



# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

22 September 2019

### Pentecost 15



Season of Creation 4 Flora and Fauna

#### WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Wherever you are on your faith 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

We gather knowing your gardens and forests prosper under your watchful eye

*God may we help you in this continued process of creation* May the trees and flowers and vegetables and weeds prosper

#### God may we help you in this continued process of creation

We gather hoping the home of your animals of our land prosper

*God may we help you in this continued process of creation* We gather knowing your love for all the insects, mammals, reptiles, birds and other species

#### God may we help you in this continued process of creation

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#### Sing Praise to God

Graham

Words ©1989 John Bell and Graham Maule Music: Ellacombe WOV 277

Sing praise to God on mountain tops And in the earth's lowest places, From blue lagoon to polar waste, From ocean to oasis, No random rock produced this world, But God's own will and wonder Thus hills rejoice and valleys sing And clouds concur with thunder.

Sing praise to God where grasses grow And flowers display their beauty, Where nature weaves her myriad web Through love as much as duty. The seasons in their cycle speak Of earth's complete provision. Let nothing mock inherent good, Nor treat it with derision. Sing praise to God where fishes swim, And birds fly in formation, Where animals of every kind Diversify creation. All life that finds its home on earth, Is meant to be respected. Let nothing threaten, for base ends, What God through grace perfected.

Sing praise to God where human-kind Its majesty embraces, Where different races, creed and tongues, Distinguish different faces, God's image in each child of earth Shall never pale or perish So treat with love each human soul, And thus God's goodness cherish

#### WELCOME

Fiona

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora*.

#### PRAYER

Season of Creation 2019 Prayer

### Creator of Life,

The Earth is full of Your creatures, and by Your wisdom you made them all.

At Your word, the Earth brought forth plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit, the waters teemed with swarms of living creatures of every kind, and world was filled with every kind of winged bird, walking animal, and creatures that creep upon the ground.

Mountains, plains, rocks, and rivers shelter diverse communities, and through the changing seasons Your Spirit renews cycles of life.

During this Season of Creation, open our eyes to see the precious diversity that is all around us. Enlighten our minds to appreciate the delicate balance maintained by each creature. Inspire us to conserve the precious habitats that nurture this web of life.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ., Amen

#### LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

#### **Dolphins and the Good Fish Guide**

#### TIME WITH CHILDREN

#### 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

**Hebrew Bible** 

Psalm 104 selected verses. The Message (MSG)

#### 1st Contemporary reading

Extracts from **"God in Drag: Doing eco-justice** from the Earth's point of view" by *Kristal Parks* 

from "Order of the Sacred Earth: An intergenerational vision of love and action" by Matthew Fox, Skylar Wilson, Jennifer Listug

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Contemporary reading

https://teara.govt.nz/en/te-waonui-a-tane-forest-mythology/print

It was Tāne who successfully separated Ranginui and Papatūānuku, and created Te Ao Mārama – the world of light.

Trees in the forest are seen as Tāne-mahuta, rising to separate earth and sky. Tāne, the tree, holds the sky aloft, bringing light into the world. The widespread felling of forests in New Zealand in the 19th and 20th centuries was calamitous to the traditional world view of tribes that lived in the forest – it was like the sky rejoining the earth, and the world returning to darkness. The felling of forests also went against traditional models of behaviour. The word 'tika' means erect, upright and correct – as a tree is upright and erect. It informs the concepts of tikanga – correct behaviour or action – and whakatika, which means to arise. Correct behaviours arise from within a person, as a tree rises from the ground.

Kezia

Pat

Pat

Tane-Mahuta

#### RESPONSE

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

#### **POWER POINT PRESENTATION**

"Our interaction with flora and fauna" by Norman Wilkins (in absentia!) (Music "Fragile" by Sting played by the Los Angeles guitar quartet)

#### HYMN

#### 'In our word we find delight'

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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.

