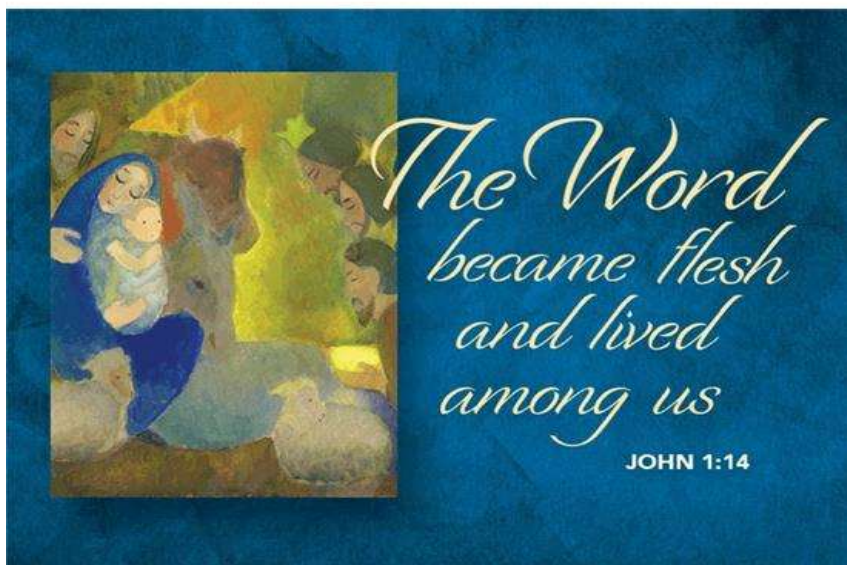


**GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH
WELCOME TO MATAWHEREO CHURCH GISBORNE**

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

*10.30 am Sunday 3 January 2021
Combined Service for Gisborne Presbyterian Parish*



Led by Alvin Hall

Minister: *Rev Jin Sook Kim*

Reader: *Sally Spence*

Organist: *Val Hall* **Director of Music:** *Catherine Macdonald*

We gather together as the people of God

Welcome, greetings and notices

Silent Preparation

Call to Worship: Psalm 19: 7-11 (RSV)

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect,
Response: reviving the soul;
Leader: the testimony of the LORD is sure,
Response: making wise the simple;
Leader: the precepts of the LORD are right,
Response: rejoicing the heart;
Leader: the commandment of the LORD is pure,
Response: enlightening the eyes;
Leader: the fear of the LORD is clean,
Response: enduring for ever;
Leader: the ordinances of the LORD are true,
Response: and righteous altogether.
Leader: More to be desired are they than gold,
Response: even much fine gold;
Leader: sweeter also than honey
Response: and drippings of the honeycomb.
Leader: Moreover by them is thy servant warned;
Response: in keeping them there is great reward

HYMN CH4 #132 Tune St Denio

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains, high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

Prayer of Approach and Confession

HYMN CH4 #122 Tune Luckington

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
“My God and King!”
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
“My God and King!”**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
“My God and King!”
The church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but, above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
“My God and King!”**

Readings

First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 7-14 (New American Standard Bible)

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 3-14 (NASB)

HYMN CH4 #153 Tune Faithfulness

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever will be.**

Refrain

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided –
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

**Summer and winter, and seed-time and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 all I have needed thy hand hath provided –
 great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
 thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
 strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
 blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.**

Refrain

Message

Prayer

Offering

HYMN CH4 #167 Tune Cwm Rhondda

**The last line of each verse is repeated.*

**Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
 pilgrim through this barren land
 I am weak, but thou art mighty;
 hold me with thy powerful hand:
 Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
 feed me till my want is o'er. x 2**

**Open now the crystal fountain
 whence the healing stream doth flow;
 let the fire and cloudy pillar
 lead me all my journey through:
 strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
 be thou still my strength and shield. x 2**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside!
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side!
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
*I will ever give to thee. x 2***

Benediction

Amen x 3

*****Please join us for a shared picnic under the trees*****

***For pastoral care needs until 16th January, please phone Jenny 868 4268
or Jan 862 7505.***

The office emails will be checked regularly.

DIARY

Monday	4	9.00am	Walking group
Tuesday	5	10.00am	Open Door at 109 Ormond Road
Saturday	9	8.00am	Car Boot Sale
Sunday	10	10.30am	St Andrew's Service <i>(Val Hall)</i>
Monday	11	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	12	10.00am	Open Door at 109 Ormond Rd
Sunday	17	10.30am	Combined St Andrew's Communion Service No Service at Matawhero
<u>Office re-opens</u>			
Monday	18	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	19	10.00am	Open Door at 109 Ormond Rd
Saturday	23	8.00am	Car Boot Sale
Sunday	24	10.30am	St Andrew's Service – Epiphany 3 No Service at Matawhero
Monday	25	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	26	10.00am	Open Door resumes in the lounge at St Andrew's
Sunday	31	10.30am	St Andrew's Service – Epiphany 4 No Service at Matawhero

