

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

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

*17 January 2021
Combined Communion Sunday*



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

Reader: *Jill Wallis*

Organist: *David Russell* **Director of Music:** *Catherine Macdonald*

We gather together as the people of God

Welcome & Notices

Kia Ora, Bula (mbula), Talofa, Kia Orana, and An-nyeong Haseyo

*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 – Breathe on me breath of God, CH4 #596, verses 1-2

**Breathe on me, Breath of God;
fill me with life anew,
that I may love the way you love,
and do what you would do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with you I will one will,
to do and to endure.**

Call to Worship

The Message Psalm 136:1-6

God, investigate my life;
get all the facts first-hand.

**I'm an open book to you;
even from a distance, you know what I'm thinking.**

You know when I leave and when I get back;
I'm never out of your sight.

**You know everything I'm going to say
before I start the first sentence.**

I look behind me and you're there,
then up ahead and you're there, too—
your reassuring presence, coming and going.

This is too much, too wonderful—
I can't take it all in!

We sing – O for a thousand tongues to sing © CH4 #352, verses 1-6

**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.**

**He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.**

**He speaks, and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.**

**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.**

Prayer of praise and confession

Words of Assurance

Story time - The King's ears

Question: In the story, what do you think made the barber sick?



We sing – Make me a captive O Lord, *CH4* #534, verses 1- 4

**Make me a captive, Lord,
And then I shall be free;
Force me to render up my sword,
And I shall conqueror be.
I sink in life's alarms
When by myself I stand;
Imprison me within thine arms,
And strong shall be my hand.**

**My heart is weak and poor
Until it master find;
It has no spring of action sure,
It varies with the wind.
It cannot freely move
Till thou has wrought its chain;
Enslave it with thy matchless love,
And deathless it shall reign.**

**My power is faint and low
Till I have learned to serve;
It wants the needed fire to glow,
It wants the breeze to nerve;
It cannot drive the world,
Until itself be driven;
Its flag can only be unfurled
When thou shalt breathe from heaven.**

**My will is not my own
Till thou has made it thine;
If it would reach a monarch's throne
It must its crown resign;**

**It only stands unbent,
Amid the clashing strife,
When on thy bosom it has leant
And found in thee its life.**

Readings:

First reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NRSV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God

Gospel reading: John 1:43-51

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

Sermon: A calling from God

(We will have a moment of silence for reflection)

Anthem – How is Jesus present © Cecily Sheehy, AA #64, verses 1-5

**How is Jesus present? How is Jesus present?
How is Jesus present today?
Tell me how he's present. Tell me how he's present.
Tell me how he's present today.**

**He's present in the children, present in the family,
present in the meal that you share.
He's present when you're laughing, present when you're giving,
present when you listen and care.**

**Every time you listen, every time you're sorry,
every time you care for a friend,
that is when he's present, though you do not see him,
I am with you always", he said.**

**Every time you listen, every time you're sorry,
every time you care for a friend,
that is when he's present, though you do not see him,
"I am with you always", he said.**

**Now I understand. Now I understand.
Let us celebrate today!
He's present in the WORD, present in the PEOPLE,
present in the breaking of BREAD.**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Offering prayer

We sing – Now to your table spread, Music © John Nicholas Ireland Trust, Words © Shirley Murray, AA #100, verses 1-3

**Now to your table spread we come, each one, in faith
that you alone provide the words of life and death:
In wine and bread, in promised food
we find your loving heart, O God.**

**Hands of the world stretch out, your mystery to touch,
in longing to believe a truth beyond our reach,
to sing in joy, to cry in grief,
to know your meaning for our life.**

**Here is our common wealth in sharing what is good
as though all human kind around one table stood,
this bread to break, this wine to taste –
one people in the name of Christ.**

[Communion]

Invitation to Communion

God meets us in the sacraments... and binds us to each other as we share one loaf and cup.

We receive this food gladly, believing, as we eat, that Jesus is our life-giving food and drink and that he will come again to call us to the wedding feast of the Lamb.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give our thanks to the Holy One.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a right, good, and joyful thing ...

and join their unending hymn, saying:

Holy, holy, holy One,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one

who comes in your holy name. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and holy is your child,... Christ is the bread of life:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death,

Lord Jesus, until you come in glory

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, ...

we praise your holy, eternal, nameless Name.

Through him, with him, in him,

In the unity of the Holy Spirit, All honour and glory are yours,

Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us

and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil

for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory

for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking the bread

Distribution

Prayer after communion

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

(We exchange a sign of peace with each other.)

We sing –I, the Lord of sea and sky, *CH4* # 251, verses 1- 3

**I, the Lord of the sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

Here I am, Lord.

Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord,

if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my Word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

Sending

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
17 January	Jill Wallis	<u>Pat Smith</u> Chrissie Parker Dianne Burrows	Paulina Melief Jill Wallis	S: Peter Cowley V: Linda Savage
24 January	Bob Bos	<u>Jenny Lawton</u> Val Hall Jean Hillyard	Dianne Burrows Karyn Williams	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin Matthews

DIARY

Sunday	17	10.30am	Combined St Andrew's Communion Service No Service at Matawhero
Monday	18	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	19	10.00am	Open Door at 109 Ormond Rd
Saturday	23	8.00am	Car Boot Sale
		7.00pm	Farewell to Msg Frank
Pot Luck Finger Food dinner at St Mary Star of the Sea Parish Centre.			
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