Kauri reaches to the light Strong and powerful, full of might Giant of the trees; Delicate, the orchid climbs Over branches, green moss-lined Swaying in the breeze; *May this beauty never end May this greenness 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

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 shows divine compassion

#### POETRY AND MUSIC

5 Poems by Trish McBride Music Gareth Farr "Waipoua" played by NZSO about Waipoua Forest and the giant kauri **Tane Mahuta** 

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

God, our Creator, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and our concern for those in need, including our fellow creatures and plant life on this Earth. 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, 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

#### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Solomon Islands and the Christian World Service funded women's programme of the Lauru Land Conference of Tribal Communities, which seeks to improve women's role in decisionmaking and sustainable living. We remember the detainees on Manus and Nauru Islands yearning for their cases to be resolved. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Phil Twyford (Te Atatu electorate) and Louise Upston (Taupo electorate). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Ronan's Presbyterian Church, Eastbourne.

#### Trish

Fiona

#### Bronwyn

#### Look in Wonder

HYMN

Words ©2008 Shirley Erena Murray Tune: Beach Spring CH4 252 attrib. BW White (1800-79)

Look in wonder, hold in honour all the beauty of the earth! World, surrender to her splendour: God's own blessing for her birth; sense and savour every colour, every season, sun to star, see the measure of this treasure, all we nurture, all we mar.

Every creature by its nature shares the cycle, life's design, every human, man and woman joins the circle, moves the line; look in horror, look in anger-these are lifestreams we destroy! Tree and river gone forever, bird and flower dead to joy.

In this garden, Eve and Adam still are given time and place, ours to cherish, our to nourish, ocean, water, land and space; God, unnerve us, God, forgive us: how we plunder, waster and war! Give new meaning to earth's greening, that the beauty thrives once more.

#### BLESSING

#### Fionnaigh

We go out into the suffering earth, where forests are burning, and species are disappearing.

May the God of creative energy lead and inspire us to restore and heal ecosystems.

We go out into the glorious earth, where kowhai is blossoming and tui are singing.

May the spirit fill us with hope and wonder.

We go out into the community of earth, this interconnected web. *May the way of Christ guide us to serve and love all living things.* 

#### **SUNG AMEN**

#### Come all you people

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#### THANK YOU

**David Dobson** 

Our Musician today

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#### AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website. http://www.standrews.org.nz/category/sunday-gathering

Wellington City Council now charges for weekend parking on the street. As well as that, there is a two hour parking limit. If you have parked on the street initially and are staying for an after-church activity, it may be possible to move your car into the St Andrew's/Braemar car park but please be careful that you do not block anyone in.

#### 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.

#### **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

### ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### SUNDAY GATHERINGS AT ST ANDREW'S IN SEPTEMBER September: Season of Creation

22 September 'Flora and Fauna Sunday' led by Fiona McDougal and team.

29 September 'Stories from Presbyterian Support.'

#### **October: Being Church**

The 6-part series on the Pillars undergirding St Andrew's' life will recommence on October 6, 13 and 20. (Note slight change of dates) October 27 'What does being a Progressive Church mean?'

#### INTERGENERATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE MARCH

This March will happen **Friday 27 September**. Start point is 11am, Civic Square for a 11.50 departure for Parliament. Margaret Rushbrook would like a banner organiser and carrier(s)

If anyone is able to help in this way. Please email Margaret on mrushbrook@xtra.co.nz

#### DAYLIGHT SAVING

Daylight saving starts next **Sunday, 29 September**: you will have to put your clocks forward 1 hour to get to church on time.

