

**GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH
WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE**

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

21 November 2021

Reign of Christ

Sunday service



Ministers: *All the people in Christ* **Minister:** *Rev Jin Sook Kim*
Reader: Val McGreevy
Director of Music: *Catherine Macdonald*

*We gather together as the people of God
Kia Ora, Talofa, Bulla, Shalom and Annyeong-haseyo*

Welcome & Notices

Introit – Open my eyes, that I may see, PCC #500, vv1-3

Open my eyes that I may see,
Glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready my God thy will to see;
open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear,
and while the wave-notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.

Refrain

Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share:

Refrain

Call to Worship - (Psalm 132:14-16)

“This is my resting place,” says our God,
“for I have desired it.

“I will bless its provisions;

“I will satisfy its poor with bread.

“Its priests I will clothe with salvation,

“and its faithful will shout for joy.”

Come then, with joy, and let us worship God.

We sing – O worship the King, all glorious above, *CH3 #35 (CH4 #127)*,
vv1-3 & 6

**O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.**

**O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.**

**The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.**

**O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,
While angels delight to hymn thee above,
thy ransomed creation, in glory ablaze,
in true adoration shall sing to thy praise.**

Prayers

Story Time – Solomon and two mothers (based on 1 Kings 3:16-28)

Question: How was the truth revealed?

We sing – The King of glory comes, Words © 1967 Willard F. Jabusch, Arrangement © 1974 Celebration Service Ltd. WB #34 (WOV #212), vv 1-5

Refrain:

**The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.**

Verse 1:

**Who is the King of glory, how shall we call him?
He is Emmanuel, the promised of ages.**

Refrain:

Verse 2:

**In all of Galilee, in city or village,
He goes among his people curing their illness.**

Refrain:

Verse 3:

**Sing then of David's Son, our Saviour and brother;
In all of Galilee was never another.**

Refrain:

Verse 4:

**He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation,
He took up on himself the sins of the nation**

Refrain:

Verse 5:

**He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen.
And he will share with us his heavenly vision**

(Refrain)

Reading – Val McGreevy

John 18:33-37

Sermon

The King of Truth

Anthem – Lord, whose love in humble service, ©Albert F. Bayly,
WB #46, vv 1-4

**Lord, whose love in humble service
Bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
Worked Your mercy's perfect deed:
We, Your servants, bring the worship
Not of voice alone, but heart;**

**Consecrating to Your purpose
Every gift which You impart.**

**Still Your children wander homeless;
Still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom;
Still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
Healed the sick and freed the soul,
By Your Spirit send Your power
To our world to make it whole.**

**As we worship, grant us vision,
Till your love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness
Dawns upon our quickened sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to ardent service,
Your abundant life to share.**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

**Abundant God,
prophecy says you are coming with the clouds
for every eye to see.
Until that day,
may the tithes and offerings we bring each week
do the holy work of making your reign
real in this community**

and in this world in need. Amen.

We sing- Community of Christ, Words © 1992 Hope Publishing Company, TUNE: LEONI (CH3 #358), WB #11, vv 1-4

**Community of Christ,
who make the Cross your own,
live out your creed and risk your life
for God alone:
the God who wears your face,
to whom all worlds belong,
whose children are of every race
and every song.**

**Community of Christ,
look past the Church's door
and see the refugee, the hungry,
and the poor.
Take hands with the oppressed,
the jobless in your street,
take towel and water, that you wash
your neighbour's feet.**

**Community of Christ,
through whom the word must sound --
cry out for justice and for peace
the whole world round:
disarm the powers that war
and all that can destroy,
turn bombs to bread, and tears of anguish
into joy.**

**When menace melts away,
so shall God's will be done,
the climate of the world be peace
and Christ its Sun;
our currency be love
and kindness our law,
our food and faith be shared as one
forevermore.**

Sending

Benediction

The Grace prayer

**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