

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

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Sunday 10 November 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE

to worship God together, to share in communion with God and each other and to enjoy fellowship together.



**Today we REMEMBER and HONOUR ALL WHO DIED
during World War 1 and 2 and we CELEBRATE ARMISTICE DAY
101 YEARS AGO. We also remember all who died in the
MATAWHEREO TRAGEDY 151 YEARS AGO TODAY**

Please stay for morning tea in the church lounge.

Worship leader: *Rev Mary Petersen*

Organist: *Paul Pollock*

Reader: *Cathy Porter*

Director of Music: *Catherine Macdonald*

St Andrew's Choir

Please feel free to sit for the hymns if that is more comfortable for you

We gather together as the people of God

Welcome ... notices ...

Moments of silence to prepare ourselves for worship

Introit: Please remain seated while we sing.
*The Bible and candle, representing the light of Christ among us,
will be carried into the church during the singing.*

CH4 161 O God our help in ages past v. 1,5,6

**O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home!**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.**

**O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.**

Call to worship:

Come, let us go to the mountain of the Lord

So that God may teach us God's ways

And we may walk in God's path.

Then nations shall beat their swords into ploughs

And their spears into pruning hooks;

Nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

Micah 4: 2- 3

Behold how good and pleasant it is

when brothers dwell in unity.

Psalm 133: 1

God keeps in perfect peace

all whose mind is focused on God.

Isaiah 26: 3

Blessed are the peacemakers

For they shall be called the children of God.

Love your enemies

and pray for those who persecute you.

Matthew 5: 9 & 44

May you be open to God inspiring you today.

We come to praise God together.

Sing: CH 4 159 Lord for the years v. 1,2,5

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,

urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,

sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,

Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

**Lord, for that word, the Word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.**

**Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

Celebration Sunday -

this is the opportunity for those who have birthdays this month
or anniversaries or other special events or news
to share with the church family

Sing: Celebration song

**Celebrations today
May God bless you we pray
Live for Jesus dear people
May he guide you each day**

We listen to and engage with the Word of God

Congregational story time:

Why do we remember tragedies and wars?

- *remembering all who died*
- *honouring the peacemakers*
- *being grateful for the end of wars, like WW1*
- *what do we learn from war and tragedy?*

Sing: AA 51 God of Nations v.1 in Maori and English

**God of Nations, at thy feet,
In the bonds of love we meet;
Hear our voices we entreat,
God defend our free land!
Guard Pacific's triple star
From the shafts of strife and war,
Make her praises heard afar;
God defend New Zealand!**

<p>E Ihoa Atua, o nga Iwi Matoura, Ata whakarongona; me aroha noa. Kia hua ko te pai; Kia tau to atawhai; Manaakitia mai Aotearoa.</p>
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*Remembering those from this congregation
who died in World War 1 and 2 and honouring those who
died in the Matawhero Tragedy and at Ngatapa*

The Choir sings: HS 61 Honour the dead

Words: Shirley Murray Music: Colin Gibson

Honour the dead, our country's fighting brave
honour our children left in foreign grave,
where poppies grow and sorrow seeds her flowers,
honour the crosses marked forever ours.

Weep for the places ravaged with our blood,
weep for the young bones buried in the mud,
weep for the powers of violence and greed,
weep for the deals done in the name of need.

Honour the brave whose conscience was their call,
answered no bugle, went against the wall,
suffered in prisons of contempt and shame,
branded as cowards, in our country's name.

Weep for the waste of all that might have been,
weep for the cost that war has made obscene,
weep for the homes that ache with human pain,
weep that we ever sanction war again.

Honour the dream for which our nation bled,
held now in trust to justify the dead,
honour their vision on this solemn day:
peace known in freedom, peace the only way.

We listen to and engage with the Word of God

Readings: Luke 6: 27 - 36 (GNT)
Luke 20: 27 – 40

Cathy Porter

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 710 I have a dream v. 1 , 2, 4, 5 Tune to Repton

**‘I have a dream’, a man once said,
‘where all is perfect peace;
where men and women, black and white,
stand hand in hand, and all unite
in freedom and in love.’ x 2**

**But in this world of bitter strife
the dream can often fade;
reality seems dark as night,
we catch but glimpses of the light
*Christ sheds on humankind x 2***

**So dream the dreams and sing the songs,
but never be content;
for thoughts and words don't ease the pain:
unless there's action, all is vain;
*faith proves itself in deeds x2***

**Lord, give us vision, make us strong,
help us to do your will;
don't let us rest until we see
your love throughout humanity
*uniting us in peace x 2***

