

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

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

2 May 2021

Easter 5



Ministers: *All the people in Christ* **Minister:** *Rev Jin Sook Kim*

Reader: *Sally Spence*

Organist: *Paul Pollock* **Director of Music:** *Catherine Macdonald*

We gather together as the people of God

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 – I love you Lord, Words & Music © 1978, House of Mercy
Music, CH4 #770, verse 1 (Sing twice)

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
to worship you; O my soul rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear

Call to worship

Dear friends, we gather in the name
of the God of love, we gather in the presence
of the God of love.

So let us worship the God of love.

Dear friends,
we gather as children of the God of love,
we gather as sisters and brothers.

So let us learn to love one another.

Come and sit with me; we shall study the Word.

Together we shall read and understand.

Come and kneel with me; we shall break the bread.

Together we shall eat and be satisfied.

Come and walk with me; we shall part the waters.

Together we shall risk, and, behold, we shall be changed.

We sing – All people that on earth do dwell, *CH4 #63*, vv 1-4

**All people that on earth do dwell
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.**

**Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**Oh, enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto:
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

Prayer of praise and confession

Words of Assurance

Story Time – Pinocchio by Carlo Collodi



Question:

Why didn't Pinocchio want to go back to his father?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZvPS7bElnI>

We sing – Through the love of God (*All will be well*) ©CH4 #562, vv 1-3

**Through the love of God our Saviour
all will be well.**

**Free and changeless in God's favour;
all, all is well.**

**Precious is the blood that healed us,
perfect is the grace that sealed us,
strong the hand stretched forth to shield us;
all must be well.**

**Though we pass through tribulation,
all will be well.**

**Ours is such a full salvation,
all, all is well.**

**Happy, still in God confiding,
fruitful, if in Christ abiding,
Holy, through the Spirit's guiding;
all must be well.**

**We expect a bright tomorrow;
all will be well.
Faith can sing through days of sorrow,
'All, all is well.'
On our Father's love relying,
Jesus every need supplying,
in our living in our dying,
all must be well.**

Readings

First reading: 1 John 4:7-21 (NRSV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Gospel reading: John 15:1-8

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon – Abiding in Father's love

Anthem – O God, you are my God alone, Words and Music © WGRG,
The Iona Community, CH4 #43, vv1-3

O God, you are my God alone, whom eagerly I seek,
though longing fills my soul with thirst and leaves my body weak.
Just as a dry and barren land awaits a freshening shower,
I long within your house to see your glory and your power.

Your faithful love surpasses life, evoking all my praise.
Through every day, to bless your name, my hands in joy I'll raise.
My deepest needs you satisfy as with a sumptuous feast.
So, on my lips and in my heart, your praise has never ceased.

Throughout the night I lie in bed and call you, Lord, to mind;
in darkest hours I meditate how God, my strength, is kind.
Beneath the shadow of your wing, I live and feel secure;
and daily as I follow close, your right hand keeps me sure.

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

We pray together

Gracious God, you are the vine grower, and we belong to you. Thank you for carefully tending us, especially in difficult times. You provide what we need in order to grow as disciples of Jesus. Help us to abide in him, the true vine. May these offerings and our lives bear much fruit and bring glory to you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

We sing – Let us talents and tongues employ, Music © 1973, Hope Publishing Company, CH4 #673 vv 1-3

**Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

*Refrain:
Jesus lives again,
earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around:
loaves abound!*

**Christ is able to make us one;
at his table he sets the tone,**

teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express.

Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God-Emmanuel everywhere!

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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DIARY

Monday	3	9.00 am	Walking group
Tuesday	4	10.00am	Open Door
		11.30am	Worship Committee Mtg
Wednesday	5	9.45am	mainly music
Friday	7	10.30am	Zoom Meeting
		1.00pm	choir practice
Saturday	8	8.00am	Car Boot Sale
Sunday	9	10.30am	St Andrews Communion
			No Service at Matawhero
		12.00pm	Mother's Day lunch
		3.00pm	Civic Orchestra Concert
Monday	10	9.00am	Walking group
Tuesday	11	10.00am	Open Door
		1.30pm	Rymans Service

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
May 2nd	Sally Spence	<u>Pat Flockhart</u> Jenny Lawton Jean Hillyard	Marilyn Matthews Jan Gordon	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin Matthews
May 9th <i>communion</i>	Dianne Burrows	<u>Pat Smith</u> Dianne Burrows Joan McKay	Trish Kwak Paulina Melief	S: Hans Kwak V: Colin M

COMMUNION ROSTER: Seton Clare, Jenny Lawton.
Don McConnochie, Jean Hillyard, Gwenda Crawshaw

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

Join Zoom Meeting **FRIDAY 7TH MAY 10.30 am**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86319180355>

Meeting ID: 863 1918 0355 Passcode: 689836

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SUNDAY 9TH MAY – Mother’s Day lunch at The Rivers.
Meet at 12.00pm.
Contact is Dianne:863 2554

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GISBORNE CONCERT BAND

SATURDAY 15 MAY

St Andrews Concert Series - conducted by Sean Scanlen.
Gisborne Concert Band Inc returns to St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church to deliver a programme featuring some well-loved favourites from a wide range of genres.
The beautiful counterpoint of Thomas Tallis will be presented alongside Leonard Cohen’s melodic genius, and Andrew Lloyd Webber’s show tunes alongside New Orleans-style jazz. The band is made up of local musicians of all ages – come and hear the talent that exists in Gisborne!