

GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH

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

4 August 2024

Pentecost 11

Kindness



We welcome all visitors to our service this morning.

Please sign the Visitors' Book and make yourself known to the Hosts who stand at the back of the church. A toilet is located in the foyer.

*In our worship we use inclusive language as much as possible. Sometimes, especially in the hymns, this is not possible. Feel free to insert the language with which you are most comfortable. **BOLDED WORDS** are for congregational response.*

*Where there is an asterisk * please stand.*

Welcome, news and Notices

Introit and entry of Bible Spirit of the Living God CH4 619-20 *SGP 98*

1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me:
break me, melt me, mould me, fill me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
2. Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

Words and Music Daniel Iverson VI; Michael Baughen 3

Call to Worship Psalm 100 RSV

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

**Come into His presence with
singing!**

Know that the Lord is God! It is He that made us, and we are His:

We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Give thanks to Him, bless His name!

For the Lord is good;

**His steadfast love endures for ever,
and His faithfulness to all generations**

Opening Prayer

We Sing Great is Thy 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 forever 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 springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Refrain

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

Children's Chat

We Sing A new Commandment I give unto you X2 *WOV 571*
A new commandment I give unto you
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall people know that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.
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Tune New Commandment

Scripture Reading Psalm 103:1 – 13, 17 and Galatians 5:22 – 25

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits;

Who pardons all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases;

Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with *loving kindness* and compassion;

Who satisfies your years with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle.

The Lord performs righteous deeds and judgments for all who are oppressed.

He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the sons of Israel.

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in *loving kindness*

He will not always chide with us, Nor will He keep His anger forever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sin, Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His *loving kindness* toward those who fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Just as a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.....

But the *loving kindness* of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting, on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children's children.

GALATIANS 5:22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, Kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Reflection

Offering & Dedication Praise God from whom all blessings CH4 807

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Communion Hymn For the bread and wine and blessing AA39

1. **For the bread and wine and blessing,
for the friends around this table,
for the peace and for the healing,
we celebrate you, Jesus Christ.**
2. **For the faithful of all ages,
for the dead and for the living,
for the hope that we remember,
we celebrate you, Jesus Christ.**
3. **When your love breaks through our darkness,
when the broken come to wholeness –
for each sign of resurrection,
we celebrate you, Jesus Christ.**
4. **Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia,
we celebrate you, Jesus Christ.**

Shirley Murray

Communion Liturgy B

We Sing Go gently, go lightly HOS 35 (ii)

**Go gently, go lightly,
go safe in the Spirit,
live simply, don't carry
much more than you need:
go trusting God's goodness,
go spreading God's kindness,
stay centered on Jesus
and where he will lead.**

**Go singing, go bringing
the gifts of the Spirit,
go hopefully searching
for things that are true:
in living, in loving,
whatever befalls you,
God keep you, God bless you
in all that you do.**

Blessing

Benediction All praise and thanks to God CH4 813

All praise and thanks to God
our Maker now be given,
to Christ, and Spirit too,
our help in highest heaven, -
the one, eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Ministers: *All the people in Christ* **Leader:** *Val Hall*
Reader: Deborah Loew-Black **Organist** *Paul Pollock*

Please join us for a time of fellowship and friendship over a cup of tea or coffee in the Lounge next door.

Note: The offering is now received at the door as we enter. If you miss noticing this, you may place a retiring offering in the offering boxes at the door as you leave.

Mindful Prayer topics: July 28th & August 4th 2024 World Peace. GPP and difficult decisions – give us strength, patience and understanding to explore options which may not fit individual preferences. Continuing support for those dealing with these decisions. Those dealing with difficult decisions in their daily lives. Ourselves.

.Mindful Prayer contact Margaret Graham ph. 021 026 03990 or email m.n.e.gra@xtra.co.nz

Christian Blind Mission accepts used stamps. Send directly to them or Val Hall. (Leprosy Mission no longer accepts stamps)

Please remember donations for the Love basket when shopping. All offerings gratefully received.

Val Hall and Pat Flockhart are offering Home Communion, and they need an Elder to be present. Any Elders willing to assist, please phone or email Val Hall.

For all Pastoral care needs please contact one of the committee members:
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With blessings from the Pastoral Committee

It's the little things

You never really know the true impact you have on those around you.

You never know how much someone needed that smile you gave them.

You never know how much your kindness turned someone's entire life around.

You never know how much someone needed that long hug or deep talk.

So don't wait to be kind. Don't wait for someone else to be kind first.

Don't wait for better circumstances or for someone to change.

Just be kind, because you never know how much someone needs it.

DIARY

SUNDAY 4 PENTECOST 11 Peace Sunday – Hiroshima Day 6 Aug
10.00am St. Andrew’s Communion
Matawhero – no Service

Monday 5 9.00am Walking Group
 Tuesday 6 10.00am Open Door All welcome
 Wednesday 7 9.45am mainly music
 Friday 9 1.00pm Choir rehearsal
 Saturday 10 8-11.30am Car Boot Sale

SUNDAY 11 PENTECOST 12
10.00am St. Andrew’s Ruth McLennan
Matawhero – no Service

Coming up:

Saturday 5 September – Parish Garage Sale. Start sorting saleable goods.

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
4 th August Pentecost 11 Communion at St A’s Val Hall	<u>Matawhero</u> No service <u>St Andrew’s</u> Deborah Loew- Black	<u>Don McC</u> Alvin Hall, Dianne Burrows	Trish Kwak Lynn Griffiths	S&V: Hans C:Hans
11 th August Pentecost 12 Ruth McLennan	<u>Matawhero</u> No service <u>St Andrew’s</u> tbd	<u>Seton Clare</u> Linda Savage Marilyn Matthews	Paulina Melief	S&V: Don C:Don

**Communion Elders: Val Hall Celebrant; Seton Clare, Linda Savage,
 Cathy Porter, Jan Gordon**

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