L-5 MINI-SERIES [Order of Service]

***At St Andrew’s, Gisborne***

 6th. APRIL, 2025**, conducted by Revd Dr Clive Yates**

**9-56 Prelude Music:: J.S.BACH;’ Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier’ (BMV 731)**

 **From Mayflower Methodist Church, Leicester. UK.**

**GREETING :: Welcoming Visitors & the Presbytery Commission**

 **2.30 Introit :: Thomas Tallis (1565) “ If ye love me..”**

**OUR OFFERING and Prayer**

**A Very Quick Revision of Last Sunday … .. “Community’**

 **Todays Topic : ‘Jesus Taught US Ethics’**

TOPIC ; Introducing “Schools of Thought’ ***What DO we want out of Life??***

**THEN .. .. came the Teachings of Jesus of Nazareth..**

**1 --HYMN “.. On Jordans bank, the Baptist’s cry ..”**

**\*\*\* >>> GATHERING :: WHEN ON screen;**

**\*\*\* >>>**GATHERING PRAYER ex ISAIAH 57

*L : The Lord says: “Clear the Way!”*

**All : “My people *will* come and listen.”**

*L : God says: “You may not see me.”*

**All : Yet I live alongside the humble!**

 **the poor who depend on You!. TRULY TRULY.**

**\*\*\*>>> 2 READINGS from MICAH , ch 6: including vs. 6-8**

 **from MARK, ch 12: 28 -34 [N-KJV]**

**2--HYMN My song is Love unknown T=3^12<**

The Theological Dilemna: “.. What constitutes ‘FAITH ..”?

 Is the 1-Hour 10-00am ‘GOD-spot’ *enough?*

 What exactly constitutes ‘Discipleship’ ?

\*\*\* >>> READING from 1st.TIMOTHY 6 from vs.5ff.

**3 --HYMN “ Will you come and follow me …” with Intro Music**

\*\*\* **>>> Prayer of THANKSIVING** (LDR)

4 - HYMN Come down, O Love Divine SLD 41

 **WE SIT and SING OUR BLESSING for TODAY::**

 **“ Prepare the way, O Zion ..”**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING for GPP. IMMEDIATELY AFTER SERVICE**

**L-5 CALL 6th April, ETHICS**

**\*\*\* >>> When ANNOUNCED**

**\*\*\* >>> Our GATHERING CALL**

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 **Most Blessed are the merciful.**

 **TRULY: TRULY..**

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**\*\*\* >> L—5 6th.l Prayer of GRATEFUL THANKSGIVING**

**Let us give thanks … …**

**for all the teachings we have inherited in our daily lives**

 **which form the very fabric of how we choose to live.**

**Lord, .. They are the basis of all that creates good relationships:**

**they sustain life-long friendships through thick and thin;**

**they help explain the feelings we enjoy and experience,**

 **the sense of ‘Human-warmth’ and all genuine empathy:**

**and they are the ‘rules’ on which we construct**

**our homes, our families, even the friends we choose/**

 **These ‘rules’ of living are creative in everyday lives.**

***We thank you, gracious Spirit***

***for all YOU do to make such a pleasing differences to our lives.***

**for the way it is revealed it in the actions of others towards us:**

**how other, ordinary, everyday people acknowledge us**

**who greet us with a smile or kindly word or wave;**

**others who respect us and care about us**

**with no hint of seeking reward or favour.**

 **In these actions, they reveal their love for you, … LORD !.**

***We give thanks … for all that sustains us:***

**for the very food on our daily table**

 **for fresh, clean water to drink, and to wash ourselves with,
*We give thanks***

***f*or clarity of minds to think, and to plan, and to organise:**

**for hearts capable of responding with Charity to real need,**

**for hands to serve, and to tend those who are infirm*:***

**for our health and abilities to be active, and**

**for our leisure when we rest, and relax.**

***ESPECIALLY*for ALL these memories**

**we have of those no longer with us.**

**who lived satisfied lives; …so well; …and yet, so contentedly,**

***Above all, … we give you thanks* …. for the promises**

**given to us and to them, by our Teacher Jesus of Nazareth;**

***MAY we always present our praises to You,***

***Giver of all good things***

 ***who works within us – and through us***

***by your*  *Spirit, in the here and now . Amen***

**READINGS NOW Three 19 /3/ 2025**

**L-5 6th April, READING [1 of 3 ] Early in service !!!**

**Prophet MICAH, Ch. 5 : vs 6 -8 [NKJV]**

**‘With WHAT ??’ … shall I come before the Lord,
 *and* bow myself before our God?**

 **Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings,**

 **with calves a year old?**

**Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,**

 **and thousands of rivers of oil?**

**Shall I give my firstborn *for* my transgression,**

 **the fruit of my body *for* the sin of my soul?**

**[ *No ! ]* For He has shown you, O man, … what *is* good;
 and what the Lord requires from you:**

**… to do justly,
 … to love  mercy;
 … and to walk humbly before your God !**

**END END of READ=1**

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| **L-5 13 April, 2nd -READING 2 of 3****Gospel of MARK, Ch 12 : Vs 28 – 34.. [NKJV }****The Greatest Commandment .**[**28**](http://biblehub.com/mark/12-28.htm) **Then one of the scribes came, and having heard Jesus and the Sadducees reasoning together;  -- and perceiving that Jesus had answered them well; the Scribe asked Jesus, *“Which is the*** ***first commandment of all?”*** **Jesus answered him, “The first and greatest of all the commandments *is:*** ***‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.*** ***And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart; with* all your soul; with all your mind; and with all your strength.’  *This* *is* the first commandment.** **The second is like *it, is* this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandments greater than these.”** **So the scribe said to Him, “*Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He.  And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding,  with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one’s neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.”*** **Now when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, He said to him, *“You are not far from the kingdom of God.”*** **After that *no one* dared question Jesus.****END END END** |
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**L-5 READING [ 3 of 3 } 6th April**

**Paul’s *Firs*t Letter to TIMOTHY, Ch. 6 : at vs 5 ff.**

 **5 [ Some ] …people think religion is supposed to make you rich.  Religion does make your life rich, but by making you content with what you have.**

**We didn't bring anything into this world, and we won't**[**+**](https://biblehub.com/cev/1_timothy/6.htm#fn)**take anything with us when we leave. So we should be satisfied just to have food and clothes.**

**People who want to be rich fall into all sorts of temptations and traps. They are caught by foolish and harmful desires that drag them down and destroy them.**

**The love of money causes all kinds of trouble. Some people want money so much they have given up their faith and cause themselves a lot of pain.**

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