St Paul's Presbyterian Church

'Partners in God's Mission of Love' 'We celebrate life in Christ. Join us on the journey'

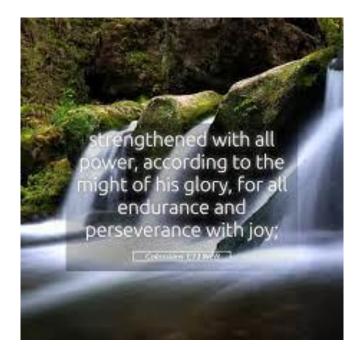
10:00 am Service led by the Worship Committee

Reign of Christ, Sunday 20th November, 2022

It is delightful that you are here as we worship God together this morning. Please join in reading the *words in bold italic type* if you would like to.

Where you see a * please stand if you are able.

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Anyoung haseyo, Malo elelei, Ni hao, Ohayo gozaimasu, Fakaalofa atu! Nau mai, haere mai, welcome!



Welcome and Notices:

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*Call to worship:

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for His steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for His steadfast love endures forever.

*Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise (WOV 80)
Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might: Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above, Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, Then wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

All laud we would render: o help us to see, 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee; And so let thy glory, Almighty, impart Through Christ in the story, thy Christ to the heart.

Opening Prayer

Pass the Peace

Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

*Hymn: <u>Servant King</u> (Video)

From Heaven, You came helpless babe Entered our world, your glory veiled Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

Chorus

This is our God, The Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to The Servant King

There in the garden of tears My heavy load he chose to bear His heart with sorrow was torn "Yet not My will but Yours", He said

Chorus

Come see His Hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered

Chorus

So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving *Chorus*

Source: <u>Musixmatch</u>

Speaker: Jane Morgan, Nourished for Nil/Napier Foodbank

*Hymn: In Your Presence (Video) Please remain seated As you draw us together to worship and praise, to surrender our desires to your way. As we learn to depend on your Spirit and Grace, we commit ourselves to serve you this day. (Chorus) When we open our hearts and your Word sets them free, we become as You call us to be. When we share your compassion,

your mercy and love,

we are standing in your presence O Lord.

When our sister is hungry, our brother is lost,If our neighbour is alone or in pain.Lord, you taught us to give without counting the cost,then You told us all to go do the same.(Chorus)

Prayers of Intercession followed by the Lord's Prayer- you can use this versionor the one dearest to you.Brenda Silson

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Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil, for the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours Now and forever. AMEN.

Offering:

Lord, we come together to offer ourselves and our gifts back to You, We acknowledge that qualities such as faithfulness, patience and selfcontrol are gifts of the Holy Spirit. We keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfector of our faith. We go forward in the knowledge that You are with us each step of every day. Amen.

*Hymn: <u>Take My Gifts</u> (Alleluia Aotearoa 127) Take my gifts and let me love You, God who first of all loved me, gave me light and food and shelter, gave me life and set me free. Now because your love has touched me,

I have love to give away Now the bread of love is rising, loaves of love to multiply!

Take the fruit that I have gathered from the tree your Spirit sowed, harvest of your own compassion, juice that makes the wine of God, spiced with humour, laced with laughter, flavour of the Jesus life, tang of risk and new adventure, taste and zest beyond belief. Take whatever I can offer-gifts that I have yet to find, skills that I am slow to sharpen, talents of the hand and mind, things made beautiful for others in the place where I must be: take my gifts and let me love You, God who first of all loved me.

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Benediction: Now Unto Him

Now unto Him who is able to keep, Able to keep you from falling, And present you faultless Before the presence of His glory With exceeding joy; To the only wise God our Saviour, Be glory and majesty, Dominion and power Both now and ever. Amen.

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THIS WEEK'S NOTICES 20th November 2022

Helping Today

Greeters: Marion Fell & Ella Haigh Offering: Janice Tucker Bible Reader: Bruce Tucker Musician: Pam Clare Flowers: Rae Wildbore & Grace Moore Grounds: Bev & Mike Coghill

Helping next week Sunday 27th November 2022

Greeters: Elaine Brown & Christine Woodward Offering: Helen McClymont Bible Reader: Michael Hamilton Musician: Dorothy Finlayson Flowers: Alison Hancock Grounds: Bruce Tucker

What's On This Week

| Monday | Care and Share lunch 12 noon at Duke of Gloucester |
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| Tuesday | Jitterbugs in Church Lounge from 9am. |
| Thursday | Prayers in Church & Revelation Studies at 9am |
| Saturday | Repair Café at Asher Hall 11.30am to 2.30pm. |

Prayer Focus: Let us pray for: -

- * Ministry among us: Jitterbugs
- * Partners in God's Mission of Love: Nourished for Nil
- * Partners in the Napier Inner City: Catholic Parish of Napier
- * Parishes in our Presbytery: Waipukurau

Care and Share

The group will be meeting at the **Duke of Gloucester** - 389 Gloucester Street Taradale for lunch tomorrow **Monday 21st Nov at 12noon**. This

will be our last gathering for 2022. If you would like to join us, **please contact Dorothy Ph 8431266** to confirm. All are welcome.

