

# St Andrew's on The Terrace

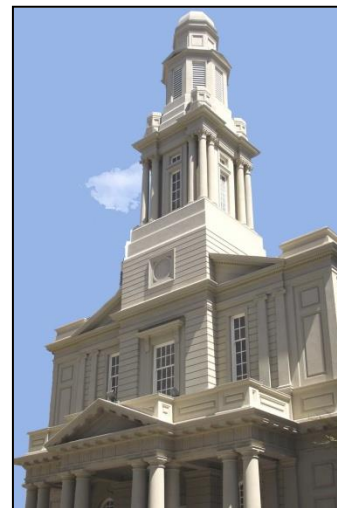
*Hato Anaru o Te Parehua*

Founded 1840

## ORDER OF SERVICE

20 November 2016

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### Pentecost 27



International Transgender Day of Remembrance

## WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Wherever you are on your faith's journey,  
wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to,  
whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here.

Please join in the congregational responses printed in ***bold italics***.

Please stand if you are able, for the hymns and the offering prayer.

We will sing the hymns without announcement.

To use the loop system in the church, turn your hearing aids on to the appropriate setting.

*Please note your nearest fire exit.*

*The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened. In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.*

### GATHERING

Here we gather,

***all sorts of people***

***tall, thin, wide, vertically challenged***

Here we meet

***all sorts of people***

***different colours, personalities and political flavours***

Here we include

***all sorts of people***

***lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning, intersex***

Here we are in this special space

***together we are one.***

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (*music follows*)

### 'For all the Saints'

Words: ©Susan Jones

Tune: Sine Nomine

For all the saints of every age and day,  
who bravely seek to follow Jesus' way;  
sharing Good News by what they do and say:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

For those who struggle much with who they are,  
Listened to feelings which with bodies jarred,  
Who sought and asked and travelled near and far.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

For those who understood, as feelings grew,  
The need to live within a body true  
and all that's needed to transition through.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Jesus, who exploded people's view,  
Of who was 'out' or 'in' the chosen few;  
Who died for freedom meant for me and you,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

And so we meet to celebrate the right  
to be yourself by day and every night;  
and pray that Love will always shine out bright,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

For all the saints of every age and day, who bravely seek to  
fol-low Je-sus' way; shar - ing Good News by what they do and  
say: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.  
*Kia ora.*

## PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER FOR TRANSGENDER AWARENESS

*Our Mother and Father, our beloved parent, in whom we move and breathe and have our being,*

*the hallowing of your name shines forth in the diversity of your children.*

*May your peace and love, justice and equality, inclusion and belonging reign here on earth as in heaven.*

***Grant that our transgender loved ones might have their daily needs met—that they might find gainful employment without discrimination; that they might have access to medical care without fear; that they might have their rights and lives protected, and that they might find a loving community to belong to and call their own.***

***Forgive us for the ways that we have fallen short and failed your transgender children. Forgive us for times we turned away, or did not care; for times we laughed or judged their unique expression of your image; for times we have misspoken, asked too much, or failed to hear***

***As we forgive those who might have failed us.***

***Lead us away from the temptation to be complacent in the face of injustice. But instead give us courage to stand up and stand with your beloved children. For your love and justice is to be made manifest now and forever.***

***Amen.***

*This prayer was originally written for Central Congregational UCC (Atlanta, GA) Pride Sunday worship Services on October 9, 2016*

## **LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE**

### **BLESSING THE CHILDREN**      *(All stand)*

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme to hear stories, ask questions and have fun together.

***We bless you. Amen.***

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

*Feel free to pass the peace with those nearby or move to greet others further away. Passing the peace consists of shaking hands and saying "Peace be with you." The response is "Peace be with you" or just "And with you." Or, simply saying "Hello" is a good idea. Also feel free to simply observe if you wish!*

## **THE GLAMAPHONES**

**In Paradisum from Fauré's Requiem**

By Gabriel Fauré Op. 48

## **THE WORD IN TEXTS**

**Joan Tyler**

**Hebrew Bible**

**Psalms 23 (paraphrase)**

**Gospel**

**'The Good Samaritan'**

**Luke 10:29-37**

## Contemporary reading

You will never know  
the peace of acceptance  
once you are finished,  
put to earth.  
Life was harsher than the dirt;  
parents made you feel worthless  
cause you wanted to wear a short dress.  
Because you felt different  
cut off  
disowned  
disavowed;  
one friend after another disappears  
and no one hears  
the sobs  
no one feels the salty tears  
no one holds your hands  
or offers you a hug.

