

**GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH
WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE
Sunday 19 January 2020 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 lounge

Worship Leader: Rev Mary Petersen
Organist: David Russell **Reader:** Bob Bos
Prayers: Lynnor Cooke

We gather together as the people of God

Welcome ... notices ...

Time of silence to prepare ourselves for worship

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

Sing: CH4 161 O God our help v. 1,3,6

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

**Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.**

**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:

I waited patiently for the Lord's help;
God listened to me and heard my cry.

God set me safely on a rock.

God made me secure.

God taught me to sing a new song,
a song of praise to our God.

Those who hear will put their trust in the Lord.

Blessed are those who trust the Lord.

I love to do your will, o God.

I keep your teaching in my heart.

I will keep sharing your good news, o God.

**I will speak of your faithfulness and help,
your loyalty and constant love.**

The Light of God shines among us. God is with us.

**May our minds be open to understanding
God's word for us today.**

May our souls be open to God's healing and inspiration.

May our hearts be open to worship God together.

Sing with joy to God, all the earth.

We will praise God together.

Sing: AA 72 In this familiar place

In this familiar place

I know the mystery of your grace.

*For the love that I receive, for the truth that I believe,
I praise and thank you for this here and now.*

In halting song and word

The music of your voice is heard.

Refrain

Psalm 40: 1 - 11

Among these friends of mine
I taste the company divine.

Refrain

Within this narrow sphere
I learn that you are everywhere.

Refrain

We listen to and engage with the Word of God

Congregational story time: *Disciples of John follow Jesus*
and Andrew takes Simon Peter to Jesus
John 1: 29 - 42

Sing: CH4 339 Sing of Andrew v.1 Tune: Ode to Joy CH4 173

**Sing of Andrew, John's disciple,
led by faith through ways untrod,
till the Baptist cried at Jordan,
'There behold the Lamb of God'.
Stirred by hearing this new teacher,
Andrew, freed from doubt and fear,
ran to tell his brother Simon,
'God's Anointed One is here!'**

Readings from the Good News Bible

Bob Bos

Isaiah 49: 1 – 7

1 Corinthians 1: 1 – 9

For the Word of God in Scripture
For the Word of God among us
For the Word of God within us
We thank God

Sing: CH4 606 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

**Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,
unmistakable and clear,
mighty signs that show your presence,
overcoming doubt and fear.**

**Lord, you sometimes speak in whispers,
still and small and scarcely heard;
only those who want to listen
catch the all-important word.**

**Lord, you sometimes speak in silence,
through our loud and noisy day;
we can know and trust you better
when we quietly wait and pray.**

**Lord, you sometimes speak in Scripture,
words that summon from the page,
shown and taught us by your Spirit
with fresh light for every age.**

**Lord, you always speak in Jesus,
always new yet still the same:
teach us now more of our Saviour,
make our lives display His Name.**

Reflection: CHOSEN, CALLED AND BLESSED

- *Who is Israel in Isaiah? concentric answers:
nation, remnant, individual*
- *Who are God's people? - belong, in union with Christ,
message firmly established, trust God*
- *in partnership with God – koinonia – servants of the Servant*
- *what does it mean to you to be called to be God's holy people?*

We respond to God

Sing: HS 9 Beautiful Presence

**Beautiful presence, how can we name you?
Words are too small for the one who is all.
How can we speak of your gentleness in us,
the warmth of our hearts in response to your call?**

*Beautiful presence, ocean of love,
strong as forever, soft as a dove,
Words often fail us, but this we know true,
you live within us as we live in you.*

**There have been times of spiritual blindness,
when error and pain have distorted our sight.
Beautiful presence, you were there with us,
to show us how darkness can turn into light.**

Refrain

**Nothing that happens to us will be wasted,
all of our living is grounded in grace.
Gently you take down the walls of division,
Leading us on to a larger place.**

Refrain

Joy Cowley

Prayers of the People - Lynnor Cooke

And we pray together a version of The Lord's Prayer

**Loving God in whom is heaven,
May your name be honoured and kept holy,
The way of your justice be followed,
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**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**

Offering ... and dedication of the offering and ourselves

We sing as the offering is carried down the aisle

808 to 809 Praise God

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

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: CH4 543 Longing for light

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.**

Refrain

**Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.**

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice....*Christ be our light*.....**

**Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.....*Christ be our light*.....**

**Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone.....*Christ be our light*.....**

**Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.....*Christ be our light*.....**

Blessing:

May you truly be God's holy people wherever you go.

May the light of Christ shine in and through you.

You are called and blessed by God.

May your life be a blessing to others.

God loves you. God bless you. **Amen.**

Sing: Amen, Amen, A...men

Next Sunday - 26 January 10.30am

ST ANDREW'S WORSHIP & CELEBRATIONS

followed by a *Congregational Meeting*
to review the trial, since July 2019,
of the change in time for St Andrew's services.

The congregation needs to decide which option
to choose:

- continue with 10.30 a.m. start for St Andrew's every week,
- go back to 10 a.m. every week
- or start at 10.30 a.m. on first Sunday of the month and 10 a.m. other Sundays.

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
19 January	Bob Bos	<u>Pat Smith</u> Chrissie Parker Dianne Burrows	Trish Kwak Marilyn Matthews	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin Matthews
26 January	tba	<u>Don McConnochie</u> Sarah McConnochie Jean Robinson	Jan Gordon Pat Flockhart	S: Peter Cowley V: Alan Groves

NOTICES

Monday	20	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	21	10.00am	Open Door at Val & Alvin's - 109 Ormond Road
Thursday	23	2.00pm	Leighton House Service - All welcome
Saturday	25	8.30am	Car Boot Sale
Sunday	26	10.30am	St Andrew's Worship Service & Celebrations and Congregational Meeting No Service at Matawhero



PARISH DIRECTORY

If you have moved house, or changed/added a phone number or have a new email address – please let Liz in the office know so that the Directory can be updated and published on Mon 24th February

Parish Council 2019- 2020

Rev Mary Petersen
Jenny Lawton
Mike Willis
Jan Ewart
Pat Flockhart
Margaret Graham
Silia Letufuga
Wendy Morris
Cathy Porter
Marie Burgess
Peter Cowley
Jan Gordon

Minister (Transitional)
Parish Clerk
Treasurer

ENVELOPE OFFERING SYSTEM



If you would like to go onto the envelope offering system, please see Jean Hillyard or contact the office. A tax receipt is given at the end of the financial year. Another simple way of giving is to set up a direct debit from your bank account to:

GPP: 03 0638 0462917 00

This is easily arranged just talk with Liz Lyell, Administrator and she can advise you how to go about either of these methods of giving.