# GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

Matawhero Church – Church Lane St Andrew's Church and Community Centre: 176 Cobden Street, Gisborne

2 August 2020

Pentecost 9

Left alone with God!



Ministers: All the people in Christ Minister: Rev Jin Sook Kim

Reader: Colleen Skuse Organist: Gavin Dale

**Director of Music:** Catherine Macdonald

# We gather together as the people of God

#### **Welcome & Notices**

We take a few moments of silence to prepare ourselves to worship God The Bible and Candle, representing the Light of Christ among us, will be carried into the Church during the singing of the Introit. Please remain seated during the singing.

Introit - Lord Jesus Think on Me, CH4 #491, verses 2 & 4

Lord Jesus, think on me, with care and woe oppressed; let me thy loving servant be, and taste thy promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point thou the heavenly way.

Call to Worship
Call upon the Lord, and God will answer.
Show us your steadfast love, gracious God, this day and always.
Let us worship God!

*We sing* – Love Divine all loves excelling (CH4 #519), verses 1-3 Harmonisation © Oxford University Press

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver; let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave: thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation: pure and spotless let us be, let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## **Opening Prayer**

Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

As you came to Jacob in the night, come to us, that we may be satisfied when we awake. Jacob said, "I will not let you go until you bless me." The man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." And there God blessed him.

As you blessed Jacob, bless us, that we may behold your face.

Jesus saw a great crowd, had compassion for them, and cured their sick.

As you healed the sick, heal us, that we may tell of your wondrous love.

Jesus ordered the crowd to sit down on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the crowd. All ate and were filled.

As you blessed the bread, bless us, that we may be bread for the world. Come to us, heal us, and bless us, everlasting and merciful God. Amen.

**Prayer of Confession** 

**Words of Assurance** 

#### Story Time - Movie Talk - 'Home Alone'

Question: What did the boy learn from being left alone?



We sing – Come, O thou traveller unknown verses 1-3

Author: Charles Wesley, YE BANKS AND BRAES/BONNIE DOON

Come, O thou Traveller unknown, whom still I hold, but cannot see; my company before is gone, and I am left alone with thee; with thee all night I mean to stay, and wrestle till the break of day.

I need not tell thee who I am, my misery or sin declare; thyself hast called me by my name; look on thy hands, and read it there! But who, I ask thee, who art thou? Tell me thy name, and tell me now.

In vain thou strugglest to get free; I never will unloose my hold. Art thou the man that died for me? The secret of thy love unfold: wrestling, I will not let thee go, till I thy name, thy nature know. Yield to me now, for I am weak, but confident in self-despair; speak to my heart, in blessings speak, be conquered by my instant prayer. Speak, or thou never hence shalt move, and tell me if thy name is Love!

'Tis Love!' tis Love! Thou diedst for me! I hear thy whisper in my heart! The morning breaks, the shadows flee; pure universal Love thou art: to me, to all, thy mercies move; thy nature and thy name is Love.

Readings

First reading: Genesis 32:22-31 (NRSV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Gospel reading: Matthew 14:13-21 (NRSV)

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise to Christ the Word** 

Sermon - 'Left Alone with God!'

(We'll have a moment of silence for reflection while listening to the choir)

Anthem – Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face (CH4 #664 verses 1-4)

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face; here would I touch and handle things unseen, here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace, and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness; mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing blood; here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace — thy blood, thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God, here drink with thee the royal wine of heaven; here would I lay aside each earthly load, here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

This is the hour of banquet and of song; this is the heavenly table spread for me; here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong this hallowed hour of fellowship with thee.

### **Prayers of Intercession**

# Offering

#### **Offering Prayer**

Receive these gifts we offer, gracious God, and multiply them to meet the needs in your world. **Amen.** 

*We sing* – Where the road runs out © Colin Gibson, Alleluia Aotearoa #156, verses 1-3,

Where the road runs out and the signposts end, where we come to the edge of today, be the God of Abraham for us, send us out upon our way.

#### Refrain:

Lord, you were our beginning, the faith that gave us birth. We look to you, our ending, our hope for heaven and earth.