You were damned  
by those who demanded  
you conform,  
where there was no warmth.  
The clock cuts you bitterly  
condemning you to be lonely,  
and I cry all the more  
knowing you won't be the only one  
not the only daughter wanting to be a son  
not the only male that wants to be female  
not the only soft face hardened  
or hard face softened till the sorrow overflows  
till everyone you know closes the door  
and you disappear forever more

## RESPONSE

For the Word in scripture,  
for the Word among us,  
for the Word within us,  
***we give thanks***

## REFLECTION

## To the Transgender Suicides

Jem Traylen & Susan Jones

**READING OF NAMES AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES**

*The official list of transgendered people murdered in 2016 throughout the world will be read and candles lit in memorial. This is believed to be a conservative list – the real toll may be as high as 300 or more.*

*Then everyone will be invited to come and light their own candle - thinking of the difficulties and tensions under which transgender people often have to live their lives; tensions and stresses which can result in poverty and lead to depression and suicide.*

*As you come forward, if you have brought offerings please place them in the baskets. (Do not be embarrassed if you have not come prepared for this).*

**OFFERING PRAYER** *(said together)*

***We bring what food we can to help others to be able to eat. We bring money so this church can continue to spread its message of all being welcome in this world. We light candles as a symbol of our solidarity with those who find the world a difficult place. May both food and money do this work as they are given and used; may these candles spread the warmth of their light in this world of ours. Amen***

*We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table, and those which wing their way electronically from our banks to the church's account.*

**LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S**

*People share notices and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice not already in the order of service, please move to the front row, ready to speak **briefly** from the lectern.*

***For the benefit of newcomers, please introduce yourself before you begin.***

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Lynne Dovey**

**CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Tunisia and Muslim people in Tunisia and throughout the world. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Winston Peters and Shane Reti and the members of their electorates of Northland and Whangarei. Here in Wellington, we pray for St John's in The City Presbyterian Church.

**PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S**

*on card*

**TIME WITH THE ADULTS**

# HYMN (*music follows*)

# 'Draw the Circle Wide'

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*Draw the circle wide.  
Draw it wider still.  
Let this be our song,  
no-one stands alone,  
standing side by side,  
draw the circle wide.*

God the still-point of the circle,  
'Round whom all creation turns;  
Nothing lost, but held forever,  
in God's gracious arms. *chorus*


Let our hearts touch far horizons,  
So encompass great and small;  
Let our loving know no borders,  
Faithful to God's call. *chorus*

Let the dreams we dream be larger,  
Than we've ever dreamed before;  
Let the dream of Christ be in us,  
Open every door...

*chorus twice (At this point move to form a circle around the seats in the church)*




Draw the cir-cle wide, draw it wid-er still, let this be our



song: no one stands a - lone stand-ing side by side. Draw the cir-cle wide.



God the still point of the cir-cle round whom all cre - a - tion turns



No-thing lost, but held to-geth-er in God's gra-cious arms.

D.S for Refrain

**BLESSING**

**SUNG AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

**THANK YOU**            **Mark Stamper and The Glamaphones our musicians today**

Unless otherwise specified all our music is used by permission CCLI Licence 3341550

*There is a 2-hour parking limit on the street in the Wellington CBD on Sundays.  
If you are staying for an after-church activity, you can move your car into the car park, or move to a new space on the street.*

**We welcome all visitors and invite you to stay for morning tea or coffee.**

Please sign the visitors' book at the back of the church.

We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us. At St Andrew's we want you to feel at home—to join in with the activities of our community of faith, or to come and find your own spiritual place in your own time. If you would like more information about St Andrew's or to explore becoming a member or associate member, please fill in one of the welcome leaflets (at the back of the church) and hand it to a minister or a welcoming team member.



