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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 14th January 2018

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.

The *Family Room* is at the front left of the church, and those with younger children are welcome to use this, or to stay in the service, as they choose.

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)

Leader: *Ian French-Wright, Senior Elder.*

Welcome: *Ivan Pierce*

Candle Lighting: *Annette McAdam*

Hymn: Be Still For The Presence of the Lord..

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and awe:
in him no sin is found -
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

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2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight -
our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace:
no work too hard for him -
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

David J Evans
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Responsive Reading:

Psalm 139: 1-12 (pew Bible p.617 OT)

Leader reads the odd-numbered verses: Congregation the even numbers.

Prayers: Let us pray.

Awesome God, Creator of the whole universe, we bow before you.

Your greatness is evident in all that you have made.

You have created every part of us, and we are wonderfully made.

You are with us all the time, present at every stage of our life.

We thank you for your constant love, caring for us, and we know we are precious in your sight.

We have not always lived as you would have us live. We have taken you for granted, and gone our own way. Turn us back to you, and restore us in a right relationship with you, that our lives may be happy in your company, and fruitful in your service. This we ask in Jesus' name.

Now we sum up our prayers in the words he taught us:

Lord's Prayer Sung 676

Sharing the Peace

Notices

Celebrations:

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Special Occasions in January (*come to the front.*)

Hymn 28: Praise to the Lord.. *Omit v 4*

For the young in heart (*Elizabeth Cooch*)

Donkey Song:

I couldn't sing lullaby songs you know
When Jesus was born in a manger low;
I'm only a donkey both stubborn and slow,
But I sang "Hee Haw, Hee Haw, Hee Haw"
And that means "Praise be to God!"

Hymn 187: Trotting, Trotting.. *Read together*

Readings: (Cecile Pierce)
Exodus 33:14-23 (p 95 OT)
Romans 5: 1-5 (RSV)
Revelation 21: 1-7(RV)

Sermon: Incarnation! Re-incarnation? (read by Elizabeth Cooch)

Offering:

Let us pray together:

Generous God, you have richly provided for our needs, and we thank you for all you have given us.

Now it is time for us to give something back to you, so that your goodness is spread further afield.

May the Good News of your great love for us be heard in this community, in our country and throughout the world.

Dear God, we give ourselves into your hands to fulfil your loving purposes through us, and we ask that you will strengthen us in doing your will, in Jesus' name Amen.

Prayers for others (Anne Shave)

Hymn 148: Love Divine (Tune ii Hyfrydol)

Benediction:

(Suggestion: Hold hand(s) and look at others while saying the Grace☺)

***The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you and with those whom you love.***

Sung Amen



Healing Service, with communion, next Sunday, 22 January, 11.30am

Favourite Hymns Sunday – 4th February

Time to start thinking of your favourite hymns! During January there will be a box for you to drop in a note of your own favourite(s) – with reasons why, if you like – and we will use those to make a selection for the service on 4th February.

Pastoral Care & Hospital Visiting

As we do not always hear when someone is sick or has gone into hospital, we may miss out on visiting them. Elisabeth Cooch, Convenor of the Pastoral Committee (ph. 332 1272), asks that you tell her, or Silvia, or Gail in the office, if you know of anyone in this situation.

World Day of Prayer 2018

This year the World Day of Prayer will be held on **Friday 2nd March**, 7.30pm at the Beckenham Methodist Church. The organisers have asked whether two of our members would be willing to be readers, which would include attending a rehearsal on the morning of Friday 23rd February (10am). Anyone interested in being involved in this event, please let Gail know.

New Yoga & Stretching classes at Cashmere

We have a yoga teacher who is keen to use the Kowhai lounge for up to three sessions a week, provided she gets enough participants. Classes on offer are:

Simply Stretching: 45 mins of stretching, toning and core strength training. Giving a performance edge to all active people.

Simply Yoga: a series of movements and postures that provide you with strength, posture and balance – the three essentials for retaining and regaining movement.

Chair Yoga is also available for folk wanting to participate who may need extra support at present.

Dates: Mondays 1.30-3.30pm; Thursdays 4-6pm; possibly Fridays 9.30-11.30am

If you are interested please contact **Dakota Blue** on 022 0125 005, email blue.dakota@gmail.com

CHURCH ROSTERS

	This week – 14 January	Next week –21 January
Door Duty	Elisabeth Cooch Colin Reid Ngaere Brownlie	Bruce Leadbetter Helen Leadbetter Barbara White
Offerings Counting	Colin Reid Graham Cook	Bruce Leadbetter Jay Lee
Morning Tea	Annette & Kirsty McAdam	Cecile Pierce & Graham Cook
Filter coffee	Elizabeth Taggart	Helen Leadbetter
Bible Reading	Cecile Pierce	
Candle Lighting		
Food Trolley	Helen Matthews	Ian Shaw

Upcoming Services

21 January 2018	Morning Worship	Silvia Purdie
	Healing Service	Anne & Silvia
28 January 2018	Morning Worship	Silvia Purdie
4 February 2018	Favourite Hymns	Silvia Purdie
11 February	Family Service	Silvia Purdie
18 February	Morning Worship Healing Service	Silvia Purdie Anne & Silvia