



ORDER OF SERVICE

12 November 2017

Pentecost 23





The Old Old Story

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 usually sing the hymns without announcement.

To use the *loop system* in the church, turn your hearing aids on to the appropriate setting. *Printed copies of the reflection* are available at the back of the church for people with extreme hearing loss. For others they can be picked up at the end of the Gathering.

Please note your nearest fire exit.
The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened. In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

GATHERING

This time here is a short time in our life's journey

This church building is one building on Wellington's Terrace

The faith that undergirds our lives is one expression of Christianity

Our humanity is defined by a genetic code that has much in common with the codes of all life

We are chapters in the story of Life; that miracle that is Nature However we imagine all that is true and good, we now give of ourselves to be enriched and challenged by it. So may it be!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Creating God, we give you thanks'

Words William D Hyde 1917 (alt.) Tune 'Wareham' WOV 420(ii) William Knapp 1768

1 Creating God, we give you thanks that this your world is incomplete; that battle calls our marshalled ranks, that work awaits our hands and feet.

2 You have not finished woman, man, for we are in the making still, as friends who share the Maker's plan, as those who know your loving will.

3 Beyond the present sin and shame, wrong's bitter, cruel, scorching blight, we see the beckoning vision flame, the blessed kingdom of the right.

4 What though the kingdom long delay, and still with haughty foes must cope? It gives us that for which to pray, a field for toil and faith and hope.

5 Since what we choose is what we are, and what we love we yet shall be, the goal may ever shine afar, the will to win it makes us free.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Sue McRae

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 WORD IN TEXTS

Frank Hanson

Hebrew Bible Psalm 78:1-7

Gospel Matthew 23: 1-13

Contemporary reading

"The New Zealand Project" By Max Harris

Max Harris is a young man who won an extremely prestigious scholarship from Oxford University for seven years to study whatever he wanted to. His research is written up in this book. He almost died two years ago from an aneurism. He said in the book "I haven't lived long enough yet to have lost a sense of hope or a sense of the possible. But I have lived long enough to know that things are moving too slowly for those of us with hope, who want to make the impossible possible. And I've lived close enough to death to feel like we have no time to lose."

RESPONSE

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

PIANO SOLO Vivien Chiu

"Dance" by Niels Gade (1817-1890) Op. 36, No.3B

REFLECTION "The old, old story"

Norman Wilkins

HYMN

'Tell me the old old story'

Words rewritten by Norman Wilkins. Based on the hymn by Arabella K. Hankey, 1866. Music William H. Doane, 1867

Tell us the old old story
that hope will never die
that good will be our future
as we strive to reach the sky
Tell us that story simply
so we can pass it on
We all will share one future
all people under one Sun
Tell us the old old story (sing line 3 times)
so hope shall never die.

Tell us the story often, for we have need of more Knowing of those who suffer from hunger and from war, Tell us the story often for life for us is safe But hope is what is needed for widow, maimed and waife *Refrain*

Tell us the story clearly
We need to see the truth
amongst the strident voices
denying logic and proof
Let us value our science
for it's God's way to go
There is no good in lying
To lies our faith says "No!"
Refrain

Tell us the story gently
like the whisper of a breeze
The energy of sunlight
a balanced Earth at ease
Tell us the story gently
so hope can fill our soul
to save all life on Earth
our climate calm and cool
Refrain

Tell us the story Siri
The future we may glimpse
When all may be computers
Artificial intelligence
Tell us the robot story
and give us hope that we
may have God's real wisdom
so humans can stay free
Refrain

OFFERING PRAYER

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 <u>briefly</u> from the lectern.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Christian World Service Partner Church World Service Cambodia and their work with communities to deliver food security, health services, savings and credit schemes, and training of volunteers to provide village services. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Peeni Henare and Chris Hipkins party MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Palmerston North - Milson Combined Church (Pres-Meth-Ang) - www.milsoncombined.church.org.nz - St Alban's Presbyterian Church - www.stalbans.org.nz

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

Celebrate the Life we're giv'n'

Words © 2015 Susan Jones. Music: Austria WOV 577

Celebrate the Life we're given grace on grace, where love abounds. Celebrate the world around us blue and green, where birdsong sounds. Celebrate sun's rise and setting 'cross the harbour, over hills. Everything reflects true beauty Love, Joy, Spirit; each heart fills.