When the coast is left and we journey on to the rim of the sky and the sea, be the sailor's friend, be the dolphin Christ, lead us on to eternity.

Refrain:

When the clouds are low and the wind is strong, when tomorrow's storm draws near, be the spirit bird hovering overhead who will take away our fear.

Refrain:

# Sending

#### **Benediction**

You have been fed with the bread of heaven, and blessed by the presence and peace of God. Now go into the world in the peace of Christ to be bread for the world.

We go in Christ's name. Amen.

Benediction (Together)
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
Be with us all now and forever.

**Sing: AMEN x 3** CH4 #819

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
August 2	Colleen Skuse	Jenny Lawton Jean Robinson Pat Flockhart	Trish Kwak Sally Willis	S: Peter Cowley V: Don McConnochie
August 9	Gwenda Crawshaw	Seton Clare Marilyn Matthews Dianne Burrows	Paulina Melief Sally Willis (or someone else!)	S: Peter Cowley V: Alan Groves

# **OFFERINGS**

"Please be informed that cheques will not be accepted by banks in the near future. If possible, please use either the internet banking or set up direct debit with the help of your bank. If you are uncertain as to how you might pay your offering in the future, please contact Liz, in the office. She will confidently advise the easiest/best way forward."

# **NOTICES**



Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to a Join Zoom Meeting Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

on FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89869221868

Meeting ID: 898 6922 1868

Passcode: 815919

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#### **DIARY**

Sunday	02	9.00am 10.30am	Matawhero Communion St Andrew's Worship	
Monday	03	12.00pm	Korero me kai meeting	
Tuesday	04	10.00am	Open Door	
Wednesday	05	9.45am	mainly music	
Thursday	06	5.30pm	Whakarongo at Matawhero	
Friday	07	1.00pm	choir practice	
Saturday	08	8.00am	Car Boot Sale	
Sunday	09	10.30am	St Andrew's Communion	
No Service at Matawhero				
Monday	10	9.00am	Walking Group	
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		12.00pm	Korero me kai	

WHAKARONGO (Listen!) and Fellowship Combining Drawing for Spirituality and bible study. Thursdays from 5.30pm.

Registration form - clipboard in the church foyer

Thurs 0	6 Augus	st 5.30pm	Matawhero lounge
Thurs 13	August	t 5.30pm	St Andrew's lounge
Thurs 27	' August	t 5.30pm	St Andrew's lounge
Thurs 03	8 Sept	5.30pm	Matawhero lounge
Thurs 10	) Sept	5.30pm	St Andrew's lounge
Thurs 24	Sept	5.30pm	St Andrew's lounge

Monster Garage Sale

St Andrew's Community Centre

Saturday 5th September

From 8.00 am

Please bring in your goods anytime from now on (no broken items please)

(furniture on day before as no storage)

Convenor: Jenny Lawton

**THE KORERO ME KAI** will start officially on Monday the **10 August** at **12:00** so if you or others you know might enjoy such a gathering please come.

Jan Ewart 8627505/0273481434 email: ewartjc14@gmail.com



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#### **St Andrew's Lunchtime Concert Series**

<u>Gisborne Concert Band</u> Conducted by Matthew Lee

Saturday, 15 August, 2.00pm St Andrews Presbyterian Church

#### SUNDAY 23 AUGUST AT 2.00 PM CHORAL CAPERS CONCERT

Choral Capers is a free concert by the Gisborne Choral Society, in St Andrew's Church 2 pm on Sunday 23 August. There will be choral items old and new, plus guest singers, pianists and organist, and even a few audience singalongs.

# **OVER 80's SPRING FLOWERS**

To be dedicated and distributed after Church on Sunday 13 September.

Assistance with assembling of flowers on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> from 1.30pm would be a great



help, please let <u>Seton Clare 868 5665</u> or the office know if you can help. <u>Donations are requested</u> from those <u>under 80</u> towards costs and can be left with Liz in the office.

Or you can pay online: 03-0638-0462917-00 ref: flowers