

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

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

*3 August 2025*

*Pentecost 8*

*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 hall.*

*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 Information**

**Silence**

**Introit:** Spirit of the Living God

CH4 619, 620

- 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.**
- 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** He came singing love WB70

**Children's Chat ? and song** He's got the whole world WB22

**Scripture Reading** - Philippians 4:4 – 9 NIV  
Colossians 3:15 - 17 NIV

### **Reflection**

#### **Prayer**

#### **Offering & Dedication**

**Prince of Peace, Take these gifts freely given,**  
**Take our lives, freely offered,**  
**and inspire us to be Your living presence of peace to others.**  
**Amen**

**Communion Hymn** 'Take our Bread' WB74

#### **Communion Liturgy A**

**We Sing** Make me a channel of Your Peace CH4 528

**Make me a channel of your peace.**  
**Where there is hatred let me bring your love;**  
**where there is injury, your healing power;**  
**and where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

**Make me a channel of your peace.**  
**Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;**  
**where there is darkness, only light;**  
**and where there's sadness, ever joy**

**Oh, Spirit, grant that I may never seek**  
**so much to be consoled as to console;**

**to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.**

**Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive;  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life**

**Blessing & Benediction (Sung) CH4 796**

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make His face to shine upon you  
and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you  
and give you peace.

AMEN (X3)

**Ministers:** *All the people in Christ* **Leader:** *Val Hall*

**Reader:** *Heather Webb*

*Please join us for a time of fellowship and friendship over a cup of tea  
or coffee in the Hall 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.

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

For all Pastoral care needs please contact one of the committee members:

Jenny Lawton 868 4268; Ruth McLennan 021 02704867; Jan Gordon

0211836008; Lynnor Cooke 06 214 3945; Barbara Larsen 863-9009

Christian Blind Mission accepts used stamps. Send directly to them or Val Hall.

*Matawhero Gardening happens from time to time. If you would like to help, please  
contact Paulina Melief 867 0605*

**Mindful Prayer topics: July 27<sup>th</sup> & August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025** Global conflicts.

Climate disasters and loss. Mental Health. GPP & Parish Council.

Friends & neighbours. "Simply to be, to be in stillness, simply to trust  
that God is here" HS 118

Mindful Prayer contact Margaret Graham ph. 021 026 03990 or email [m.n.e.gra@xtra.co.nz](mailto:m.n.e.gra@xtra.co.nz)

**Commission contact:** Commission Convenor *Rob McIntosh*  
 email [rob.mcintosh02@gmail.com](mailto:rob.mcintosh02@gmail.com), or Phone 0274411392 to arrange a time to talk further

**DIARY for this week in August**

**SUNDAY 3 PENTECOST 8** Peace Sunday (Hiroshima Day August 6)  
 10.00am **Matawhero** Communion Service  
 celebrant **Val Hall**

**St. Andrew's – No service**

Tuesday 5 10.00am Open Door  
 Wednesday 6 9.45am mainly music  
 Friday 8 1.00pm Choir practice  
 Saturday 9 8am-11.30 Car Boot Sale

**SUNDAY 10 PENTECOST 9** Celebration Service  
 10.00am **St. Andrew's**  
**Matawhero – no service**

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
<b>Sunday 3 August Communion service Matawhero</b>	M: Heather Webb St A's: No service	<b><u>Matawhero Team</u></b>	<b><u>Matawhero Team</u></b>	S&V: N/A C: N/A
<b>Sunday 10 August St A lounge with Open Door</b>	M: no service St A: Open Door	<b><u>Don McC</u></b> Sarah McC	Open Door	S&V: Alan C: Hans

Communion Celebrant: Val Hall; Elders Jan Ewart, Barbara Larsen

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