

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

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

4th April 2021

Easter Day



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

Reader: *Lynnor Cooke*

Organist: *Paul Pollock* **Director of Music:** *Catherine Macdonald*

Kia Ora, Talofa, Bulla, Shalom and Annyeonghaseyo

We gather together as the people of God

Welcome & Notices

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 – The day of resurrection! *CH4* #413, verses 1 and 3

**The day of resurrection
earth, tell it out abroad,
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
from sin's dominion free,
our Christ hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.**

**Now let the heavens be joyful
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen,
our Joy that has no end.**

Call to worship

Out of the darkness of grief and despair
comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

We run to the tomb to see for ourselves.

And it is true. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed.

We hear a voice call our name,

and we know our risen Lord

is with us now and always.

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Thanks be to God.

We sing – Jesus Christ is risen today, *Alleluia!* CH4 #410, verses 1-4

**Jesus Christ is risen today,
our triumphant holy day,
who did once, upon the Cross,
suffer to redeem our loss.**

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**Hymns of praise, then, let us sing,
unto Christ, our heavenly King,
who endured the cross and grave,
sinners to redeem and save.**

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**But the anguish he endured
our salvation has procured;
now in heaven Christ is King,
where the angels ever sing**

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

**Sing we to our God above
praise eternal as his love;
praise him, all you heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Alleluia!

Alleluia

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Opening prayer

We pray together

**O God of Easter joy,
we come this morning
with glad shouts of acclamation.
Christ is risen.
Christ is risen, indeed.
May this time of worship
help us to truly and fully experience this Risen Christ.
May we be transformed.
transformed into your butterfly people,
winging through the earth
with messages of beauty, hope and life.
Amen.**

Words of Assurance



The Flowering of the Cross

(We will place the flowers on the cross to celebrate the resurrected Lord Jesus Christ while the anthem is being sung)

Lapointe family flowering cross in Lockdown

Anthem – I know that my redeemer lives, *With One Voice* #299,
verses 1-4

I know that my Redeemer lives-
what joy the blest assurance gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my everlasting Head.

He lives, to bless me with his love;
he lives, to plead for me above;
he lives, my hungry soul to feed;
he lives, to help in time of need.

He lives, and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives, my mansion to prepare;
he lives, to lead me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name;
he lives, my Saviour, still the same;
what joy the blest assurance gives,
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Readings

First reading: Isaiah 25:6-9 (From *The Message*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Gospel reading: Mark 16:1-8

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon: Easter – God’s yes to life!

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

We pray together

Good Shepherd, you spread a table before us. We offer you our gifts, signs of your gracious love and tokens of our grateful hearts. Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to all the world your triumphant love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We sing – When at this table, Music © Colin Gibson Words
© Shirley Erena Murray, *Hope is Our Song*, #148, verses 1-5

**When at this table I receive a blessing,
the broken bread, the wine of life for me,
then let me share the peace with you, my neighbour,
and let the Spirit set our spirits free.**

**If at this table I have need of healing,
unbidden grief, relationship gone wrong,
then let me know the hands of God enfolding,
and let lament become believing song.**

**If at this table I forget the hungry,
the dispossessed and warfare’s spreading stain,
then let this bread become the bread of judgement,
this wine the sharp awareness of that pain.**

**If at this table I make dedication
to give my life in serving what is good,
then let my centre be where God invites me,
and show the words of Jesus understood.**

**What faith I have, I bring to join this table,
what hope I hold, in Christ is taught and true;
with brothers, sisters, I will share the blessing,
the feast where God is making all things**

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table of peace.
Come to the table of love.
Come to the table of joy.
Come to the table of power.
Come to the table of Christ.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

You are worthy of all our praise, O God, for you are the source of all
good power By your power,
Heaven and earth were formed.
By your power,
You created us and gave us life.
By your power,
We are guided and protected.
By your power,
Jesus Christ triumphed over the grave.
By your power,
The Holy Spirit comes to sustain and care for us.

And so, in praise and gratitude, we join the generations of the faithful in
singing your praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth
are full of your glory,**

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The tradition comes down to us from the Lord is that on the night when he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, he broke it, and giving it to his disciples, said:

“Take, eat. This is my body which is broken for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way he took wine and having given thanks for it, he poured it out,

And gave the cup to his disciples, saying,

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

When Jesus ascended into heaven, he promised his followers a baptism with the Holy Spirit,

A power from on high. Clothe us in this Spirit, that we might share a common ministry of service to the world.

By your power,

Fill our voices with stories of your grace.

By your power,

Strengthen our hands for the work of your mercy.

By your power,

Transform us into your representatives of your love.

Acknowledging our weakness and failure in prayer, we pray as our Lord teaches us to pray, singing...

Our Father in heaven,...

Glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The body of Christ broken for the life of the world.

The cup of the new covenant given for the life of the world.

Distribution

Please remain in your seats and the elders will come to serve you.

*Eat the bread when you receive it but please hold the cup so that we
may drink together as a symbol of our unity in Christ*

Prayer after communion

Passing the Peace of Christ

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Halleluiah!

(We exchange a sign of peace each other)

We sing – Christ is alive, Words and Music © 1993,
Hope Publishing Company, CH4 #422 verses 1-3

**Christ is alive, and the universe must celebrate
and the stars and the suns shout on this Easter Day!
Christ is alive, and his family must celebrate
in a great alleluia, a great alleluia
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.**

**Here is our hope: in the mystery of suffering
is the heartbeat of Love, Love that will not let go,
here is our hope, that in God we are not separate,
and we sing alleluia, we sing alleluia
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.**

**Christ Spirit, dance through the dullness of humanity
to the music of God, God who has set us free!
You are the pulse of the new creation's energy;
with a great alleluia, a great alleluia
we praise the power that made the stone roll away.**

Sending

Benediction

Sing: AMEN x 3 CH4 #819

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
EASTER SUNDAY <i>Communion</i>	Lynnor Cooke	<u>Jenny Lawton</u> Jean Hillyard Jean Robinson	Marilyn Matthews Trish Kwak	S: Colin Matthews V: Don McConnochie
April 11th	Jean Robinson	<u>Seton Clare</u> Pat Flockhart Dianne Burrows	Val McGreevy Wendy Morris	S: Hans Kwak V: Linda Savage

DIARY

EASTER MONDAY

Monday	5	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	6	10.00am	Open Door
Wednesday	7	9.45am	mainly music
		12.30pm	Korero me kai
Friday	9	10.30am	ZOOM (chat) meeting
		1.00pm	Choir practise
Saturday	10	8.00am	CAR BOOT SALE
SUNDAY	11	10.30am	St Andrew's Worship
			No Service at Matawhero

Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to **Join Zoom Meeting**

FRIDAY APRIL 9 10.30 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89654665233>

Meeting ID: 896 5466 5233

Passcode: 974511



GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH PRESENTS

AN ANZAC DAY
COMMEMORATION



A DISPLAY DEPICTING
PEACE & HARMONY

Anzac Weekend

Sun 25 April 1pm – 4pm
Mon 26 April 1pm – 4pm
Venue: St Andrews Church, 176 Cobden Street



Entry Fee:	Adults	\$5.00
	Children:	FREE