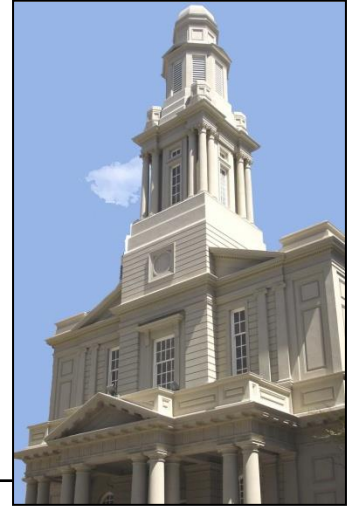


St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua
Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

9 October 2016



Pentecost 21



6th Sunday of Creation
Fauna Sunday

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

Humankind has not woven
the web of life.

***We are but one thread
within it.***

***Whatever we do to the
web, we do to ourselves.***

All things are bound
together.

All things connect

(Chief Seattle)



Let us celebrate life in the Presence we name God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

FFS15 'Fancy Noah Sailing in the Ark'

Words & Music: © Colin Gibson

Fancy Noah sailing in the Ark,
ploughing through the wind and rain and dark;
all of a sudden, feel that bump,
landed safe on Ararat's hump,
welcome to the rainbow world.

Rainbow people, every creature too,
rainbow people, well what a motley crew,
with a snow white dove to guide them,
and an olive leaf their sign,
rainbow people in a rainbow world.

Some folk want a world of this and that,
mostly this, if that is what they're at;
all God's plenty is our store,
open wide the old Ark's door,

step into the rainbow world.
Rainbow people, bridging earth and sky,
rainbow people, God's promise in their eye,
and a shining arch to point them
to the harmony of all things,
rainbow people in a rainbow world.

Some folk want their world all black and white,
some folk like their world just wrong or right,
we like colour, we like hue,
we like me and we like you;
welcome to the rainbow world.
Rainbow people, children of the light,
rainbow people, declaring God's delight
in the multitudinous colours
of a multifarious world,
rainbow people in a rainbow world.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Jennifer Bush-Daumec

I've never seen an elephant, and an elephant's never seen me.
I can't swing like a monkey can from the branch of a tropical tree.
I don't roar like a lion does, but a lion can't read my books;
I'm not as huge as a hippo is, but a hippo hasn't my looks.
Thank you God, Thank you God, for it's very plain to see,
that the animals like the way they are, and I'm glad that I like me.

I've never met an octopus, and no octopus ever met me.
I can't dive like a dolphin does through the waves of an indigo sea.
I can't flop like a flounder can, or sing like a whale in the blue;
I can't leap like a flying fish, but the fish can't think like I do.

Thank you God, thank you God, for it's very plain to see
that the fish all like the way they are, and I'm glad that I like me.

I'm never heard a mocking bird, and a mocking bird's never heard me.
I can't climb like a sky lark climbs, or nest on the top of a tree.
I can't hold what a pelican, but a pelican cannot cry;
I can dream of an aeroplane even though I cannot fly.
Thank you God, thank you God, for it's very plain to see,
that the birds all like the way they are, and I'm glad that I like me.

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

Frances Porter

Gospel

Luke 12:22-31

Contemporary reading

"The Hare and the Tortoise"

From Aesop's Fables

'Little Things' from *Come and See*

By Joy Cowley

RESPONSE

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

PIANO

Nocturne Op.27, No.2 by Chopin
Sue Robinson

REFLECTION

'Interdependence'

Colma Froggatt

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 **briefly** from the lectern.*

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

POEM

'Shaman Sam'

Written and read by Jon Schrader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Wilkins

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,

grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

St Frances of Assisi 12th – 13th century

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Syria and the Syrian Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch and All the East. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Murray McCully and Ian McKelvie and the members of their electorates of East Coast Bays and Rangitikei. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of Johnsonville Uniting Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

'In Our World'

Words: © 2016 Susan Jones. Music © 2016 Vivien Chiu

In our world we find delight

For creation, day and night

Brings us solace, joy;

Spirit grows, refreshes, gleams
as the earth fuels richer dreams
just by being here;

*May this beauty never end
May this solace always be here
May the human race take notice
And show divine compassion.*

Tui, iridescent coat,
Singing from a trembling throat
Crowns New Zealand's bush;
Kereru with mighty wings,
Blue and purple plumage brings
To New Zealand's bush;

*May this beauty never end
May this iridescence stay here
May the human race take notice
And show divine compassion*

Water trickles, rushes, spouts
Deep calm lake drains to river mouth
Power wrested from snow;
Humans, animals and plants
need hydration, need the chance
to refresh and grow;

*May this beauty never end
May this water last for everyone
May the human race take notice
And show divine compassion.*

It's a mystery who made this -
evolution, hand-made care -
multiple ideas.
But it's not a mystery who
Needs to care for green and blue -
We have all been charged

*To make sure this never ends
That this beauty does remain here
That the human race takes notice
And show divine compassion*

BLESSING

May the Spirit of God,
who is above all and in all and through all,
fill you with the knowledge
of God's Wisdom sustaining this planet
and the pulsing of the Christ deep within you.

