

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

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Sunday 17 November 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE



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

Please stay for morning tea in the church lounge

Worship leader: *Rev Mary Petersen*

Organist: *David Russell Prayers: written by Jill Wallis*

Reader: *Dianne Burrows*

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 ...

A few moments of silence to prepare ourselves for worship

Introit: *Please remain seated while the Bible
and candle are carried into the church.
The choir sings the first time through
and everyone is invited to join in the second time.*

CH4 772 In the Lord I'll be ever thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.
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**In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.
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Call to worship: *from Isaiah 12*

A day is coming when people will sing
We praise you, Lord, you comfort us.
God is our Saviour.
We will trust God and not be afraid.
The Lord gives us power and strength.
God's people rejoice.

God is like fresh water for the thirsty.

Give thanks to the Lord.

God will help you.

We will sing to the Lord.

Let the whole world hear the Good News.

We praise and worship God together.

Sing: CH4 353 O for a thousand tongues to sing vv 1,2,5,6
Tune 353 / 2 *Lyngham*

**O for a thousand tongues, to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy!**

**My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.**

We listen to and engage with the Word of God

Congregational story time: Luke 4: 14 - 21
Jesus reads a scroll in the synagogue

Sing: CH4 448 Shine, Jesus, shine vv 1 and 3 Graham Kendrick

**Lord, the light of Your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth You now bring us,
shine on me, shine on me,**

Refrain

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory,
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light*

**As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
so our faces display Your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
Shine on me, shine on me,**

Reading: Isaiah 61: 1-3, 11 Good News Bible *Dianne Burrows*

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 112 God whose almighty word

**God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and, where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

Saviour, who came to bring,
on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
now to all humankind
let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy dove,
Speed forth your flight;
move o'er the waters' face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide
let there be light.

Reflection: WHAT IS THE GOOD NEWS?

- *Jesus seen through the eyes and order of Luke (and Isaiah)*
- *God's new creation: a commonwealth of justice, peace, joy, blessing, life (Isaiah 65: 17 – 18, 21 – 22)*
- *Following Jesus, with order, purpose and joy*
- *“come change our love from a spark to a flame”*

We respond to God

The choir sings: CH4 259 Beauty for brokenness *Graham Kendrick*

Beauty for brokenness,
hope for despair,
Lord, in the suffering
this is our prayer.
Bread for the children,
justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset
your kingdom increase.

Shelter for fragile lives,
cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen,
trade for their skills.
Land for the dispossessed,
rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause
of those who can't speak.

***God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray,
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love
from a spark to a flame.***

Refuge from cruel wars,
havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary,
freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing fields,
scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness,
his cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth,
oceans and streams,
plundered and poisoned,
our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness,
carelessness, greed;
make us content with
the things that we need.

Refrain

Lighten our darkness,
breathe on this flame,
until your justice
burns brightly again;
until the nations
learn of your ways,
seek your salvation
and bring you their praise.

Refrain

Prayers of the People

written by Jill Wallis read by Mary

Offering ... and dedication of the offering and ourselves

We sing as the offering is brought forward:

CH4 809 to 808 Praise God, the source of life

**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 of love, we offer these gifts to you
And ask that you will bless their use.
We offer ourselves to serve you
And ask for your blessing as we share your love. Amen**

We go blessed by the Spirit of God

Sing: HS 19 Deep in the human heart - Bill Wallace
To tune *Diademata* CH4 459

**Deep in the human heart
the fire of justice burns;
a vision of a world renewed
through radical concern.
As Christians we are called
to set the captives free,
to overthrow the evil powers
and end hypocrisy.**

**This is our task today -
to build a world of peace;
a world of justice, freedom, truth,
where kindness will increase;
a world from hunger freed,
a world where people share,
where every person is of worth
and no-one lives in fear.**

**Taking the step of faith,
we leave the past behind
and move into the future's world
with open heart and mind.
By grace we work with Christ,
as one community,
to bring new hope and fuller life
to all humanity.**

Blessing:

Go to live in the power of the Spirit of God.
God will inspire and encourage you.
Allow God's grace and love to flow through you,
So that your life will be a blessing to others.
God loves you. God will bless you. **Amen**

Sing: Amen, Amen, A...men.

NOTICES

Sunday	17	9.00am	Matawhero Worship Service
		10.30am	St Andrew's Worship Service
		3.00pm	Sea of Faith in Lounge
Monday	18	9.00am	Walking Group
		4.30pm	Finance Meeting
Tuesday	19	10.00am	Open Door
Wednesday	20	9.45am	mainly music
Thursday	21	3.30pm	Dunblane Rest Home Service
Friday	22	1.00pm	Choir Practise
Saturday	23	8.00am	Car Boot Sale
Sunday	24	10.30am	St Andrew's Worship Service - <i>Wellspring</i>
	24	2.00pm	No Service at Matawhero Vicar of Dibley - Lawson Field Theatre