Reflection: THE STRANDS OF TRAGEDY AND HOPE

- *Our dreams and God's vision, not misunderstanding and dishonour*
- *Mercy and love for enemies instead of struggles for power*
- *faith in action, uniting in peace*
- *The God of the living gives us hope.*

We respond to God

Sing: Hope for the World's Despair

Tune: Love Unknown CH4 399

**Hope for the world's despair:
we feel the nations' pain;
can anything repair
this broken earth again?
For this we pray:
in every place
a spark of grace
to light the way.**

**Wisdom for all who bear
the future in their hand,
entrusted with the care
of this and every land.
When comes the hour,
O Lord, we pray,
inspire the way
we spend our power.**

**Honour for all who've paid
war's painful, bitter price,
when duty called they made
the greatest sacrifice.
Their memory
will never cease
to cry for peace
and harmony.**

**Ease for the troubled mind
in endless conflict caught,
each soul that cannot find
the peace beyond all thought.
May they be blessed
with healing balm
for inner calm
and perfect rest.**

**Love for the human heart:
when hate grows from our fears
and inwardly we start
to turn our ploughs to spears.
Help us to sow
love's precious seed
in word and deed,
that peace may grow.**

Ally Barrett - winner of Jubilate's Hymns of Peace competition 2018, to mark the centenary of Armistice Day and the end of the First World War.

Prayers of the People

God of peace and love
Unite us in action with your vision of hope.
Gracious God, we mourn all those who have died in war,
especially those who went from this church
to serve their country in world wars,
And those who died at Matawhero and Ngatapa.
Gentle Spirit, teach us peace.
Loving God, we grieve for the evil results of war.
Gentle Spirit, teach us peace.
God of compassion who can take away our pain,
May we turn to you for comfort and strength.

God of healing, may we be healed
From any sense of animosity, judgement and fear.

**May we be filled to overflowing
With your deep peace and love.**

God of humanity, teach us to love all made in your image,
Gentle Spirit, teach us peace.

God of new beginnings, thank you
For welcoming all of us as your family.

**May we begin a new relationship
With you and with each other.**

God of hope, inspire us with your wisdom.

**May we live out our faith
With hope and wisdom.**

In the silence we pray for all those known to us
who have a special need of you today. ...

Whether they are grieving, or in pain,
Or struggling with some aspect of life,
May they know your peace and comfort.

Help us to see where we can be
the practical answer to our prayers.

Gentle Spirit, teach us peace. Amen

Offering ... and dedication of the offering and ourselves

*We sing as the offering is brought forward,
as part of our commitment prayer*

CH4 809 Praise God (to tune 808 Tallis's Canon)

**Praise God, the Source of life and birth;
Praise God, the Word, who came to earth;
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame:
All glory, honour to God's name.**

We pray together:

**God, we pray that you will bless these gifts
we bring in thanks to you.**

Bless us as we recommit ourselves to share your love. Amen

Sing: AA 128 Tama Ngakau Marie v. 1, 3, 6

Including English translation but not for singing

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| 1. | Tama ngakau marie
Tama a t'Atua
tenei tonu matou
arohaina mai. | <i>Son of a peaceful heart,
Son of God,
here we are,
love us.</i> |
| 3. | Takahia ki raro
tau e kino ai;
kei pa kaha tonu
ko nga mahi he. | <i>Trample under foot
whatever is evil
lest the power remain
of the evil deeds.</i> |
| 6. | Tama ngakau marie
Tama a t'Atua
tenei tonu matou,
arohaina mai. | <i>Son of a peaceful heart,
Son of God,
here we are,
love us.</i> |

We are in communion with God and each other

This is the Lord's table. All are welcome here.

The peace of God be with you all.

Peace is here for all to share.

We share the peace of God with one another.

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Come, ready to receive.

**We come to receive the Peace of God
and the Spirit of Love.**

Come together, with thanks and hope.

God's grace is our life and our joy.

Here we bring bread and the juice of the grape,
gifts of the earth, and signs of our human need.

We bring who we are to this sacred place.

We place these gifts of the earth
and ourselves in the hands of Christ.

May his spirit fill our hearts and shape our actions. Amen

As we celebrate the love and grace of God offered to us,

may we also celebrate being God's people in this time and place.

We come to this table together but we also come as individuals.

Through the love we know in Christ, we can share love with others.

We say together An Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in the God of astonishing hope,
Who accepts us, loves us and welcomes us
We believe in Jesus the Christ
Who showed us the depth of God's love.
We believe in the Spirit of Life
Who fills us with God's peace and strength.**

As we gather here today we are grateful
for all those who have taught us by word and example
how to be followers of Jesus.
They are a great cloud of witnesses around us.

