GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

St Andrews & Matawhero Church - Church Lane

26th September 2021

Pentecost 18

Celebration service

Call to Worship (Chrissy)

If it had not been God who was on our side, the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole. If it had not been God who was on our side, the sorrows of our times would have swept us away. Are any among us suffering?

Come and pray.

Are any among us cheerful? Come sing songs of praise.

Are any among us sick?

Come and ask for healing.

Our help is in our God,

the One who made heaven and earth.

Call upon God, creator and rescuer. God is on our side.

We sing – Brother, sister let me serve you, © Scripture in Song, Alleluia Aotearoa, #8, Brother, sister, let me serve you, vv 1-6
Brother, sister, let me serve you,

let me be as Christ to you, pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear, I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you, I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love, and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you, pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We sing - Breathe on me, Breath of God, CH4 #596, vv 1-4

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love the way you love, and do what you would do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with you I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, direct my heart's desire, till every earthly part of me glows with your holy fire. Breathe on me, Breath of God; so shall I never die, but live with you the perfect life of your eternity.

Gospel reading - 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (Jennifer McDonald)

We sing – Join hands in the Spirit, © Radha Wardrop, *Alleluia Aotearoa*, #82, vv1-3

Join hands in the Spirit
the one holy name,
you are love, and we your children,
one and the same.
All glory to the Spirit,
all praise to your name,
for your love unites us
in peace once again.

Join minds in the Spirit, the one source of life, all are born in your image, sparks of your light. Oh joy that you call us to love and forgive, to trust beyond fear, that in death we may live.

 Join hearts in the Spirit, the one holy peace, your love is our union, your touch our release.
 Oh great heart! embracing every creed, every race, in gratitude we cry at the gift of your grace. Ministers: All the people in Christ Minister: Rev Jin Sook Kim

Reader: Jennifer McDonald

Director of Music: Catherine Macdonald

AGM AFTER THE SERVICE ON SUNDAY 26th Please bring your copy of the Annual Reports with you.

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
26 September	Jennifer McDonald	Pat Flockhart Cathy Porter	Wendy Morris	Hall
3 October Animal Blessing at Matawhero	Jill Wallis		•	Matawhero

MONDAY WALKING GROUP – will be gardening outside the front of the Hall after the walk

SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 10.30am Combined Animal Blessing Service at Matawhero Church

FRIDAY 8TH 5-9pm MISSION WORKSHOP – lounge Rev Sally Carter

SATURDAY 9TH 9am – 3pm WORKSHOP AND SHARED LUNCH

Parish Council would like all those interested to join them at this workshop

BIBLE STUDY – BOOK OF REVELATION Tuesday October 12th 4.30 – 6.00 pm