# GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

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

#### 31 January 2021

### **Epiphany** 4



Ministers: All the people in ChristMinister: Rev Jin Sook KimReader: Pat FlockhartOrganist: David RussellDirector 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 Please remain seated while the music is being played

Introit – Lord of all love, © Colin Gibson, AA #91, verses 1-2

Lord of all love, all life, and death, giver of time and place and breath, hear us, as now we bring our loss into the presence of your cross.

Sing us the songs we cannot sing, pardon the praise we cannot bring, speak all the words we cannot say, pray for us, Lord, we humbly pray.

### Call to Worship

By this I have known the presence of the Lord:

#### in the rising of the sun,

### in the smile of another's face,

in the touch of a hand

or the sound of a laugh,

### in the scent of a flower

### holding the promise of spring.

By this I have known the power of the Lord:

### in the healing of hurts,

### in the forgiveness of sin,

in the giving of gifts beyond all expectation,

### in the shower of love

### that comes from God's Son.

Let us give thanks to the Lord with all of our heart!

## Let us worship our God, whose presence

and power endures forever!

*We sing* – All my hope on God is founded, TUNE: Groeswen CH4#192, verses 1-3 &5

All my hope on God is founded, all my trust he will renew; safe through change and chance he guides me, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray God's trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness lasts for ever, deep his wisdom passing thought: splendour, light, and life attend him, beauty springing out of naught. Evermore, from his store new-born worlds rise and adore. Still from earth to God in heaven sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Hear Christ call one and all: those who follow shall not fall.

Prayer of praise and confession

Words of Assurance

*Storytime* – A Shepherd boy and the wolf



# Question:

What made people not to believe the boy's words in the end?

*We sing* – Gentle God, Music © Jillian Bray Words © Shirley Murray, Alleluia Aotearoa #44, verses 1-4

Gentle God, when we are driven past the limits of our love, when our hurt would have a weapon and the hawk destroy the dove, at the cost of seeming weak, help us turn the other cheek.

Gentle Spirit, when our reason clouds in anger, twists in fear, when we strike instead of stroking, when we bruise and sting and smear, cool our burning, take our pain, bring us to ourselves again.

In the mirror of earth's madness let us see our ravaged face, In the turmoil of all people let compassion find a place, touch our hearts to make amends, see our enemies as friends.

Let our strength be in forgiving as forgiven we must be, one to one in costly loving, finding trust and growing free, gentle God, be our release, gentle Spirit, teach us peace.

#### **Readings:**

#### First reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

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

#### **Gospel reading: Mark 1:21-28**

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

Sermon: Word VS words

**Prayers of Intercession** 

Offering

#### **Offering prayer**

*We sing* – You raise me up, Words: Brendan Graham, Music: Rolf Løvland

When I am down, and, oh, my soul, so weary When troubles come, and my heart burdened be Then, I am still and wait here in the silence Until you come and sit awhile with me You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up to walk on stormy seas I am strong when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be

There is no life – no life without its hunger Each restless heart beats so imperfectly But when you come and I am filled with wonder Sometimes, I think I glimpse eternity

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up to walk on stormy seas I am strong when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be

#### Sending

Go on, Children of God Share how God has brought you to knowledge and wisdom of new ways, new opportunities, new ways of being. **We go with joy. We leave in peace. 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                         |
|------------|------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 31 January | Pat<br>Flockhart | Seton Clare<br>Cathy Porter<br>Joan McKay      | Margaret<br>Palmer<br>Pat Flockhart | S: Peter<br>Cowley<br>V: Mike Willis |
| 7 February | Ruth<br>McLennan | Pat Flockhart<br>Jenny Lawton<br>Jean Hillyard | Jan Gordon<br>Val McGreevy          | S:Hans Kwak<br>V: Don<br>McConnochie |

# **DIARY**

# ANNIVERSARY DAY

| Monday                | 1 | 9.00am  | Walking Group                        |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Tuesday               | 2 | 10.00am | Open Door                            |  |  |  |
| -                     |   | 11.30am | Worship Committee meeting            |  |  |  |
| Wednesday             | 3 | 9.45am  | mainly music resumes                 |  |  |  |
| Friday                | 5 | 10.30am | ZOOM (chat) meeting                  |  |  |  |
|                       |   | 1.00pm  | Choir practise                       |  |  |  |
| SUNDAY                | 7 | 9.00am  | Matawhero Communion<br>Service       |  |  |  |
|                       |   | 10.30am | St Andrew's Worship<br>Service       |  |  |  |
| WAITANGI DAY OBSERVED |   |         |                                      |  |  |  |
| Monday                | 8 | 9.00am  | Walking Group                        |  |  |  |
|                       |   | 9.30am  | Matawhero Gardening Group            |  |  |  |
| Tuesday               | 9 | 10.00am | Open Door                            |  |  |  |
| 2                     |   | 11.30am | Worship Cttee Meeting                |  |  |  |
|                       |   | 1.30pm  | Rymans Service – Kiri Te             |  |  |  |
|                       |   | -       | Kanawa village                       |  |  |  |
|                       |   | 2.30pm  | Beetham HealthCare Service in Chapel |  |  |  |

Liz will be on leave from Tuesday  $2^{nd}$  Feb –  $5^{th}$  (inc)

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Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom



Join Zoom Meeting FRIDAY 5 FEBRUARY AT 10.30 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81886751783

Meeting ID: 818 8675 1783 Passcode: 432867



Week 1 Tuesday 23 February 4.30 – 5.30pm (theme: God)

Week 2 Tuesday 2 March 4.30 - 5.30pm (theme: Image of God)

4.30 – 5.30pm (theme: Sin) Week 3 Tuesday 9 March

- Week 4 Tuesday 16 March 4.30 - 5.30pm (theme: Covenant)
- Week 5 Tuesday 23 March 4.30 5.30pm (theme: Crucifixion & Resurrection)