Sharing communion is about celebrating Jesus
And celebrating that we all belong in the family of God.

*We will say together a version of the family prayer
Jesus taught his disciples*

**Loving God in whom is heaven,
The hallowing of your name echo throughout the universe
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
Now and forever. Amen**

In the symbolic imagery of spiritual food we receive
encouragement, strength and assurance
through the grace of God.

Prayer of thanksgiving

God of the table,
We live the story once more
Of that time and place when Jesus took bread
And asked for your blessing upon it.

Jesus talked of betrayal and promise.
Of companionship and trust,
Of breaking and sharing,
And remembrance and renewal.

We thank you for Jesus' life and example.
We thank you for these symbols of life
and ask for your blessing upon them.

Gracious God, come to us in the broken bread
– **nourish us.**

In the sharing of the cup
be our joy and our courage for life ahead.

**May we be fed by your love
and set free by your power
and may we go from this place
refreshed and renewed by your spirit.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

We take these symbols of bread and the cup
and do what Jesus asked of his followers.
We remember Jesus.

**We remember Christ's story.
We celebrate his risen life among us.**

After eating the Passover meal with his friends,
Jesus took bread, gave thanks to God,
and shared the bread with his disciples, saying:

*Take, eat.
Each time you do this, remember me.*

In the same way Jesus took the cup

*A body was broken,
a life poured out with the living hope of life,
healing, justice and peace for all.
This cup is the symbol of the new covenant between you and God.*

Jesus said:
Whenever you drink this, remember me.

The God of grace welcomes us all to this table,
this moment of communion with God and with each other.
We who are many are one body for we all share the one bread.
These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
May we who share these gifts be in Christ and Christ in us.

[*Please remain in your seats and the elders will come to serve you.
Eat the bread when you receive it but please hold the cup so that
we may drink together as a symbol of our unity in Christ.*]

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
Come let us drink together. ...

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all evermore. **Amen.**
We say together:

**For the power of Christ's love in our lives
For the promise of a world renewed,
We give our thanks and praise,
Most gracious God to you. Amen**

We go blessed by the Spirit of God

Sing: CH4 736 Give thanks for life to Sine Nomine

**Give thanks for life,
the measure of our days,
mortal, we pass through
beauty that decays,
yet sing to God our hope,
our love, our praise:**

Alleluia

**Give thanks for those
who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame,
bursting through the night,
who touched the truth, who
burned for what is right,**

Alleluia

**And for our own, our living
and our dead,
thanks for the love by
which our life is fed,
a love not changed by time
or death or dread,**

Alleluia

**Give thanks for hope that,
like the wheat, the grain
lying in darkness,
does its life retain
in resurrection to grow green again.**

Alleluia

Blessing:

May you be inspired by God's Spirit
To live with love and hope.
You are held in the deep peace of God.
Go to live in God's light and grace
and share God's love in the community.
God loves you. God bless you. **Amen**

We sing: Amen, Amen, A-men

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
10 November	Cathy Porter	<u>Pat Smith</u> Jenny Lawton Sarah McConnochie	Liz Lyell Karen Neumegen	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin Matthews
17 November	Dianne Burrows	<u>Alvin Hall</u> Cathy Porter Jean Hillyard	Val McGreevy Wendy Morris	S: Peter Cowley V: Don McConnochie

NOTICES

Monday	11	9.00am 9.30am	Walking Group Gardening at Matawhero Church
Tuesday	12	10.00am 1.30pm	Open Door Rymans Service
Wednesday	13	9.45am	mainly music
Thursday	14	1.30pm	<i>Gaining Confidence in Praying</i>
		<u>VENUE</u>	(St Andrew's Chapel)*****
		5.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Friday	15	1.00pm 7.00pm	Choir Practise Interfaith meeting Lounge
Sunday	17	9.00am 10.30am 3.00pm	Matawhero Worship Service St Andrew's Worship Service Sea of Faith in Lounge



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

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 Jill Wallis know as soon as possible, or leave a message at the office 868 5513
Tickets \$37.50 for seniors.

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 please put your \$10 (or cash cheque) in the bag provided with the clipboard.

Remember to tick off that you have paid.

If you wish to assist in any way, please phone Pat Flockhart or a Parish Council member.



IN FLANDERS FIELDS

*In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
between the crosses, row on row,
that mark our place; and in the sky
the larks, still bravely singing, fly
scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the dead, short days ago
we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
loved and were loved, and now we lie
in Flanders Fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
to you from failing hands we throw
the torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
we shall not sleep, though poppies grow
in Flanders Fields.*

John McCrae



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between the crosses,
row on row,
that mark our place;
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