



Welcome to Worship

SUNDAY 10th OF JULY 2022

A Congregation of Grace Presbyterian
Church of New Zealand



Welcome to Shore Presbyterian Church

New to Church? We do understand that coming to a church meeting can be an uncomfortable experience for many people. We don't want you to feel anxious. Our style is relaxed and friendly and nobody will be put on the spot or asked to do something unfamiliar. ***You can simply be here and observe or participate to the degree you are comfortable.*** You do not have to be a Christian; this is an opportunity, in a non-threatening environment to learn more about who Jesus is and why we want to follow him. If you don't feel like praying, singing, or even standing up you don't need to, no one will think less of you. We will try to explain some aspects of the meeting as we go but we realise that some of our practices may seem strange. If you have any questions about why we do any of the things we do please don't hesitate to ask anyone who's involved with the service. Our pastor would love to answer any questions you have about the service or the message.

Thanks again for joining with us this morning. We hope you find the time to be both encouraging and thought provoking. Please join us after the service for coffee, tea and snacks.

Call to Worship Psalms 113:1-5¹

¹ Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!

² Blessed be the name of the Lord
from this time forth and for evermore!

³ From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised!

⁴ The Lord is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens!

⁵ Who is like the Lord our God,
who is seated on high ...?

Songs of Adoration² & Praise When Peace like a River

Author: Horatio Spafford

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul)

It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed his own blood for my soul.

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul)

It is well, it is well, with my soul.

My sin, Oh the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Oh my soul!

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul)

It is well, it is well, with my soul.

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.

And Lord haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

*It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul)
It is well, it is well, with my soul.*

I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)³

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*

³ 'I will wait for You' is based on Psalm 130, one of the great Psalms of distress and longing for God's intervention in our lives. A significant number of the Psalms articulate the tension of knowing that God is faithful and caring towards us, and yet we often experience great pain and adverse circumstances that would seem to suggest otherwise. The cry of the Psalm and of this song is a response to this tension: of being willing to trust, to wait on Him, to live with the pain with our eyes still fixed on him, knowing that He will never leave or forsake us. It is a powerful thing to look to God with trust and patience through the hard times we will all face at some point in our lives.

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
That all who trust in Him today
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*

Corporate Profession of Faith Romans 8:31-39

Leader What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

People He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

Leader Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

People Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Leader Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

People As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

Leader No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

ALL - *for I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

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 Colossians 1:15-29 (Church Bible p983)

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 (p13) for further information about the offering.

Song of preparation for hearing God's Word

Shine Into Our Night

Sovereign Grace Music

We are not what we should be
We haven't sought what we should seek
We've seen Your glory, Lord, but looked away
Our hearts are bent, our eyes are dim
Our finest works are stained with sin
And emptiness has shadowed all our ways

Jesus Christ, shine into our night
Drive our dark away
Till Your glory fills our eyes
Jesus Christ, shine into our night
Bind us to Your cross, where we find life

Still we often go astray
We chase the world, forget Your grace
But You have never failed to bring us back
Reveal the depths of what You've done
The death You died, the vict'ry won
You made a way for us to know Your love
Jesus Christ, shine into our night
Drive our dark away
Till Your glory fills our eyes
Jesus Christ, shine into our night
Bind us to Your cross, where we find life **(repeat)**
Where we find life **(x3)**

Message *Colossians 1:21-23*

"Reconciliation: The Problem and the Peacemaker"

Message outline for your notes, thoughts, questions

INTRODUCTION

- I. THE DEPTH OF OUR NEED, verse 21**

- II. THE PEACEMAKER, verse 22a**

- III. THE PURPOSE OF PEACE, verse 22b**

- IV. OUR RIGHT AND REASONABLE RESPONSE, verse 23**

Closing Song He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Interlude

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Saviour loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

BENEDICTION⁴

⁴ 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 Colossians 1:21-23

1. Discuss the human problem described in Colossians 1:21. How is the problem more than just “doing wrong stuff”? What does it mean to say that sin is the idolatry of seeking to find life somewhere other than in God (think about Genesis 3 and the 1st Commandment)?
2. What are the ways that we might do that? Discuss how these other things are unstable, enslaving and disappointing.
3. How does this displace God and offend against Him as the only one worthy of all honor and glory? What has God done to fix the problem? What is reconciliation? What does it mean to think of reconciliation in terms of God being reconciled? How is grace shown here? Check 2 Corinthians 5:18-21.
4. What does it mean for God through Christ to reconcile to Himself “all things” (see verse 20)? Discuss the “hope of glory” contained in that.
5. What is so encouraging in the purpose for peace-making that is expressed in verse 22b?
6. How do we remain stable and steadfast through this life – as we face the storms of false doctrine, adversity, and temptations to sin - according to verse 23? What does that look like?

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: 7th of August

Men's Ministry

What Men...encouraging men...reaching men (young & not so young)
When From 6:30 pm, 13th of July (monthly 2nd Wednesday), **this week**
Where Pastor Pete's home
Contact Pastor Pete 021 0367 957

Prayer Meeting

When 7:15, 27th of July (4th Wed of the month)
Where Boyd's home, 15 Summit Drive, Torbay

Update on Russell and Sarah Thomas – potential new Pastor

Wonderfully encouraging news, Russell and Sarah have been able to secure a medical exemption that, Lord willing, will enable them to come to New Zealand. We are currently processing a Critical Purpose Visa which would enable them to come sooner rather than later and then they would apply for a Work Visa here. There is a small window before the end of July to apply for the first visa so do pray for that process. In the meantime they have booked to come for a brief initial visit with us from the 29th of July to the 7th of August. This will enable us to get to know them as we seek the Lord's will for the future. Russell and Sarah will come with baby Evangeline and Russell will preach on both the 31st of July and the 7th of August.

Pastor Pete in Brazil

Pastor Pete, along with Pastor Geoff Macpherson will be visiting the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Brazil (IPB) from the 21st of July to the 1st of August. This is a visit to strengthen relationships with that Church as they seek to send men to serve as a missionaries among us. We will also be catching up with Joao and Tania while there. Do pray safety and kingdom fruit for that journey. In Peter's absence Geoff Vucetich is kindly preaching on the 24th of July and Russell Thomas on the following two Sundays.

Serving Roster for next Sunday the 17th of July

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	Dorette Knoesen and Lydia Song	Dennis	Dennis and Song Family	Dennis, Song Family and 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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