

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

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

*10 October 2021*

*Pentecost 20*

*Communion Sunday Service*



Paul – shipwrecked on Malta

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

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

## **Welcome & Notices**

**Introit** – I love you Lord, Words & Music © 1978 House of Mercy Music, CH4 #770, v1

### ***Call to worship***

Welcome to worship today. Bring your joys and sorrows to the Lord.

**We come from busy lives, filled with a host of banes and blessings.**

Give your fears to the Lord, for God will heal your souls.

**Praise to God who listens to our cries and heals us.**

Open your ears and your hearts to the Lord.

**We open our lives to do God's will. AMEN.**

***We sing*** – Guide me, O though great Jehovah, ©CH4 #167, vv 1-3

**Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
*feed me till my want is o'er. x 2***

**Open now the crystal fountain  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through:  
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
*be thou still my strength and shield. x2***

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside!**

Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side!  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
*I will ever give to thee. x 2*

### *Prayers*

*Story time* – Paul and the shipwreck

Question – What made Paul so calm when he was shipwrecked?

*We sing* – Make me a captive, Lord, © CH4 534, vv 1-4

Make me a captive, Lord,  
And then I shall be free;  
Force me to render up my sword,  
And I shall conqueror be.  
I sink in life's alarms  
When by myself I stand;  
Imprison me within thine arms,  
And strong shall be my hand.

My heart is weak and poor  
Until it master find;  
It has no spring of action sure,  
It varies with the wind.  
It cannot freely move  
Till thou hast wrought its chain;  
Enslave it with thy matchless love,  
And deathless it shall reign.

My power is faint and low  
Till I have learned to serve;  
It wants the needed fire to glow,  
It wants the breeze to nerve;  
It cannot drive the world,

**Until itself be driven;  
Its flag can only be unfurled  
When thou shalt breathe from heaven.**

**My will is not my own  
Till thou has made it thine;  
If it would reach a monarch's throne  
It must its crown resign;  
It only stands unbent,  
Amid the clashing strife,  
When on thy bosom it has leant  
And found in thee its life.**

*Reading*

**Acts 27:39-44**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**Thanks be to God**

*Reflection on GA21*

*Intercession*

*Offering*

**Each of us is a fragile miracle, evidence of God's creative hands, and  
amazing grace.**

**We are each unique, unrepeatable gifts to the world. We are proof of God's  
love.**

**And so we who are the gifts of creation now give gifts to our Creator. Gifts  
brought in love. Amen**

***We sing-*** I come with joy, a child of God, Words © 1971, 1995, Stainer & Bell Ltd, CH4 #656, vv 1-5

**I come with joy, a child of God,  
forgiven, loved and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall,  
in love laid down for me,  
*in love laid down for me***

**I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread,  
*in Christ's communion bread.***

**As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends,  
*and strangers now are friends.***

**The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
unseen, but ever near,  
is in such friendship better known,  
alive among us here,  
*alive among us here.***

**Together met, together bound  
by all that God has done,  
we'll go with joy, to give the world  
the love that makes us one,  
*the love that makes us one.***

[Communion]

***Invitation to the Lord's Table***

Jesus said, *let the little children*

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The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

***The Great Thanksgiving***

Let us pray...

nurturing and loving God before whom generations rise and pass

***for salvation comes through new birth.***

Out of nothing, you crafted the heavens and the earth:

...nurturing and loving God before whom generations rise and pass

***for salvation comes through new birth.***

Though Sarah was old and barren,

...in the birth-cries of the new creation:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory,***

***hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes***

***in the name of the Lord,***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

... nurturing and loving God before whom generations rise and pass

***for salvation comes through new birth.***

Your promises,

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Great is the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

Amen.

***The Words of Institution***

***Distribution***

***Passing of the peace***

The peace of Christ be with you all.

***And also with you.***

***We sing*** – May the God of hope go with us every day, Words and Music ©

CRC publications, CH4#256, vv1-2

**May the God of hope go with us every day,  
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.**

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

*Praying, let us work for peace;  
Singing, share our joy with all;  
Working for a world that's new,  
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

**God will be our Shepherd as we go our way  
And will not forsake us when we go astray.  
Even though the load of life is hard to bear,  
We must not forget that God is always there.**

***Sending***  
**Benediction**

***The Grace prayer***  
**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: AMEN x 3 CH4 #819***

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
17 October	Alvin Hall	<b><u>Pat Flockhart</u></b> Joan McKay Marilyn Matthews	Margaret Palmer Paulina Melief	S: Liz Lyell V: Linda Savage

**Bible Study Book of Revelation Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 4.30-6.00pm lounge**

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**Join Zoom Meeting FRIDAY 15th OCTOBER 10.30AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86105883314>

**Meeting ID: 861 0588 3314 Passcode: 278444**

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**Hymnalong – please come and assist Val and Lynnor**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 1.30p.m at Rymans.**

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> October 3.00p.m. at Te Wiremu**

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**Pray for GPP and the church in the world**

A theme for this week – “new wine in a new wineskin.”

Please pray for GPP and the church as a whole with the theme during the week. Your prayer sustains us – the church. Please contact Jin Sook to share your ideas about the themes of the prayer.

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**Hamish Paul Allan** - Barbara & Paul Larsen’s grandson (3 years old) will be baptised at Matawhero church on 30th October (Saturday) at 10.30 am. Please come along, anyone who wishes to be part of the congregation to witness and celebrate Hamish’s baptism with his family. ***Jin Sook***