We choose to live lives of meaning even when the sky turns grey.
We choose to continue journeying taking brave steps, straight, bi, gay.
We choose wrestling with doubt or danger, trials which shade and haunt our way.
Every moment we're companioned,
Love walks with us, every day.

We companion others grieving for their children, cruelly killed. Hearts reach out in love and comfort to homes where the laughter's stilled. May the love of friend and neighbour soothe the heart and nerve the soul; May our world find good solutions, understanding self our goal.

Change takes us in new directions altering our daily view.
Change of style and life and custom changing me and changing you.
Still the God we know is constant though we find more that is true.
Each day opens fresh horizons adds in truth that's overdue.

BLESSING Norman

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU Judy Dumbleton

Our musician today

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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	Molly Seah, Lloyd Jobson
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Joan Tyler, John Morgan
Coffee/tea	Graham Howell, Katrina Harper, Caroline Glass
Time with the Children	Sue McRae
Readings	Frank & Nola Hanson
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson

On duty Sunday 19 November 2017	
Welcoming	Trish McBride, Jeni Bryant
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Graham Howell, James Cone
Coffee/tea	Jim & Maxine Cunningham, Anne Barrie
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Jennifer Bush-Draumec
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 12 November 10am Gathering led by Norman Wilkins.

Followed by Congregational Conversation.

Wednesday 15 November Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 15 November 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Relishing the Baroque – Music for violin and piano

Thursday 16 November 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 19 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice meeting in Conference room 1 & 2

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

ART AND THE SPIRIT – SERVICE FOR 26 NOVEMBER

Mike Wespel-Rose writes "Thanks to everyone who has thought of contributing or who has offered to contribute to the Art and Spirit service to be held on 26th November. Those that we have received look very interesting, diverse and exciting. Thank you! We now have sufficient contributors to the service. So we cannot accept further contributions. Many thanks to all."

DCM FOOD BANK COLLECTION

DCM urgently need help. They are running very low on the following items: Spaghetti, Biscuits/crackers, tinned fish and washing powder.

DCM'S FOODBANK APPEAL FOR CHRISTMAS NEXT MONTH (SATURDAY 18 NOV)

Graham Howell will be co-ordinating volunteers to help collect at New World Newtown. As always, it would be great if you could assist. Please fill the roster at the back of the church. We hope to roster at least two volunteers per slot, with one two best suited and willing to hand out flyers into as many shoppers' hands as possible. A nice, friendly but forward greeting like "Give to the Foodbank!" is helpful, before people walk straight past you. Any questions please contact Graham graham_hwll@yahoo.co.nz

HELP ALLEVIATE POVERTY, HAVE FUN AND GROW INTER-FAITH CONNECTIONS

Graham Howell writes: "The Benefit Rights group (Benefit Education Service Trust (BEST) in the Hutt is asking for help in what is called an IMPACT from 14 to 17 November. An IMPACT is when local beneficiaries are asked to see if they are getting the correct on-going entitlements from Work and Income and help to obtain one-off assistance. This years IMPACT is in Naenae, possibly the most impoverished suburb in the Wellington Region. The local Catholic Church - St Bernadette's is hosting the volunteers who will be trained into finding out what people are receiving and with experienced advocates match this with needs. Gaps can be filled. Even getting \$20 a week extra, a \$1,000 a year has very significant impacts.

This is an easy way to help. All that is needed is a good ear to listen, learning what questions to ask, a willingness to wait while the 0800 line is answered and knowing how to ask questions of call centre operators. It is also about building inter-faith bridges, having fun, getting good kai and helping to alleviate poverty. As little as a half-day helps. Last year well over 100 beneficiaries from Upper Hutt were helped, and the year before that a South Auckland IMPACT had a huge effect. Please see the poster at Church, speak to Graham Howell or call him on Ph 022-0987330 to find out more."

ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER - FEBRUARY

A reminder for those who help on our Sunday rosters that we will be putting together a new roster for the period from December – February shortly. If you have any dates during this period that you know you will be away please notify the office office@standrews.org.nz . As usual there will be a separate sign up roster for the Sunday 24th morning Service, and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS BAKING FUNDRAISER

Last week's sales were approximately \$700 with more to come in. Another cake stall is planned for December for the public - more details later. If anyone has tiny cardboard boxes suitable to packaging truffles to donation - would be gratefully received. Maxine Cunningham, jimax117@gmail.com.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLEASE BE AWARE

The health and safety of everyone in our community is important. It is good that lots of people remain after the Gathering for morning tea. Here we have a lively mixture of hot drinks, elderly people, children and a number of people in a small space. Please watch for children. We have supplied areas to sit and enjoy your conversation. Please feel free to move chairs in the last couple of rows to make more room. 'All" are welcome, let's keep 'all' safe! Susan

ST ANDREWS TRUST FOR THE SATURDAY OF RELIGION AND SOCIETY (SATRS)

Board Vacancy: The Constitution for the SATRS Trust Board allows for three nominees from the parish.

The chair, Pam Fuller is a Parish member. With the recent retirement of Jim Cunningham we are looking for one or more new members.

The Board meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 5pm February to December to discuss the work of the Board and plan the year's activities.

Additionally, Board members are also expected to attend and assist with events as and when they are able.

The administrative work of the Board is currently supported by Peter Cowley, who is employed by SATRS for a few hours per week.

If you would be interested in learning more about the Board you can contact Pam Fuller on pjfller@gmail.com or if you would be interested in putting your name forward to Parish Council

to join the Board please contact Lynne Dovey on lynne.doveynz@gmail.com.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 2018

Education for Ministry is an adult learning programme designed to link Christian faith with daily life, and to deepen Christian discipleship.

It combines scholarly and systematic Bible study and education in theology and church history, with small group worship, prayer and companionship. What we learn through our study is joined to our own lives and experiences through the process of theological reflection.

EfM is a four-year programme though group members sign up for one year at a time. The EfM programme covers the range of the Christian tradition from the earliest period to the present.

Year 1: The Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament)

Year 2: The New Testament

Year 3: Church History

Year 4: Theology, Ethics, and Inter-faith Encounter

In New Zealand, the EfM programme also includes a unit which focuses on The History of the Church in Aotearoa New Zealand.

EfM groups meet weekly for 2-3 hours and are led by a trained mentor. The curriculum is designed for 36 weekly sessions over a 12 month period and requires 3-5 hours prereading and preparation weekly.

There are groups in Wellington and the Hutt Valley. If you are interested, check out the EfM website http://www.efm.org.nz or speak to/contact to Fiona McDougal fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHANGEMAKERS

Support a refugee-background woman to get a driver licence. ChangeMakers are looking for some remarkable women willing to volunteer their time to take a refugee-background woman for driving practice. Each learner drivers had professional lessons, and now needs practice to get her licence. She will provide the car. Volunteers can choose to practise with a Porirua, Hutt or Wellington driver. For further details please contact Naomi Tcher, ChangeMakers email naomi@crf.org.nz or ph. 801 58912.

SOMETHING NEW TO SAY BY BRONWYN ANGELA WHITE

A collection of liturgy resources for Advent and Christmas in Aotearoa.

Pre-order and pre-pay to help with printing costs! 'Something new to say' is available as an ebook from Amazon, but Bronwyn is getting quotes to have it printed in soft copy. With each pre-paid for copy, you'll also receive either a free copy of her earlier book, 'you who delight me', or a 30% discount off the price of the third book in her "Words of spirit and faith" series. Approximately a cost of around \$20.00 per book, depending on the number of orders.

Please get in touch on email bronz99@live.com or via the 'you who delight me' Facebook page. Bank account details so you can deposit your pre-payment will be sent once printing quotes are in.

VINCENTS ANNUAL GROUP EXHIBITION

16 - 23 November 2017

Opening 5:30pm Thursday 16th November First Floor Gallery, St James Theatre All welcome!

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

Minister	Susan Jones
Parish Council Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Parish Council Clerk	Colma Froggatt
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
Pastoral Convenors	Linda Wilkins and Maxine Cunningham Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Colma Froggatt
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jess McKnight
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Temporary Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Facilities Assistant	Lillian Norman
Centre Assistant	Hilary Penwarden
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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