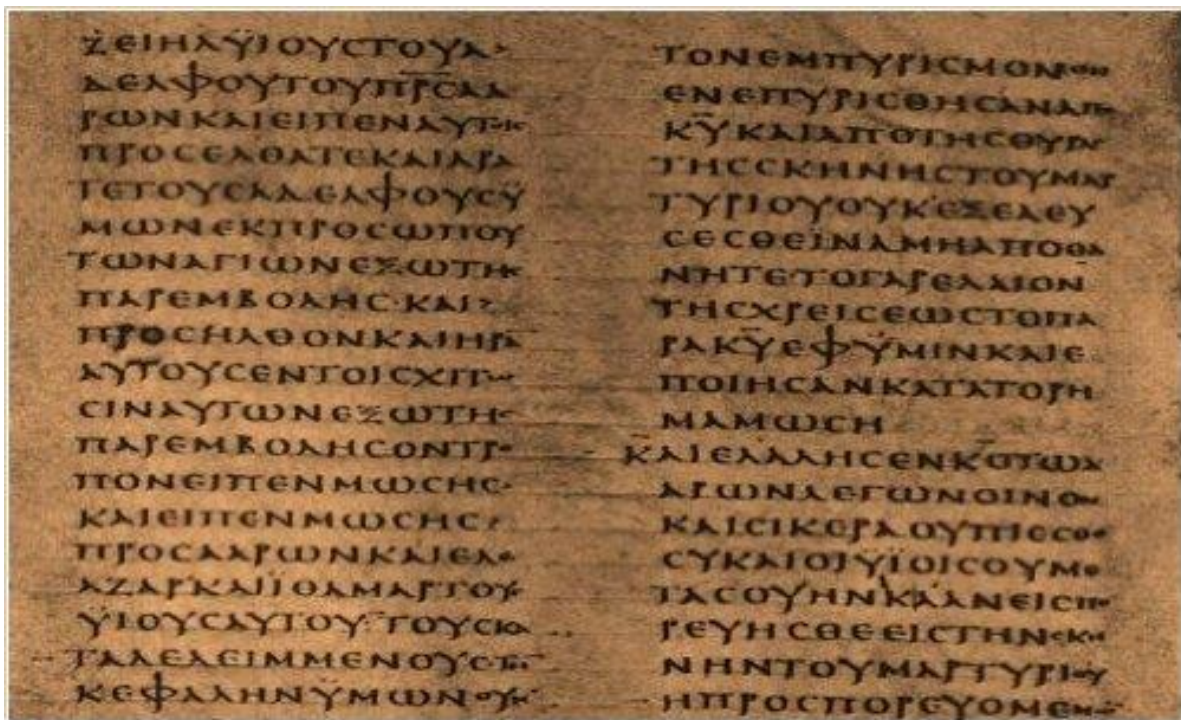


ORDER OF SERVICE

17 October 2021

Pentecost 21



PART OF THE GREEK TEXT OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

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***, and 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.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

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

Today's service is led by Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come with open hearts and minds to hear the voice of the sacred:
singing through our songs;
breathing the word into our silences;
challenging us in our speaking and listening;
and calling people down through the ages.
Let us prepare for worship in silence.

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WOV 335 'We limit not the truth of God'

Words: George Rawson (1807-89)(alt.), Music: Ellacombe

1. We limit not the truth of God, to our poor reach of mind –
by notions of our day and sect – crude partial and confined.
No, let a new and better hope, within our hearts be stirred.
For God hath yet more light and truth, to break forth from the Word.
2. Who dares to bind to one's own sense, the oracles of heaven
for all the nations, tongues, and climes, and all the ages given?
That universe, how much unknown! That ocean unexplored.
For God hath yet more light and truth, to break forth from the Word.
3. Eternal God, Incarnate Word, Spirit of flame and dove,
enlarge, expand all living souls, to comprehend your love;
and help us all to seek your will, with wiser powers conferred .
O God, grant yet more light and truth, to break forth from the word.

(George Rawson (1807-1889) wrote this hymn in the 1850's based on the final words Pastor John Robinson gave to the Pilgrims before they journeyed to the New World. It inspired the name of "More Light Presbyterians," the organisation that advocates for the full inclusion of LGBT people in the Presbyterian Church in the USA)

WELCOME

E te whanau e Te Karaiti
nga mihi aroha ki a tatou katoa
Kia ora tātou.