***We now go in peace,
to serve Christ and love the Earth!***

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill

Our musician today

Jon Schrader, Colma Froggatt

Who worked on planning and presenting this Gathering

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	Norman & Linda Wilkins
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Offering	James Cone, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Graham Howell, Norman & Linda Wilkins
Time with the Children	Jennifer Bush-Daumec
Readings	Frances Porter
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Rainbow Room Helper	Graham Howell

On duty Sunday 16 Oct

Welcoming	David & Pauline Patchett
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Paul Satherley
Coffee/tea	Richard Owen, Jim & Maxine Cunningham
Time with the Adults	
Readings	Colma Froggatt
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Roger Jones

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 9 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones (and others)

Followed by Congregational Conversation

7pm Aroha String Quartet (ticketed concert)

Tuesday 11 October 12.15pm SATRS Lunchtime Lecture | Gretta Vosper

Tuesday 11 October 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 12 October Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 12 October 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Viola Students of the NZSM

Thursday 13 October 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre.

Sunday 16 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice Meeting

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

THANKS FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

Several people has been involved in services through the 6 weeks of the Creation season. This represents considerable time and effort, not to say creative energy which has gone into presenting a Gathering experience for us all. Thank you everyone.

OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS OCT 7 – DEC 9

Illness has meant that Miramar Salvation Army corps has requested David's help for a period. This will mean that he is absent from the Centre Office on Fridays from October 7 to December 9. Usually he will be here Monday-Thursday. Karyn will work full time

on Fridays during this period. If we anticipate an unusually busy day we will be getting in other help. I am sure things will still move smoothly, but if you need to specifically speak to David, look for him Mon-Thurs only.

THE CHURCH YEAR

Explaining the concept of the church year to our website designer was an interesting exercise recently! Others may wonder what it's all about too.

Creation session is an incursion of blue into the otherwise very long season of Pentecost which lasts this year from May to the end of November. Next week the green hangings of the Pentecost season return.

We use red banners for Pentecost Sunday and specials days. Two of these are near – All Saints/All Souls at the end of October and St Andrew's Day at the end of November. It is a toss-up whether to go with red for St Andrew or purple for Advent that day as November 27th is also the first Sunday in Advent.

The purple of Advent continues till the white/gold of Christmastide – the season from Christmas Eve to January 8th.

Liturgical colours are not required in Presbyterian churches. They were used in an illiterate society to inform the congregation about the stage of the year. I simply think they look beautiful! They also enrich our Gatherings for those with more visual acuity.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

TURNING THE CURVE: REFUGEE WOMEN DRIVING PRACTICE VOLUNTEERS

Support a refugee background woman to get a driver licence. We're looking for some women willing to volunteer their time to take a refugee-background woman for driving practice. Each learner driver's had professional lessons, and now needs practice to get her licence. She will provide the car. Training is provided for volunteers. Volunteers can choose to practise with a Porirua, Hutt or Wellington driver. Contact Naomi Tocher, ChangeMakers, naomi@crf.org.nz or Ph 04 801 5812

AWAKEN CONFERENCE NZ – 21 – 24 OCTOBER

This Labour weekend LGBT Christians, families, friends and church leaders come together for a weekend-long LGBT Christian conference. An awesome opportunity to network and hear from NZ and international speakers, on how to create safe spaces for LGBT Christians and related topics.

<https://www.facebook.com/Awaken-Conference-NZ-1736867023227681/>

Anyone wishing to donate towards Conference costs please speak to Susan.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 15TH -19TH NOVEMBER IN DUNEDIN

The Moderator Designate is sending out regular GA updates. You can find the update via this link:

http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/sites/public_files/10_Aug_GA16_Update.pdf



The Off-label Benefits of Religion

Tuesday October 11, 12:15 - 1pm

Gretta Vosper



Precis: The recent work of scientists, anthropologists and sociologists is compiled in this lecture to bring to the fore the exact things that a community needs to be good at in order to do the work of transforming the relationships individuals have with themselves, those around them, the world and the future.

Bio: Gretta Vosper has served West Hill United, a congregation of The United Church of Canada located in Scarborough, Ontario, for over nineteen years.

With the leadership of the congregation, she has transitioned West Hill beyond dogma and created a theologically barrier-free community known around the world for its ground-breaking work. West Hill is featured in the documentary *Godless* and the upcoming film, *Losing My Religion*, by Zoot Media.

In an act of solidarity with secular Bangladeshi bloggers identified as atheists, arrested and threatened with execution, Gretta identified as an atheist in 2013. Recently, the United Church has initiated a review of Gretta's effectiveness as a minister based on her atheistic beliefs.

Gretta is the author of the national bestseller, *With or Without God: Why the Way We Live is More Important than What We Believe*, and *Amen: What Prayer Can Mean in a World Beyond Belief*, an exploration of prayer stripped of supernatural expectations. Additionally, she has published three collections of poetry and continues to write new lyrics to traditional hymns. She is working on a lectionary based worship resource for clergy seeking post-theistic resources. Non-exclusive inspirational liturgical and music resources prepared for use at West Hill - where those who hold traditional beliefs share the pews with others who don't - are used internationally.

Gretta founded the Canadian Centre for Progressive Christianity in 2004. She serves on the Board of The Oasis Network, a growing network of secular communities. In the past she has served as a Director and Officer of The Clergy Project, an international network for clergy who no longer believe. Gretta also serves as a Governor of Centennial College.

For your thoughts and notes...



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	Sandra Kirby
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
Pastoral Convenors	Fiona McDougal, Brian Burrell, Linda Wilkins
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Heather Macfarlane
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
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