

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

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

*25 July 2021*

*Pentecost 9*

*Mid-Winter Christmas Celebration Service*



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

## ***Greetings with news and notices***

### ***Call to Worship***

Leader: In the beginning was the Word

**All: and the Word was with God  
and the Word was God**

Leader: He was with God in the Beginning

**All: Through Him all things were made**

Leader: In him was life

**All: and that life was the light for all people**

Leader: In the beginning was Wisdom

**All: And Wisdom was with God  
and Wisdom was God.**

Leader: She was in the beginning with God.

All things came into being through her.

**All: In her was life and the life was the light  
for all people**

Leader: The light shines in the darkness

and the darkness has not overcome it

**All: Jesus Christ is the light of the world**

Leader: Wisdom is a reflection of eternal light, a spotless  
mirror of the working of God, and an image of God's  
goodness. (*Wisdom 7: 26*)

**All: Praise God who sends us the light of heaven**

**We sing** - Once in royal David's city, vv 1-5 (#38 in a carol book)

**We are sorry**

The light shines in the night of rest,  
Promising the warmth of renewed life.

**Source of light, remind us again  
that you fill our darkest times with the light of hope.**

The light shines in the dark of despair,  
Making bright the path to peace and renewed joy.

**Source of light, in the embrace of the peaceful night,  
your beckoning life guides us towards new times.**

The light shines in the night of puzzlement and uncertainty.

**Source of light, remind us again  
that you blaze through our self-chosen darkness,  
even here, even now.**

When we ignore your glowing ember,  
**sear our soul with remembrance.**

When we confuse the shadows of wilfulness and whimsy with your will  
and your way,

**illuminate our mind with understanding.**

When we would hide from the warmth of your invitation to life,  
**envelop us, embrace us, enlighten us by your Spirit.**

*(time for silent prayer)*

As the deep dark of winter mantles the land with rest,  
As the penetrating light of your presence stirs fresh shoots,  
**remind us again**  
**that in you the people have seen a great light,**  
**in you the very light of life lifts and restores us. Amen.**

***God forgives us***

Lord's Prayer

**Mother, Father God, hallowed be your Name**

**Your kingdom come,**

**Your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and forever. Amen**

***Celebration Time***

**Celebrations today**



**May God bless you we pray  
Live for Jesus dear people  
May he guide you each day**

***\*Collection for Guardian Angel in yellow container at the back of room\****

***We sing on request***

**Story** – Sarah McConnochie

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 2:8-20

**Poem** – *A New Zealand Christmas by Eileen Duggan* - Lynnor Cooke

**Reflection**

**Anthem** (choir) – Bring in your new world, Music © Colin Gibson,  
Words © Shirley Erena Murray, *Hope is Our Song*, #13, vv 1-4

Bring in your new world, child of the sun,  
God's shining Presence, bright in your essence,  
Christmas begun;  
bring to our sad world light and delight,  
singing and laughter, hope as our shelter,  
stars to our night.

Bring in your new world, child of the east,  
dangerous leader, born to be pleader,  
prophet and priest;  
come with your judgement, voice for the poor,  
born to collision, God's righteous vision  
here at our door.

Bring in your new world, child of all time,  
peace without border, peace the new order,  
lion with lamb;  
come in the healing, sharing of bread,  
justice and freedom, signs of the kingdom,  
everyone fed.

Bring in your new world, child of our earth,  
holding creation in your compassion,  
waiting your birth;  
come little human, cry your first breath,  
cry out God's kindness, light out of blindness,  
life out of death.

***Making Paper hats and decoration***

***Quiz for Christmas carols***

***We sing on request***

***Offering***

***We sing on request***

***Blessing (Altogether)***

**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.**

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
<b>July 25<sup>th</sup> Pot luck in hall</b>	Ruth McLennan	<b><u>Chrissie Parker</u></b> Pat Flockhart	Ethel Williamson Wendy Morris	_____
<b>August 1st</b>	Dianne Burrows	<b><u>Alvin Hall</u></b> Cathy Porter Jean Robinson	Val McGreevy Jan Gordon	Hans Kwak

**CARD MAKING GROUP MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am – 12 noon.**  
 Mon Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, Oct 25<sup>th</sup> (tbc), Nov 29<sup>th</sup>

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**'HAVE A GO'** at Matawhero Church, in the lounge



every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 3 pm.

*First Meeting will start Wednesday 28 July.*

**Activities:** knitting, card making with kai, bring your friends with their stories to share.....

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOAN POLLOCK**

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021

St Andrew's Church at 2.00pm followed by  
afternoon tea in the community hall



# BOOK SALE & sales table

SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 9.00 am & SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> 11.30  
am

Where: ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY HALL



We are happy to take books for the sale

**if** they are in very good condition. **CASH ONLY**

**Goods for our sales table** you are invited to contribute suitable items such as: fudge, sweets, biscuits and cakes, produce – everything gratefully received!

Gisborne Choral Society presents...



## *Winter Warmers*

to Cheer & Delight

*A Smorgasbord of Choral Treats*

*Sacred & Secular, Serious & Comic*

*A Capella & Variously Accompanied*

*With Local Soloists, Femmes Four, Men's Choir*

**SUNDAY 1 AUGUST 2021**

**at ST ANDREWS CHURCH**

**2.00 PM**

**\$20 (\$10 student) includes Afternoon Tea**

**PARISH ANNUAL MONSTER GARAGE SALE**  
**SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**\*\*NO OLD TV's/videos/tapes\*\***

**Please start sorting your bits 'n pieces for the usual stalls.....**

**Best sellers:** plants, loved linen, white elephant and furniture.

**Other stalls:** baking, sweets, preserves, jams, produce, records, dvds, cds, plants, arts and crafts, jewellery etc.



***We are NOT taking clothing or shoes again this year,  
but welcome bags, belts, buckles etc.***

**If you have any queries phone Jenny: 868 4268 or Office: 868 5513**

## DIARY

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Mid-Winter Christmas Pot Luck Service St Andrew's No Service Matawhero</b>
<b><u>Term 3</u></b>			
Monday	26	9.00 am	Walking Group
	26	9.30 – 12.00	Hand making card group (Lynnor's)
Tuesday	27	10.00am	Open Door
		5.30-6.30pm	Kimchi: Workshop at Environment Centre (Jin Sook)
Wednesday	28	9.45am	mainly music resumes
		10.30am	Beetham Service
		12.00pm	Mission/Vision meeting upstairs lounge in Hall – <b>all welcome</b>
		3.00pm	'Have a Go' Group – Matawhero lounge
Friday	30	1.00pm	Choir practise
Saturday	31	2.00pm	Memorial Service for Joan Pollock followed by tea in hall
<b><u>August</u></b>			
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Communion Matawhero</b>
		<b>10.30am</b>	<b>St Andrew's Worship – Peace Sunday</b>
		<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Choral Society Performance Winter Warmers \$20</b>
Tuesday	3	10.00am	Open Door
		11.30am	Worship Committee meeting
Wednesday	4	12.00-3.00pm	Cornerstone Meeting in lounge