

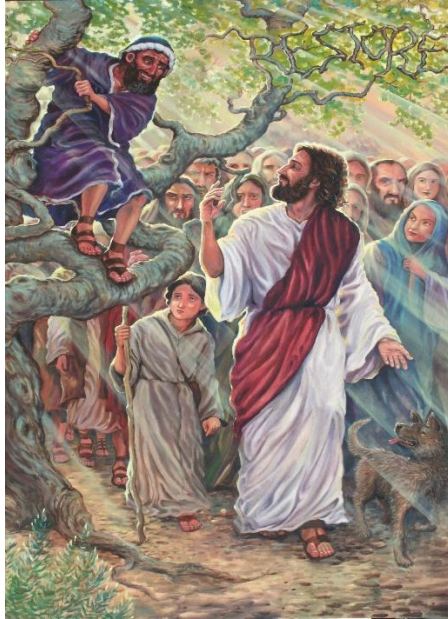
**Gisborne Presbyterian Parish welcomes you to
St Andrew's Church**

www.standrewsgis.org.nz

Sunday 3 November 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE

Today we consider the significance of All Saints' Day and think about the faith that sustained God's people who have been examples to us from the past, so we can reflect on our own faith.



**May God bless, inspire and challenge you
and give you peace.**

Worship leader: Rev Mary Petersen

Organist: David Russell

Reader: Lorraine Corbett Prayers: Jill Wallis

Director of Music: Catherine Macdonald & Choir

We gather to worship as God's people

Welcome ... and notices

Moments of Silence to prepare ourselves to Worship God

Introit CH4 716 Come and find the quiet centre v.1

**Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.**

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord. We worship God together.

We come here for an encounter with God

To listen and to hear the Spirit of God,

To be filled afresh with a sense of gratitude, mystery and wonder

To respond in thanksgiving, praise and worship.

God welcomes you into God's community, God's family.

If you feel broken or lost, fragile or sad, God offers joy and peace.

**Loving God, may our hearts and minds be open
to receive you in a new way. Amen**

Sing: CH4 63i All people that on earth do dwell

**All people that on earth do dwell
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.**

**Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**Oh enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

We listen to and engage with the Word of God

**Congregational story time: *Who are your heroes?*
*Who are saints for you?***

What about Zac who climbed a tree to see Jesus?

Sing: CH4 533 Will you come and follow me? vv 1,2,5

**Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?**

**Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?**

**Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.**

Readings: Luke 19: 1 - 10 Good News Bible
2 Thessalonians 1: 1 – 4, 11 – 12

Lorraine Corbett

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God.

Sing: CH4 740 For all the saints vv 1,2,5,8

**For all the saints, who from their labours rest;
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear their one true light.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reflection: YOU ARE SAINTS OF GOD

- *Zaccheus experienced rejection,
but discovered repentance and restoration*
- *stamped, sealed and guaranteed by the Spirit. Ephesians 1: 13 - 14*
- *consistency of faith and works means that the story
of faith and witness continues through you*

A changed life

Origen, a Christian in the third century AD, talked with a pagan who said that Jesus was followed by "the rag, tag and bobtail of humanity".

Origen acknowledged that Jesus called those who were down and beaten by life “*But Jesus does not leave them that way. He fashions people of strength, giving them back self-respect, enabling them to stand on their feet ... they were cowed, cringing, broken things but God has set them free.*”

God has set you free. Go live in that freedom. Be a saint.

We respond to God

The choir sings: HS 144 We thank you for the heritage vv 1,2,5

We thank you for the heritage of faith we have received,
for all that in the name of Christ was dreamed of and achieved.
For lives begun and ended well with gracious words of grace,
for hopes and fears, for joy and tears laid down before your face.
We bring ourselves, and give our trust, in confidence that you
will be, O God, our guide, our goal, in all we seek to do.

Here generations have explored the mysteries of faith,
and found for open, questing minds a hospitable place.
We thank you for the heritage of thought we have received,
for all that challenged, comforted, was questioned and believed.
We seek for yet more light and truth, in confidence that you
will be, O God, our guide, our goal, in all we seek to do.

We worship as your gathered church: ancestral voices sing
with us, as in our turn, O God, our grateful praise we bring.
We thank you for this heritage of witness, love and prayer,
of selfless service, hope renewed, of fellowship and care.
The story now is ours to write; we raise new songs to you,
from age to age our guide, our goal, in all we seek to do.

Prayers of the people *written by Jill Wallis, read by Lorraine Corbett*

Offering

Sing: as the offering is carried down the aisle:
Praise God 808 to 809

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God, the Trinity of love,
before, beneath, around, above.**

... and dedication of the offering and ourselves

**God, we thank you for all your gifts to us.
Bless the offerings we bring
And bless us as we seek to serve you. Amen**

We go blessed by the Spirit of God

Sing: AA 8 or CH4 694 Brother, Sister, let me serve you

**Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you,
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.**

**I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you,
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.**

**When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love, and agony.**

**Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.**

Blessing:

**"May God give you the power to accomplish all the good
things your faith prompts you to do. Then the name of our
Lord Jesus will be honoured because of the way you live."
(2 Thess.1: 11-12)**

**May we live as God's people, serving others,
in the love and grace of God.**

**Go in faith and peace to live God's way.
God loves you. God will bless you. Amen**

Sing: Amen, Amen, A- amen.

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
November 3	Lorraine Corbett	<u>Don McConnochie</u> Joan McKay Marilyn Matthews	Danielle & Sabine Lapointe	S: Peter Cowley V: Alan Groves
November 10 <i>Communion Celebration</i> <i>Guardian Angel</i>	Cathy Porter	<u>Pat Smith</u> Jenny Lawton Sarah McConnochie	Sally Willis Karen Neumegen	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin Matthews

NOTICES

Monday	4	9.00am 10.15am	Walking Group Worship Committee Meeting
Tuesday	5	10.00am	Open Door
Wednesday	6	9.45am	mainly music
Friday	8	1.00pm	Choir Practise
Saturday	9	8.00am	Car Boot sale
Sunday	10	10.30am	St Andrew's Service Communion & Celebration Sunday. Armistice Day No Service at Matawhero



**Everyone is invited to
EXPLORING PRAYER
Thursday November 14th 1.30pm
in the St Andrew's Chapel**

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SOCIAL GROUP OUTING to see "The Vicar of Dibley" a
musical adaptation based on the well-known TV series.
If you would like to go as a group to the performance at
Lawson Field on Sunday 24th November at 2.00 pm please
let Mike Willis or the office know as soon as possible.

Tickets \$37.50 for seniors.

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ST ANDREWS DINNER SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30th
from 5.30 pm in the hall – fun & entertainment provided
\$10 pp payable in advance– numbers attending no later than
Monday 25 November please.

A clipboard will be available in the lounge after church
for names & numbers attending.

If you wish to assist in any way, please phone Pat Flockhart

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CAR BOOT SALES Saturday November 9th
and November 23rd & 14 December

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SAMARITAN CHRISTMAS BOXES – must be in the office by Monday November 4th please.

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COMMUNION ROSTER NOVEMBER 10

DON MCCONNOCHIE

CHRISSIE PARKER

Jenny Lawton, Jean Hillyard, Gwenda Crawshaw, Lynnor Cooke,
Linda Savage, Pat Flockhart

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