GATHERING

In myth and poem and parable,
in historical chronicle and friendly letter,
in lament, and exultation, and oracle,
in prophetic warning and gospel invitation,
the Bible has served as a vehicle
for the creative word of God
down through the ages.

***We are called today
to find our place in this history of salvation,
letting our stories find their place in the wider story,
and re-mem-bering and re-telling the old stories
for this and future generations.***

PRAYER

JESUS' PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase

***Eternal Spirit
Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker,
source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
loving God, in whom is heaven:
the hallowing of your name
echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed
by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done
by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.***

*In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test,
strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory
of the power that is love, now and for ever.
Amen.*

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cameron Smart

BLESSING THE CHILDREN *(All stand)*

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

We bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

*Traditionally we shake hands to pass the peace and say "peace be with you." Now that COVID-19 is
here we ask that you pass the peace without shaking hands.*

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Gavin Watson

Introduction

Reflection 1

Reading

Galatians: 3: 23-29

All are one in Christ

Reflection2

Reading

1 Corinthians 13

(Translation by J B Phillips)

**The love of which I speak is slow to lose patience—
it looks for a way of being constructive.
It is not possessive:
it is neither anxious to impress
nor does it cherish inflated ideas of its own importance.
Love has good manners
and does not pursue selfish advantage.
It is not touchy.
It does not keep account of evil**

or gloat over the wickedness of other people.
On the contrary, it is glad when truth prevails.
Love knows no limit to its endurance,
no end to its trust,
no fading of its hope;
it can outlast anything.
It is, in fact, the one thing that still stands
when all else has fallen.

Reflection 3

Reading

Luke 4: 14-21

Jesus reads from the Prophet Isaiah

HYMN

'Who is this man?'

Words: Mary Pearson

Music: Londonderry Air (Trad) CH4 729

1. Who is this man who gathered people to him
and touched their lives along each dusty way,
who spoke to all with passion and with peacefulness
and valued all their ordinary days?
Who is this man who at the day's long ending,
would draw apart to wait on God and pray?
Who, in the mystery that knows no ending,
would find God's wisdom and would know God's words to say?
2. Who is this man who gave to women dignity
in partnership of worth and equal grace?
Who listened to the stories that they told him,
and honoured each whatever was their place;
who let them choose to come and join his company
and learned with them God's love for every race,
who showed to each the courage of their nature
to care and tend each lonely and each suffering face?
3. Who is this man who spoke to men of gentleness,
showed them all the children at his side;
who taught of love and justice for all people,
who took a towel and washed away their pride?
In him they saw the strength of truth and mercy,
and how he trusted God to be his guide,

knew how he led them through misunderstanding,
and then forgave them when they ran away to hide.

4. Who is this man who calls us now to follow,
a shadow presence asking us to be
companions on the way through this life journey,
to live in truth, to set our tired world free?
So, let us find each other now in partnership,
with ears to hear and eyes awake to see,
that we might grow in grace and understanding,
and walk beside that man who comes from Galilee.

RESPONSE

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

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts' verse 3

Words © 1992 Shirley Erena Murray, (Admin. by Hope Publishing Company)

Music: ©1992 Colin Gibson Hope Publishing Co.

Take whatever I can offer –
gifts that I have yet to find,
skills that I am slow to sharpen,
talents of the heart and mind,
things made beautiful for others
in the place where I must be:
take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me.

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, please move to the front row, ready
to speak **briefly** from the lectern.

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

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Kenya and the Methodist Church in Kenya. We hold all refugees in our hearts. We pray in particular for those detained for many years in Papua New Guinea & Nauru. We give thanks for progress that has been made and pray that their calls for justice might yet find a compassionate response. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Damien Smith and Hon Jan Tinetti, list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Paul's and St Mark's Presbyterian Church, Whanganui.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

*Renew your people, God,
And renew our life in this place.
Give us a new spirit of unity
with all who follow the Way of Jesus
and new bonds of love
with people of other faiths.*

*Bless the city in which we live
that it may be a place
where honest dealing,
good government,
the desire for beauty,
and the care for others flourish.*

*Bless this church
that what we know of your will
may become what we do,
and what we believe
the strong impulse
of our worship and work.
Amen*

HYMN

WOV 526ii 'O Perfect Love'

Words: Mary Pearson

1. Word of God's love, with longing hearts we listen,
eager to hear of grace when grace is spent,
seeking to understand in all our being,
the truth in which Christ's life for all was sent.
2. Word of God's hope, when life seems dark and empty,
bruised by the powerlessness which clouds our days,
help us to see with ever clearer vision,
the light and wisdom of the Christ trod way.
3. Word of God's joy, we yearn to hear your music
through storms of anger, fear and silent pain,
knowing that though there is no easy answer
in Christ life finds its harmony again.
4. Word of our God, you call us to each other,
breaking down walls of pride and selfish gain,
and, as we reach to bear each other's burdens,
we find love, hope and joy alive again.

