

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

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

*14 July 2024*

*Pentecost 8*

DIARY

SUNDAY	14	PENTECOST 8	Winter School Holidays middle
		10.00am	St. Andrew's Lynnor Cooke Matawhero – no service
Monday	15	9.00am	Walking Group
		9.30am	Matawhero gardening
Tuesday	16	10.00am	Open Door All welcome
Wednesday	17	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>
Thursday	18	3.30pm	Dunblane Rest Home service tbc
Friday	19	1.00pm	Choir rehearsal
SUNDAY	21	PENTECOST 9	Winter School Holidays End
		9.00am	Matawhero – Hall Service
		10.00am	St. Andrew's Sr Cynthia Kearney

**Coming up:**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Favourite Bible passages and why. Please think about your favourite, and the reason, to present at this Bible Month service coordinated by Ruth McLennan**

**Saturday 5 September – Parish Garage Sale. Start sorting saleable goods.**

*We welcome all visitors to our service this morning.  
Please sign the Visitors' Book and make yourself known to the Hosts who  
stand at the back of the church. A toilet is located in the foyer.  
In our worship we use inclusive language as much as possible. Sometimes,  
especially in the hymns, this is not possible. Feel free to insert the language  
with which you are most comfortable. **BOLDED WORDS** are for  
congregational response. Where there is an asterisk \* you are invited to  
stand.*

## **“THE WORD”; ONE VOICE – MANY VOICES**

*Greetings with news and notices*

**Spoken Call to Worship :**

**All: Holy spirit, truth divine  
Dawn upon this soul of mine  
WORD of God, and inward light,  
Wake my spirit, clear my sight.**

The Bible is brought forward during the singing of the first hymn:  
Please stand to sing

**\*We Sing:** *CH4 112 Moscow*

**God, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and, where the gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light.**

**Saviour, who came to bring,  
on your redeeming wing,  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
now to all humankind  
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
Speed forth your flight;  
move o'er the waters' face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.**

**Blessed and holy Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far wide  
let there be light.**

### **Opening Prayer**

**Responsive Reading** 1 John 1: 1-6 (Good News Bible)

Leader: Before the world was created the WORD already existed. He was with God and he was God. From the very beginning the WORD was with God.

**All: Through him God made all things; not one thing in all creation was made without him.**

Leader: The WORD was the source of life and this life brought light to all mankind.

**All: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has never put it out!**

**\*We Sing**: Light of lights beholden AA89

**Light of lights beholden, we from days of olden  
sang this song  
for to understand that peace upon this planet  
was pledged to come.  
Each to other, sister, brother, born for life and song.**

*look towards the light and carry on:  
let the simple heart and hope among us  
keep our family strong,  
let the simple heart and hope among us  
keep our family strong.*

**Darkness all around us,  
light has always found us,  
light will come  
where the dark is deepest,  
greater light will keep us  
safe from harm.  
Troubled times will always find  
a voice of troubled doom,**

### **Celebration Time**

Celebrations today, May God bless you, we pray,  
Live for Jesus, dear people. May he guide you each day.

### **Family Time**

**\*Presentation of Offering and Dedication** Please stand and sing

1. Every day I will offer you, AA 36  
loving God, my heart and mind,  
every way I discover you  
in the work your hand has signed;  
help me see I'm your image,  
and you have dreamed what I might be,  
every day in your Spirit,  
I'll find the love and energy!
  
2. Every day I will look to Christ,  
and give thanks for wine and bread  
through the pain and the emptiness  
where your world cries to be fed;

**help me see I can work for change,  
and wherever I might be,  
every day in your Spirit,  
I'll find the love and energy!**

- 3. Every day I will take your word,  
answer your compassion's claim,  
celebrate every sign of hope,  
every deed done in your name;  
help me see you are always there,  
and your light can shine through me,  
every day in your Spirit,  
I'll find the love and energy!**

*Colin Gibson / Shirley Murray*

### **Reflection**

Including Bible readings read by Jennifer McDonald

### **Prayers of the People:**

**\*We Sing:** For the music of creation, AA41

Tune There's a light upon the mountain WOV 207

- 1 For the music of creation,  
for the song your Spirit sings,  
for your sound's divine expression,  
Burst of joy in living things:  
God, our God, the world's composer,  
hear us, echoes of your voice:  
music is your art, your glory, let the human heart rejoice!**
- 2 Psalms and symphonies exalt you,  
drum and trumpet, string and reed,  
simple melodies acclaim you,  
tunes that rise from deepest need,  
hymns of longing and belonging,  
carols from a cheerful throat,  
lilt of lullaby and lovesong, catching heaven in a note.**

**3 All the voices of the ages  
in transcendent chorus meet,  
worship lifting up the senses,  
hands that praise and dancing feet;  
over discord and division  
music speaks your joy and peace,  
harmony of earth and heaven,  
song of God that cannot cease!**

Remain standing for

**\*Spoken Blessing** Now as we go Shirley Murray AA99

**Now as we go, kind Spirit keep us,  
in all we see, Christ be our focus,  
in all we do, his story shape us,  
that we may grow to God's good purpose.**

**Now as we go, sister and brother,  
give us good care one of the other,  
more hope to share, more strength to gather,  
more life to know in faith together.**

**\*Sung:** AMEN x3 CH4#819

**Ministers:** *All the people in Christ* **Leader:** *Lynnor Cooke*  
**Reader:** Jennifer McDonald

*Please join us for a time of fellowship and friendship over a cup of tea  
or coffee in the Lounge next door.*

**Note:** The offering is now received at the door as we enter. If you miss noticing this, you may place a retiring offering in the offering boxes at the door as you leave.

**Mindful Prayer topics:** July 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 2024 Global tensions. The bereaved especially those connected with GPP. Those at GPP dealing with difficult decisions. Those who tirelessly compile our services & deal with ongoing administration.. Those recovering from surgery or receiving medical treatment. Those with mental health challenges. Care givers. Faith, family and friends. .Mindful Prayer contact Margaret Graham ph. 021 026 03990 or email [m.n.e.gra@xtra.co.nz](mailto:m.n.e.gra@xtra.co.nz)

Christian Blind Mission accepts used stamps. Send directly to them or Val Hall.  
(Leprosy Mission no longer accepts stamps)

**Please remember** donations for the Love basket when shopping. All offerings gratefully received.

Val Hall and Pat Flockhart are offering Home Communion, and they need an Elder to be present. Any Elders willing to assist, please phone or email Val Hall.

For all Pastoral care needs please contact one of the committee members:

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With blessings from the Pastoral Committee

Sunday	Reader	Door & Team	Morning Tea	Sound Visual
14 <sup>th</sup> July Pentecost 8 Lynnor Cooke Celebration Sunday	<b><u>Matawhero</u></b> No service <b><u>St Andrew's</u></b> Jennifer McDonald	<b><u>Pat Flockhart</u></b> Jenny Lawton Jean Hillyard	Wendy Morris Dianne Burrows	S&V:Alan C:Don
21 <sup>st</sup> July Pentecost 9 Cynthia Kearney	<b><u>Matawhero</u></b> Heather Webb L: Marie Burgess <b><u>St Andrew's</u></b> Seton Clare	<b><u>Chrissie Parker</u></b> Sarah McC Cathy Porter	Marilyn Matthews Pat Flockhart	S&V:Linda C:Hans

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