#### SPIRITUAL PRACTICES WEEKEND WORKSHOP 15th -17th November

Friday 7pm-9pm, Saturday 10am-12 and 130pm-4pm, and Sunday 1-3pm. "Lectio Divina literally "sacred reading", is an ancient Christian contemplative prayer practice enjoying a revival among laypeople.... a practice of being present to each moment in a heart-centered way". (CV Paintner). If you are interested in coming along or want to find out more, please contact Fiona McDougal fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com

#### **KEEPING THE CHURCH HEALTHY AND SAFE**

In recent months a lot of work has been done sorting cupboards. Sometimes we have changed where goods are stored. Please return objects and especially hazardous substances to where you found them, even if it is a strange and new location for you. If you notice anything unsafe around the buildings please let the Office know. Incident reporting forms are available in the foyer, please use them if anything happens so we can follow up and eliminate or minimise risks.

### WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### **PEACE GATHERING**

To acknowledge United Nations Day of Peace **(today) Sunday 22 September** 5pm. Shared tea to follow. Kapiti Uniting Parish, Raumati Church, 10 Weka Road, Raumati Beach.

#### NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL

Presented by the Zimbelstern Foundation, the New Zealand International Organ Festival kicks off **(today) Sunday September 22nd** with a concert by Italian Organist, Sergio Orabona. He will be playing music by Guilmant, Lefébure-Wély. Bossi and Debussy. The following Sunday the concert will be performed by New Zealand Organist Douglas Mews. Concerts are at St Mary of the Angels in Boulcott Street Wellington, commencing at 2.00pm and entry is free.

#### DCM 50TH BIRTHDAY PHOTO EXHIBITION

Mon-Sat 10am-4pm until 28 September 2019 Photospace Gallery, 1st floor, 37 Courtenay Place, Wellington

#### **RAINBOW WELLINGTON Spring Dinner**

Saturday 28 September 2019, 6.30pm café Pasha Turkish Restaurant/BYO, www.cafepasha.co.nz 62 Dixon Street, Te Aro Wellington, Experience authentic Turkish food served as a banquet Arrive 6.30PM for pre-dinner drinks (BYO wine possible) starters served 7.00PM followed by main course and desert Vegetarian and gluten free option available if requested when you book. Cost: \$40 for Rainbow Wellington Financial members \$50 for Non-Members Please reserve your place by making an online payment to: Rainbow Wellington, Bank Account 03-0566-0164688-000. In the Payee information please include your name and reference "Pasha" or pay cash at RW drinks.

#### **OCTOBER 2019 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – NORTHLAND KIDZ CLUB**

Every day is a trip day with our two-week holiday programme. \$45 per child per day (third child onwards :\$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m each day. For details, check out our website (<u>www.nkc.org.nz</u>), or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail (<u>nkc.jan@gmail.com</u>).

#### PSC'S (Presbyterian Support) 110<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

5pm Monday 21 October 2019 at Presbyterian Support Central, 3-5 George Street, Thorndon, Wellington.

#### 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	Brian and Lynette Burrell
Sound	Sue Hirst
Offering	James Cone, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Pam Fuller, Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Time with the Children	Patricia Booth
Readings	Patricia Booth
Prayers of the People	Bronwyn White
Musician	David Dobson
Rainbow Room Helper	Roger Jones

On duty Sunday 29 September	
Welcoming	Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Sound	Jennifer Bush
Offering	Catriona Cairns, John Morgan
Coffee/tea	Richard Keller, Roger Jones, Janet Horncy
Time with the Children	Frank Cook
Readings	Frances Porter
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby
Musician	Bruce Cash
Rainbow Room Helper	Pam Fuller

#### This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 22 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal
Followed by Followed by Social Justice meeting in Conference room 3
Tuesday 24 September 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre
Wednesday 25 September Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre
Wednesday 25 September 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - NZSM String Ensemble –
conductor Martin Risely, Haydn cello concerto in C, Haydn violin concerto in G and Michael Kimber
Variations for viola and strings on a polish folk song.
Sunday 29 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

### **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
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Convenors	Linda Wilkins, Maxine Cunningham, Brian Burrell and Pat Booth
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Faith in Action Co-ordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jules Collinson
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistants	Julia Caulfield and Nick Lee
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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