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Peter Franklin
our musician today

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acknowledged.

AUDIO REFLECTIONS



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

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.

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.

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

RESOURCES TO SUPPORT US DURING THE PANDEMIC

Trish McBride has offered this resource:

We have all had different life and faith journeys, This sheet is offered as a personal reflection tool. Divide your age by 10, and enter those intervals along the circles eg 70 = 7,14,21 etc. In your own time note places, relationships, occupations and events along above the timeline. Then do the same for your images of God and church. Note and reflect on any connections. You may like to share your journey with someone else.

<https://www.standrews.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Faith-Journey.pdf>

LECTIO GROUP

Our regular monthly lectio group meets on Tuesday 19th at 7pm in the St Andrews Centre. We spend some time in silent meditation, then contemplate a poem or passage and share a little of our response as desired. Guidance is available for new people and all are invited to join us. Please contact Fiona for more information

fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com

FINISHED A LOAF OF BREAD OR BOTTLE OF MILK?!!!

Please save the bread bag and the clip/tie and milk bottle tops. The bags are used at the Compassion Soup Kitchen for "takeaway" lunches and the tags and milk bottle tops get recycled. Please fold the bags and pack separately. There is a collection box on the North Vestry Table. Thanks- Kath, Trish and Brian.

SUPPORT FOR DCM (DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY MINISTRY)

As temperatures fall our thoughts turn to the growing number in our city who find it hard to keep warm and fed, especially during the winter months. We are grateful for the many services provided by the DCM and one way we can offer our support is to FILL the food baskets at the back of the church each Sunday. They are collected every Monday by a DCM worker.

Suggested items:

Tinned - soup, fish, baked beans, stews and fruit

Pasta and curry sauces

Jam, Honey Marmite/Vegemite and peanut butter

Porridge

Biscuits and muesli bars

Instant coffee and tea bags

Soap, toilet paper, toothpaste and tooth brushes

(Please no fresh fruit/vegetables)

DCM has been working in the city of Wellington since 1969 with a mission to “focus on the needs of, and to help empower those marginalised in the city, with a current focus on people experiencing homelessness, or at risk of homelessness.”

For other ways to support the work of the DCM visit <https://www.dcm.org.nz>

Brian Burrell

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	Lois Robertson, Michael Parker
Sound	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Kath Kerr, Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Richard Owen, Marilyn Wallace
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Gavin Watson
Prayers of the People	Catriona Cairns
Rainbow Room Helper	Ellen Murray
Library	Gillian Feist
Musician	Peter Franklin

On duty Sunday 24th October

Welcoming	Trish McBride, Jeni Bryant
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cameron Smart
Offering	John Morgan, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Sally Gray
Time with the Children	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Valerie Rhodes
Prayers of the People	Ken Irwin
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson
Library	Trish McBride
Musician	Bruce Cash

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 17 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham followed by congregational conversation.

Wednesday 20 October:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm - Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - Lockdown Quartet with Donald Maurice and Rupa Maitra

Thursday 21 October – Lunchtime Concert - Duo Tapas – Owen Moriarty (guitar) and Rupa Maitra (violin)

Sunday 24 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal followed by Social Justice

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

1st Sunday Communion service followed by Exploring Faith.

2nd Sunday Congregational Brunch on even months Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec

3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation

4th Sunday Social Justice

5th Sunday if there is one - nothing planned

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

Interim Moderator	Rev. Reg Weeks
Supply Minister	Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham
Parish Council Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Care Team	Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Maxine Cunningham, Katrina Harper, Lois Robertson
Church Music Coordinator	Mark Stamper
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Faith in Action Co-ordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Riah Tahana-Dawson
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistant(s)	Tom Crichton and Hayes Francis
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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Sign-in. Stop the virus.

