GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

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

18th April 2021

Easter 3



Ministers: All the people in Christ Minister: Rev Jin Sook Kim Reader: Jenny Lawton Organist: David Russell Director of Music: Catherine Macdonald <u>We gather together as the people of God</u> Kia Ora, Talofa, Bulla, Shalom and Annyeong-haseyo

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 – All will be well, Music © Alison Carey, Words © William Livingstone Wallace, *Hope is Our Song*, #4, verses 1-2,

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All will be well, all things shall be well! Deeper than pain lies buried delight; deeper than grief dwell life's joyful songs; all of our wounds can nurture new light.

Call to worship

How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love! We are called to be Easter people! Darkness cannot claim us! Fear cannot bind us! Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! AMEN! *We sing* – Because you live, O Christ, Music © Roy Tankersley, Words © Shirley Murray, *Alleluia Aotearoa* #7, TUNE: Vruechten CH4#415 verses 1-3

Because you live, O Christ, the garden of the world has come to flower, the darkness of the tomb is flooded with your resurrection power –

Refrain The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison! O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen!

Because you live, O Christ, the spirit bird of hope is freed for flying, our cages of despair no longer keep us closed and life-denying –

Because you live, O Christ, the rainbow of your peace will span creation, the colours of your love will draw all humankind to adoration -

Prayer of praise and confession

Words of Assurance

Story time – Malala



<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ibGHnaBzE88</u>
Question: 1. What do you like most in the story?
2. What made Malala voice her opinions on equal education?

We sing – O Christ who by a cross, Music © untraced, Words © Shirley Murray, *Alleluia Aotearoa* #105, verses 1-4

O Christ who by a cross made peace your sign, you give your peace in water, bread and wine: O Spirit Christ who is our spirit's home, teach us the secret of the true shalom. We speak of peace when in our hearts we war and, unforgiving, keep our grudges sore, we promise peace while yet we strive to win, and in our enemy see not our kin.

Two deaths now face the starving and the fedthe blinding bomb, the simple lack of bread; with riches of the earth at our command, from weaponry to welcome, turn our hand.

The selfishness which is our human curse, the arsenal of hatred which we nurse all are dispelled when in our hearts we say "There is no way to peace: peace is the way."

Readings

First reading: 1 John 3:1-7 Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church **Thanks be to God** Gospel reading: Luke 24:36b-48

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

Sermon: The Peace of Christ

(We remain in silence while the choir sings anthem)

Anthem –Inspired by love and anger, Words and Music © WGRG The Iona Community, *CH4* #253, verses 1 & 5-6

Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain, informed of God's own bias, we ponder once again: 'How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self-interest turn prayer and pity blind?'

God asks, 'Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?' Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat, attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed, and wrote, a saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

We pray together

Surprising God, thank you for the saving work of Christ and the new life of the church. You bless our efforts and prayers for the proclamation of the gospel and the building up of your church. Loving God, be pleased with our offerings today. Affirm your love, grace, and provision for each giver in our midst. Bless these offerings to be used to bring the peace of Christ to the earth. Amen. *We sing* – Lift High the Cross, Music © Hymns Ancient and Modern Ltd, Words, © Shirley Murray, *Alleluia Aotearoa* #87, verses 1-5

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His glorious name.

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout! if we are silent, even stones cry out...

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife, teach us compassion for each human life....

Peace was your plea and peace your loving theme let peace be our passport, peace a living dream....

Great is the cost of walking on this road, to follow and suffer with the Son of God....

Worlds to be born and children yet to be come, take up this song into eternity.....

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

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
April 18 th	Jenny Lawton	<u>Alvin Hall</u> Joan McKay Marilyn Matthews	Danielle Lapointe Karyn Williams	S: Hans Kwak V:Colin Matthews
April 25 th <mark>HALL</mark> Anzac Day	Bob Bos	Don McConnochie Sarah Jenny Lawton	Margaret Palmer Dianne Burrows	

DIARY

SUNDAY 18

3.00pm

Sea of Faith in lounge

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS BEGIN

Monday	19	9.00am	Walking Group
Tuesday	20	10.00am	Open Door
Wednesday	21	2.00pm	Finance Meeting
Thursday	22	2.00pm	Leighton House Service
		4.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
Friday	23	10.30am	ZOOM (chat) meeting
		1.00pm	choir practise
Saturday	24	8.00am	CAR BOOT SALE

SUNDAY2510.30amSt Andrew's CombinedCelebration Sunday in the HALL with shared lunch.Please bring aplate or a donation.

**COLLECTING FOR GUARDIAN ANGEL KOHA – our donations are not keeping up with our monthly commitment. Sunday 25th No Service Matawhero SUNDAY 25

1.00-4.00pm

ANZAC DAY floral display in Church. Entry \$5

ANZAC DAY OBSERVED Monday 26 9. 1.00-4

9.00am **1.00-4.00pm**

Walking Group ANZAC DAY floral display

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Gisborne Presbyterian Parish is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting FRIDAY 23 APRIL 10.30 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87396205344

Meeting ID: 873 9620 5344 Passcode: 184787

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Next Presbytery Gathering Saturday August 14

at Knox Church, Waitara. Mark the date - plan a weekend in the 'Naki!

Tax Receipts – these were posted on 9th April – if you haven't received yours by 20th April please see Liz in the office for a copy.

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GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH PRESENTS



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