**AUDIO REFLECTIONS**

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website.  
<http://www.standrews.org.nz/sunday-gathering/orders-of-service>

**GENEROUS GIVING**

St Andrew's depends on the generous giving of members and friends. If you would like to make a donation or support our work through planned giving, please contact our Parish Office or Treasurer. Bank account for donations is: St Andrews on The Terrace, BNZ Lambton Qy, 02-0534-0004022-02

**SUNDAY ROSTERS**

*A folder with an outline of each duty is now kept on the back table. If you are unable to do your rostered duty please arrange a swap/substitute and inform the office. Thank you.*

**Thanks to this week's volunteers**

Welcoming	Jim & Maxine Cunningham
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Paul Satherley, Paul Barber
Coffee/tea	Laura Hicks, Melissa Van Echten, Wendy & Andrew Matthews
Time with the Adults	
Readings	Joan Tyler
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Musician	Mark Stamper
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson



<b>On duty 27 November</b>	
Welcoming	Brian & Lynette Burrell
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Graham Howell, Jon Schrader
Coffee/tea	James Cone, Sonia Groes-Petrie, Richard Keller
Time with the Children	Sue McRae
Readings	John Morgan
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Roger Jones

<b>This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's</b>
<b>Sunday 20 November</b> Sunday Gathering and Transgender Day of Remembrance led by Susan Jones. Followed by Social Justice Meeting
<b>Wednesday 23 November</b> Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre
<b>Wednesday 23 November 12.15pm</b> Lunchtime Concert   Chamber Ensemble
<b>Thursday 24 November 12.30pm</b> Centering Prayer in the Centre.
<b>Sunday 27 November</b> Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones. Followed by Exploring the Faith study session

## ***ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES***

### **THANKS**

Special thanks to those who dealt with earthquake and rain last week. Special thanks for generous offers of beds for any who may have needed help on Tuesday night when stranded in town. There were many solicitous enquiries about St Andrew's and Wellington at Assembly.

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2016**

Summaries of Assembly proceedings can be found on the Assembly website. <http://www.pcanzassembly.org.nz/> A hard copy summary/reflection is available at the back of the church today.

### **MURAL CARDS ON SALE TODAY - CASH OR CHEQUE**

Cards picturing 12 mural stencils and 12 words from the mural on the wall are sale after each Sunday service during November, and from the office during the week. \$10 per packet of 6 cards. The proceeds will be donated to Outerspaces, a Charitable Trust which supports groups working with GLBTQ youth Wellington.

### **ABOUT TDOR – 20 NOVEMBER**

“The Transgender Day of Remembrance was set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. The event is held in November to honour Rita Hester, whose murder on November 28th, 1998 kicked off the “Remembering Our Dead” web project and a San Francisco candlelight vigil in 1999. Although not every person represented during the Day of Remembrance self-identified as transgender — that is, as a transsexual, crossdresser, or otherwise gender-variant —

each was a victim of violence based on bias against transgender people. We live in times more sensitive than ever to hatred based violence... Yet even now, the deaths of those based on anti-transgender hatred or prejudice are largely ignored. Over the last decade, more than one person per month has died due to transgender-based hate or prejudice, regardless of any other factors in their lives. This is not abating. The Transgender Day of Remembrance serves several purposes. It raises public awareness of hate crimes against transgender people, an action current media doesn't perform. It publicly mourns and honours the lives of those who might otherwise be forgotten. We express love and respect for our people in face of national indifference and hatred. This Day reminds non-transgender people we are their sons, daughters, parents, friends and lovers. It gives our allies a chance to step forward with us and stand in vigil, memorializing those of us who've died by anti-transgender violence." Note: Taken from <http://www.rememberingourdead.org/day/what.html>

### **ST ANDREW'S DAY CELEBRATION and ADVENT - NOVEMBER 27**

Advent begins next week and it is also the Sunday we celebrate St Andrew's Day. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

### **BRIDAL SHOWER**

Linda Wilkins writes: "We are holding a bridal shower for Melissa and Laura who will be married in the US in January. Everyone is invited for afternoon tea on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm** in Rooms 1&2 in the Centre. This is our opportunity to "shower" this couple with our best wishes and have a little fun!"

