

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

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

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Pentecost 15

A Service of Worship



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

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

Greetings with news and notices

Introit – Tama ngakau marie, ©Alleluia Aotearoa, #128, vv1-2

Tama ngakau marie	<i>Son of a peaceful heart,</i>
Tama a t'Atua	<i>Son of God,</i>
tenei tonu matou	<i>here we are,</i>
arohaina mai.	<i>love us.</i>

Murua ra nga hara:	<i>Take away our sins,</i>
wetekina mai	<i>undo</i>
enei here kino,	<i>these evil ties</i>
whakararu nei.	<i>which bind us.</i>

Call to Worship

"My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick.
I am hurt for my poor people, I mourn, I am dismayed."

Help us, O God of our salvation. Help us!

"Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?
Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?"

Help us, O God of our salvation. Help us!

We sing - O for a thousand tongues, to sing, CH4 352 (CH3 371), vv 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.**

Prayers

We sing – Hundreds and thousands, © John Larssen, *WB 24 vv1-4*

**There are hundreds of sparrows, thousands, millions,
They're two a penny, far too many there must be;
There are hundreds and thousands, millions of sparrows,
But God knows ev'ry one and God knows me.**

**There are hundreds of flowers, thousands, millions,
And flowers fair the meadows wear for all to see;
There are hundreds and thousands, millions of flowers,
But God knows ev'ry one and God knows me.**

**There are hundreds of planets, thousands, millions,
Way out in space each has a place by God's decree;
There are hundreds and thousands, millions of planets,
But God knows ev'ry one and God knows me.**

**There are hundreds of children, thousands, millions,
And yet their names are written on God's memory.
There are hundreds and thousands, millions of children,
But God knows ev'ry one and God knows me.**

Story Time –

We sing – Love is your way, Music © Per Harling, Words © Shirley
Erena Murray, *Hope is Our Song 95*, vv1-4

**Love is your way,
love is your nature,
blessing each creature,
lighting each day;
grace is your sign,
gift of forgiveness,
chalice that changes
water to wine**

Refrain

*God, in your grace,
God in your mercy,
turn us to you*

*to transform the world,
turn us to you
to transform the world!*

**Pathways we choose,
Undeserved freedom,
earth as our kingdom,
still we abuse;
much we have done,
gross human error,
misuse of power
darkens the sun
*Refrain***

**Terror and tears,
wounds without healing,
hearts without feeling
mirror our fears:
life without trust,
greed and high prices,
conflict and crisis
grind us to dust
*Refrain***

**Let us stand still,
look at each other,
sister and brother
thwarting your will:
teach us good care,
grace to seek pardon,
reclaim your garden,
riches to share
*Refrain***

Readings

First reading: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Gospel reading: Luke 16:1-13

Sermon – The Dishonest Manager

Anthem – Touch the earth lightly, Music © Colin Gibson, Words © Shirley Murray, AA 143, vv1-4

**Touch the earth lightly,
use the earth gently,
nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder,
ours to surrender,
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.**

**We who endanger,
who create hunger,
agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster
clouds of disaster,
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!**

**Let there be greening,
birth from the burning,
water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden,
hope in God's children,
regeneration that peace will complete.**

**God of all living,
God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,**

**teach us, deflect us,
Christ re-connect us,
using us gently and making us one.**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

We sing – Deep in the human heart, Words & Music © William
Livingstone Wallace, *Hope is Our Song*, 19, vv1-3

**Deep in the human heart
The fires of justice burn;
With visions of a world renewed
Through radical concern.
As Christians we are called
To set the captives free,
To overthrow the evil powers
And end hypocrisy.**

**This is our task today,
To build a world of peace;
A world of justice, freedom, truth,
Where kindness will increase;
A world from hunger freed,
A world where people share,
Where every person is of worth
And no-one lives in fear.**

**Taking the step of faith,
We leave the past behind
And move into the future's world
With open heart and mind.**

**By grace we work with Christ,
As one community,
To bring new hope and fuller life
To all humanity.**

Sending

Be faithful with little.
Be faithful with much.
Be faithful with what belongs to another.
Be faithful with what is your own.
Serve only one master.

There is one God.

We will serve this God alone.

And may the grace, mercy, and peace of the one God
be with you. Amen.

The Grace

Kia tau ki a tātou katoa

Te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki, a Ihu Karaiti Me te aroha o te Atua

Me te whiwhingatahitanga, Ki te wairua tapu

Ake, ake, ake

Amine

**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:* AMENx3 CH4#819**