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Mission Statement

Cashmere Presbyterian Church will make the life and teachings of Jesus Christ known and will share in God's loving purposes of truth, justice, peace and wholeness for all people and the world.

Sunday 13th January 2019

Baptism of Jesus

Theme: John the Baptist

A very warm welcome to you all, whether this is your first time or thousandth time in church. You are welcome whatever your age, gender, marital status, disability, poverty or wealth, race or sexuality. You are welcome whether you have a deep and mature faith in Christ; are uncertain and still seeking; or have no faith. If you are new to church, please do not hesitate to ask one of those on duty if you have any questions.

You are invited to stay for Morning Tea, which will be served in the Lounge after the service.

Order of Worship

(Congregational responses are in bold italics)

Please stand as the Bible is processed in.

Lighting the Fellowship Candle (*Anne Shave*)

Welcome to worship at Cashmere Presbyterian Church

Opening Hymn 669: I am the light of the world

Call to Worship: from Isaiah 40

A voice cries out in the wilderness:

What does it cry?

“Prepare ye the way of the LORD!

Make a straight path for salvation

Fill in the valleys, bring down the hills

Smooth out the rough ground

For the Lord is coming, God's glory will be seen

All people will see it.”

A voice says, "Cry out!"

What shall we cry?

"All people are like grass, wild flowers at the road side

In a hot wind the grass dries up, the flowers fall

Only God's word stands forever."

So climb a mountain and call with all your might,

Don't be afraid, cry to the cities, to all the people -

"Your God is here! Christ has come!"

Notices

Passing the Peace: *We offer each other the 'right hand of fellowship' as a sign that all are welcome and accepted by God.*

Song: Go tell it on the mountain

*Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.*

1. While shepherds kept their watching
Over silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light
2. The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our saviour's birth
3. Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
So God sent our salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.
4. When I was a sinner
I prayed both night and day
I asked the Lord to help me,
and he showed me the way.
5. He made me a watchman
up on the city wall
and if I am a Christian
I'm loving one and all.

Children's story *at the back of the church*

Prayer of confession

Hymn 199 *(tune ii, solo or join in, stay seated): On Jordan's bank*

Bible Readings *(Reader: Shirley Wilson)*

Isaiah 40:3-9 (p.700 OT)

Luke 3: 2-8 and 15-22 (p.79 NT)

Sermon

Offering: *Our freewill offering to support the mission and Church of Jesus Christ will be received. Donations for the Food Bank are placed in a supermarket trolley.*

Dedication of the offering *(please stand)*

Carol 241: Child in the manger

Prayers for others

Sing 676: **The Lord's Prayer**

Closing Hymn 482: How can a sinner know

Blessing

Amen, amen, amen (sung)

*Please remain standing as the Bible is processed out.
Thank you for sharing in worship this morning. Please come through to the hall for morning tea.*





Healing Service, with Communion: next Sunday, 21 January at 11.30am.

Used Stamps are collected by PWANZ, and the funds raised are used for Mission work. If you have used stamps to donate, they can be left at the church office, or given directly to Judith Harrington.

Presbytery Gathering - 15-17 February 2019, in Greymouth

Anyone is welcome to attend any of the Alpine Presbytery Gatherings (although only Ministers and the nominate Presbytery Elder can vote). The next one is in February in Greymouth, and more information is available on the Presbytery website: alpinepresbytery.org/events/ or speak to Silvia Purdie or David Troughton about what is involved.

Church Rosters

	This week - 13th January	Next week - 20th January
Door Duty	Graham Cook, Janet Aldridge, Elisabeth Cooch	Ian Gray, Margaret Ford, Karen Shao
Offerings counting	Warren & Andrea Campbell	Bruce Leadbetter, Ian Gray
Morning Tea	Judith & Brian Irwin	Janet Aldridge, Graham Cook
Filter coffee	Shirley Wilson	Helen Leadbetter
Bible Reading	Shirley Wilson	Elisabeth Cooch
Candle Lighting	Anne Shave	Joyce Lockhart
Food Trolley	Graham McCormick	Helen Matthews

Upcoming Services

20 January	Morning Worship	Rev Hugh Perry
	11.30am Healing Service	Hugh & Anne
27 January	Morning Worship	Barbara Sampson
3 February	Favourite Hymns	Silvia Purdie
10 February	Family Service	Silvia Purdie