# GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

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

5<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Pentecost 15



Ministers: All the people in Christ Minister: Rev Jin Sook Kim Reader: Pat Flockhart Director of Music: Catherine Macdonald

#### We gather together as the people of God

#### Welcome & Notices

We take a few moments of silence to prepare ourselves to worship God

*Introit* – Be still and know that I am God, Arrangement: © CH Trust, *CH4* #755, vv 1-3

Be still and know that I am God. x 3 I am the Lord who saves and heals. x 3 In you, Lord God, I put my trust. x 3

### Call to worship

Merciful Lord Praise Your Holy Name.

You created the universe out of love **Praise Your Holy Name.** 

We live only by Your grace and love **Praise Your Holy Name.** 

In Your image and likeness, You created us to form relationships with others. **Praise Your Holy Name.** 

With thankful hearts, we worship You **Praise Your Holy Name for evermore.** 

*We sing* – We cannot measure how you heal, Harmonisation: © WGRG, the Iona Community, *CH4* #718 , vv1-3

We cannot measure how you heal or answer every sufferer's prayer, yet we believe your grace responds where faith and doubt unite to care. Your hands, though bloodied on the cross, survive to hold and heal and warn, to carry all through death to life and cradle children yet unborn.

The pain that will not go away, the guilt that clings from things long past, the fear of what the future holds, are present as if meant to last. But present too is love which tends the hurt we never hoped to find, the private agonies inside, the memories that haunt the mind.

So some have come who need your help and some have come to make amends as hands which shaped and saved the world are present in the touch of friends. Lord, let your Spirit meet us here to mend the body, mind, and soul, to disentangle peace from pain and make your broken people whole.

## Prayer of praise and confession

Gracious God, You who know us better than we know ourselves, there are countless times that we have sinned against You and our neighbour.

Have mercy on us and forgive us.

Consciously or unconsciously, through our words, attitudes and actions, we have broken our relationship with You, with our neighbours and even with the environment. **Have mercy on us and forgive us.** 

Restore, oh gracious God, our broken relationships and guide us in Your paths.

For Your glory and the building of Your Kingdom

Have mercy on us and forgive us

## Words of Assurance



*Story Time* – The boy who finally listened

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jFocDpvTZdw

Question: What were the boy's needs before and after he met the storyteller?

*We sing* – Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the street, words and Music © WGRG Iona Community, *CH4#*360, TUNE: AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE, *CH4#*351, vv 1-5

Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets; no one is his neighbour, all alone he eats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too: make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.

Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets, where injustice spirals and real hope retreats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too: in the Kingdom's causes let me rage with you.

Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets; curing those who suffer, touching those he greets. Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too: let my care be active, healing just like you.

Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets, where each sign of hatred He, with love, defeats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too: where good conquers evil, let me dance with you.

Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets, "Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet." Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few: walk one step before me, I will follow you.

#### Reading - Pat Flockhart

#### Mark 7:24-37

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise to Christ the Word** 

Sermon - When the need arises

### In Communion with God via Green Chat

Question to explore – what are our needs as the church? (Each bubble explores the question. And we'll share them with others.)

#### **Prayer of Intercession**

#### Gracious God,

We pray for our broken world and for peace. We pray for the children of all nations, for men and women longing to be reunited with their families.

#### Gracious God,

We pray for all nations, churches and faith-based organisations, to encourage and empower us all to build loving and supportive relationships that reflect the image and likeness of God.

#### Gracious God,

We pray for those who are left behind in Afghanistan not to lose hope and find faith in God, we pray for those who are suffering from Delta outbreaks, their needs will be met through your grace and love in Christ, Amen. We sing - All things bright and beautiful, CH4 #137, vv1-4

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, he made their glowing colours, he made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky,

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, he made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

Verse 1 also sung as a refrain after each verse

#### Sending

Benediction (Together) 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

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"THE BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF REVELATION will begin on <u>7 September</u> as scheduled, via **ZOOM** at 7 pm. All are welcome. Please indicate if you will participate in the study. Jin Sook will send the study material beforehand."

Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Time: Sep 7, 2021 07:00 PM Auckland, Wellington

JOIN ZOOM MEETING https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5671981115

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Join Zoom Meeting FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 10.30 AM https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89767205103

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UPCOMING from September....

**BIBLE STUDY FOR THE BOOK OF REVELATION** in **September till 2 November** on **Tuesdays** (*tba*) September: 14,21 and 12, 19, 26 **October** and 2 **November** - 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Please read the Book of Revelation at least once (to three times) for the study.

AGM Sunday 26 September after service in the hall

Please send in any outstanding reports as soon as possible. If you are not on email, phone me (Liz) at home and I can take dictation!