by faith in Him and His grace as we go into the unknown future.

## Encouragement Group Discussion Questions

### Scripture Reading Acts 17:16-34

1. Consider what Athens was like and what Paul saw, and how there are similarities with 21<sup>st</sup> century western culture, even New Zealand.
2. What can we learn for evangelism from how Paul spoke in that context?
3. In verses 24-31, what are the six great things Paul says about God to the Athenians and how does that contrast with and challenge their idolatries, and ours?
4. What was Paul's motivation for evangelism here? What does it mean to say that "mission exists because worship doesn't"?
5. Is it possible that Christians are not motivated for evangelism because of a lack of zeal for God's glory? And do you think the lack of zeal can be traced to modern day idolatries? Discuss. How can we find grace to be renewed in zeal and mission?

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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)).



## 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: 5<sup>th</sup> of June, *next Sunday*

### Men's Ministry

**What** Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young)  
**When** From 6:30 pm, 8<sup>th</sup> of June (monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)  
**Where** TBA  
**Contact** Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

### Prayer Meeting

**When** 7:15, 22<sup>nd</sup> of June (4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month)  
**Where** Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

### Welcoming Geoff and Jaia

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### Professions of Faith

On Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Combined Northern Presbytery Worship

- What** To instal Lenny Long to Pastoral Ministry  
**When** 3:30 pm, Sunday, 3rd of July, followed with a celebration braai/dinner. ***Note date change.***  
**Where** Takanini School Hall, entrance off Old Park Place

## News regarding the Brazilian Missionaries coming to Shore

Because of Covid and border restrictions, for a number of years we have been waiting and planning for Pastor Marcos Oliveira dos Santos and his wife Edenise and children Lucas, Stephanie, and André, to come to New Zealand and be hosted here at Shore Pres. They are to serve with us for a couple of years as they learn language and culture. Now with the borders opening up and the provision of a new interim visa we may be welcoming them in the next couple of months. Praise the Lord.

## Lady's Ministry

- What** Mid-winter Brunch  
**When** Saturday, 2nd of July, 11.am  
**Where** A'ruma Malaysian Restaurant, 88 Te Oneroa Way, Torbay,  
**Cost** \$10 per person (the rest is subsidized)  
**Contact** Please RSVP by the 24th of June - sharmini.paddick@gmail.com

## Serving Roster for next Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of June – 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	Sophia Burton and Grace Ng	Dennis	Dennis, Allan Huang and Sebastian Bonnici	Dennis, Allan, Sebastian & Volunteers	Volunteers

## Potential New Pastor for Shore Pres

Thank you for praying for this matter of a new Pastor for Shore Pres. Today, after much work on the part of the Calling Committee, we want to let you know that Russell Thomas from the USA has expressed a desire to move forward with a Calling Process to Shore Pres. In the coming days we will let you know more about him, and hopefully you will be able to meet him, so that you as a congregation can make the final decision as to whether you would like to call him as your Pastor. Here is Russell with his wife Sarah and children Zoe, Isaiah, Moriah, Karis and baby (?)





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