### **CAN YOU HELP?**

Graham Howell writes: "A client of Graham Howell's, a single mother with daughter aged 11, has become homeless due to a reduction in her income support following decisions of Work and Income have made. She does have temporary emergency accommodation - one small bedroom but needs more suitable accommodation. In effect the Work and Income decision won't be resolved for weeks, possibly months and certainly won't get back in her previous home. The mother is a full-time student (Massey) and is flexible about where she can live.. Newtown, Mt Cook, Te Aro, Mt Victoria, Thorndon or the central city, and can afford up to \$350 rent per week. She has excellent references from previous landlords, is a non-smoker. Graham can provide contact details."

## ***WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES***

### **BLOOD DRIVE AT ST ANDREWS CHURCH HALL!**

**Thursday 24th November 9.00am to 2.00pm**

Please call 0800 200 430 to make an appointment today! You must bring suitable id Please make sure you have had plenty to drink and have had something substantial to eat in the four hours prior to donating. Some donors have medical conditions, are on medication, or have had treatment that will need to be discussed with a NZBS donor nurse but do not necessarily prevent you from donating. If you have ANY queries please call us on 0800 448 325.

## **THE WELLINGTON MALE VOICE CHOIR**

Presents "Brothers Sing On" a variety programme on **Sunday 27 November** at 2.30pm at St Andrew's on The Terrace. Cost \$25 door sales on the day or call Ph 234 6242. Conducted by Bruce Cash, accompanied by Shona Murray, guest tenor soloist Noel Signal. Proceeds in support of the Wellington Free Ambulance.

## **PROGRESSING A GLOBAL BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

A humanitarian disarmament forum with Dell Higgle, NZ Disarmament Ambassador Providing an update on the global ban treaty and other disarmament developments at the UN General Assembly First Committee

When: **Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016, from 12.30pm to 1.30pm**

Where: St Andrew's Conference Centre, 30 The Terrace, Wellington - BYO lunch, tea / coffee will be provided. A iCAN Aotearoa New Zealand forum. RSVP by email [icanz@xtra.co.nz](mailto:icanz@xtra.co.nz) or visit [www.facebook.com/peacemovementaotearoa](http://www.facebook.com/peacemovementaotearoa)

## **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS BUILDING HOPE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

An evening with Anna Neistat on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December** 5.30pm at Sustainability Trust, Forrester Lane, Wellington. Refreshments provided. For tickets and further information visit [http://us1.campaign-](http://us1.campaign-archive1.com/?u=552e2eef05687afb40af93bf8&id=051bb1ad86&e=b2ed42c336)

[archive1.com/?u=552e2eef05687afb40af93bf8&id=051bb1ad86&e=b2ed42c336](http://us1.campaign-archive1.com/?u=552e2eef05687afb40af93bf8&id=051bb1ad86&e=b2ed42c336)

***Ngairé Boyden writes: "I have a petition if anyone would be interested in signing it. For Amnesty International's build hope campaign. It is about ending the Australian offshore Detention centres that detain asylum seekers. If anyone would like to sign it or wants more information they can talk to me."***

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# MISSION STATEMENT OF ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

To create a lively, open Christian faith community,  
to act for a just and peaceful world, and to be catalysts for discovery,  
compassion and celebration in the capital.

## MINISTRY AT ST ANDREW'S – THE TEAM

<b>Minister</b>	Susan Jones
<b>Parish Council Convenor</b>	Sandra Kirby
<b>Parish Council Clerk</b>	Maxine Cunningham
<b>Treasurer</b>	Paul Barber
<b>Facilities Management Group</b>	Douglas Wood
<b>Pastoral Convenors</b>	Fiona McDougal, Brian Burrell, Linda Wilkins
<b>Church Music Coordinator</b>	Vivien Chiu
<b>Theologian in Residence</b>	Lloyd Geering
<b>Presbytery Representative</b>	Heather Macfarlane
<b>Concert Coordinator</b>	Marjan van Waardenberg
<b>Rainbow Room Coordinator</b>	Chris Carey-Smith
<b>Church, Conference and Arts Manager</b>	David Medland
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Karyn Bishop
<b>Custodian, SATRS Administrator</b>	Peter Cowley
<b>Facilities Assistant</b>	Rebecca Nodwell
<b>Roster Coordinator</b>	Rosemary Lawrence

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