Pipe Band Concert

Napier Pipe Band is staging a concert at the **Taradale RSA today Sunday 20th November, commencing at 3pm**. The band is keen to present some of the new tunes that have been added to the repertoire as well as items featuring the keyboard and guitar. Of course, many of the old favourites will be played as well. As always, raffle tickets will be on sale, so please do bring some change and perhaps enjoy a meal after the entertainment. We do hope to see you there. Kerry Marshall, Napier Pipe Band.

Advent Carol Service

Please 'save the date' for an Advent Carol Service which will be held on **Sunday 27th November at 8pm at St John's at Waiapu Cathedral**. All churches with the Inner-City Covenant are invited to attend.

What's on the noticeboard?

- 1. Sunday 27th November 2pm at St Paul's Church. Afternoon Piano Recital by Flemming Kristensen. Koha entry.
- Saturday 3rd December 2pm at St Columba's Church, Havelock North. Gala Concert featuring Rhonda Browne & Susan Melville.
- 3. Sunday 4th December 4-6pm at Havelock Village Domain. Community Christmas Carols on the green.
- Saturday 10th December at 7.30pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Clive Square, Napier. Four's Company presents Joy to the World Christmas Concert.
- Christian Lovelink urgently require volunteer drivers for their Box Body Truck. Class One License. For more info, contact Ian Jones 027-532 2611 or email <u>christianlovelink@xtra.co.nz</u>.

Retiring Offering

Retiring offering for Child sponsorship will be collected on **Sunday**, 27th **November**. Thanks for your continued support

Napier Food Bank/Nourished for Nil

"Nourished for Nil / Foodbank Napier are almost out of spreads (jam / peanut butter) and biscuits. Also, a huge thanks to those of you sending in the Christmas treats – they are wonderful! Jane"

Adair's Commissioning/Farewell Service

Adair's commissioning service will be held on **Sunday 4th December**, as part of our Communion service. We will have morning tea after the service which will give us the opportunity to thank Adair for all she has shared with us over the past two years and to wish her well for the next stage in her's and Eric's ministry.

Nourish For Nil speaker at church

Today, we have been privileged to hear from a representative from Nourish for Nil/Napier Foodbank, Jane Morgan. If you were considering making a financial donation to Nourished for Nil, now is a good time. Jack Johnson, an internationally known musician has teamed with N4N and is matching dollar for dollar any donations made during November and December. The donation needs to be tagged ALL FOR ONE and paid into the account 03-0642-0026560-000.

Gift Service & Swinburn House Book Donation

Swinburn House books, it is that time of year when we start to think about the gifts we give to the children from Swinburn House and the families from the Family Centre. The books this year will cost \$2 each, but if you would prefer to round it up to \$5, we will make sure all the books are paid for and the excess will go toward gifts for Family Centre Children. Please give Marion Fell or Brenda Silson your donation or let them know if you have put money in the church account with the reference Swinburn Books, 02-0700-0013101-00. The **Gift Service** will be on **Sunday 11th December**.

<u>Bible Readings for Monday 21st November – Saturday 26th</u> <u>November</u>

Monday, November 21, 2022:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 117; Jeremiah 30:1-17; Revelation 21:5-27 Complementary: Psalm 24; Jeremiah 46:18-28; Revelation 21:5-27

Tuesday, November 22, 2022:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 117; Jeremiah 30:18-24; Revelation 22:8-21 Complementary: Psalm 24; Isaiah 33:17-22; Revelation 22:8-21

Wednesday, November 23, 2022:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 117; Jeremiah 31:1-6; Luke 1:1-4 Complementary: Psalm 24; Isaiah 60:8-16; Luke 1:1-4

Thursday, November 24, 2022: Thanksgiving Day, USA

Psalm 122; Daniel 9:15-19; James 4:1-10

Friday, November 25, 2022:

Psalm 122; Genesis 6:1-10; Hebrews 11:1-7

Saturday, November 26, 2022:

Psalm 122; Genesis 6:11-22; Matthew 24:1-22