



Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

24 July 2022

Pentecost 7



WHO, IF THE CHILD ASKS FOR AN EGG, WILL GIVE A SCORPION?

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 Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Out of nothingness we came from birth into life:

with the Spirit of God within us.

From the life of God the universe unfolded into being:

with the Spirit of God within it.

From the heart of God creation goes on until the end of time:

with the Spirit of God within it and our spirit within it.

Let us embrace the God who enfolds us.

We delight in the sacred within and around us.

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Seek ye first the heart of God'

Words: Luke 11:1-13 Music © 1972 Karen Lafferty, © 1972 CCCM Music (Admin. by SHOUT! Music Publishing Australia) 3 verses

- 1. Seek ye first the heart of God and God's righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia
- 2. Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and you shall find, knock and the door shall be opened to you. Allelu, alleluia.
- 3. You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia.

GATHERING

In the peace, in the presence, in the power,

let us sense the sacred. Let us celebrate life.

WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa. *Kia ora tātou*.

Talofa lava.

Talofa

PRAYER

Gracious God,
we may only see our small corner of this earth.
You will see the whole expanse of countless universes,
yet we are called to bring our prayers
not only for ourselves,
but for those around us.

In a world fraught with fear and violence and greed, we pray that darkness is driven out by the light of compassion, of open-handedness, and of peace. Let these not be mere words we pray, but words we put into action through our support of causes and charities and individuals who make it their mission to be the light-bearers in every darksome place.

We pray today for the healers who practise their gentleness in every hurt place of heart and soul and body. Where the encouraging word, and the unflinching compassion brings hope like a cleansing flame into every wound. Amen

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

The rainbow candle represents the inclusive nature of our church where all are welcome, and also celebrates our children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Graham Howell

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

Anna Smith

Hebrew Bible Hosea 1:2-10

Gospel/New Testament

Luke 11:1-13

Contemporary reading

"The Lord"

Wellsprings by Anthony De Mello

I think of the impact Jesus Christ has had on human history...And on my life...

Then I conduct a dialogue with him:

I tell him what it is about him that appeals to me the most... and listen to what he says in reply...

I tell him which of his words have had the greatest impact on me... and how those words have influenced my life...

His disciples sometimes speak of his presence in their lives. I ponder on the meaning that word "presence" has for me... In what way, if at all, has he been present in my past...and in my life today?...

He indicated he was sent to teach us how to love.

What kind of love has Jesus taught me?... If I am a loving person, to what extent is he responsible?...

He also claimed he was sent to bring liberation to the lives of people.

Has this been my experience?... Or have I, on the contrary, felt constricted and oppressed by his demands... and teachings?... Or have I experienced both, oppression and liberation simultaneously?... In what specific areas?...

Before I end my dialogue I ask myself, what impact Jesus had on yesterday...

And I tell him what I think his influence will be on what I think and say and do today...

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

Translation

1. Tama ngākau marie, Tama a t'Atua, So tēnei tonu mātou, arohaina mai.

2. Murua ra ngā hara: wetekina mai ēnei here kino, whakararu nei.

Takahia ki raro, tau e kino ai; kei pa kaha tonu ko ngā mahi hē.

4. Homai he aroha, Mou i mate nei, tēnei ra, e Ihu, tiakina e koe.

5. Tēnei arahina, a tutuki noa: puta i te pōuri, whiwhi hari nui.

WOV 633 'Tama ngakau marie'

Traditional Maori hymn and melody

Son of a peaceful heart, Son of God, here we are, love us.

Take away our sins: undo these evil ties which bind us.

Trample under foot, whatever is evil, lest the power remain of the evil deeds.

Give us love for you who died This day, Jesus, you lead us.

This is the pathway to the end: through the darkness to receive great joy.

Repeat verse 1

HYMN

AA 132 'Tell my people I love them' verses 1, 2, 4 and 5.

Words: ©Leonard Barlotti, vss 1 Susan Jones, v 2 Guy Jansen vss 3 Music: Leonard Barlotti aar. Jan Harrington and Guy Jansen ©1972 Gospel Publishing House

Tell my people I love them, tell my people that I care. When they feel far away from me, tell my people I am there

- Tell my people where-e'er they go to claim my risen power.
 My peace and joy and love is for them hour by hour.
 Tell my people...
- 2. Tell my people who grieve and mourn to hold the rainbow high, live for a bright new world where no more lovers die.

 Tell my people...
- 3. Tell my people throughout the world to strive for peace today, show love for enemies, be servants of the Way.

 Tell my people...

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dorothy McRae-McMahon

God, our God, is the Creator, who forms new things from nothing, even our emptiness.
God, our God, is the Christ, who would rather die than leave us without grace, who sits with sinners and walks with the searching, who brings hope and healing from as little as a touch of his robe.
Christ's arms stretch out to embrace us all and to carry us beyond where we thought we could go in costly risen life.

God, our God, is the Holy Spirit, giver of the gifts we need, discovered in surprising places, always moving towards us in healing, comfort and love.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN OFFERING HYMN

'Give thanks for life'

Words © Shirley Murray (AA 45)

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams (CH4 736&WOV 384)

Give thanks for life, the measure of our days; mortal, we pass through beauty that decays, yet sing to God our hope, our love, our praise. Alleluia! Alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER

Faithful God, you ask us to be faithful people.

In this community, you ask us to be people of justice. In this community, you ask us to be people of mercy. In this community, you ask us to be people of peace. Be with us as we try to be faithful in large ways and in small ways so your eternal community may come in every way. 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.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Singapore and the National Council of Churches of Singapore. 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 Andrew Bayly (Port Waikato) and Glen Bennett (New Plymouth). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Bell Block/Lepperton Co-operating Church, New Plymouth.

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

FFS 57 'Song of faith that sings forever' vs 1-3

Words: Shirley Murray © Hope Publishing Co. 1999 Music: Abbeyfield Colin Gibson © Hope Publishing co. 1999

- 1. Song of faith that sings forever through God's people, ages long, Word that holds the world together when our hearts take up the song; always, always, somewhere sounding, though the source we do not see, counterpoint to all despairing, it is hope that sets the key.
- Song of faith in exaltation,
 rising through the vaults of prayer,
 tune of simple celebration
 offered up in open air.
 Song in chapel and cathedral,
 descant to our daily tone,
 song from sickbed or in prison,
 faith must often sing alone.
- 3. And when life would overwhelm us, when there seems no song to sing, hear the constant voice of courage out of fear and suffering:
 all who've loved and trusted Jesus, all who lift us to be strong, endless, endless are the voices of the faith that makes the song.

SUNG BLESSING

May the God of new beginnings, start with you and me. May the God of continuing story, speak through you and me. May the God of infinite wisdom, shine in you and me, May the God of safe homecomings welcome you and me.

Going Out:

Go seeking healing for yourselves and the world. We will go boldly, and ask. Go, be courageous and touch the world with God's love. We will go boldly, and risk.

Go, rejoice in the wholeness that is the power of God.

We will go boldly, and give thanks.

Go in peace and bring peace to others.

We will go boldly, and live in peace.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU Judy Dumbleton

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

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 nember, 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 has introduced a COVID response package which includes some temporary changes to street parking in the city. On Saturday and Sunday the time limit for most metered parks has been extended to 180 minutes, 8am-8pm. 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

COVER AND MASK WEARING

A reminder to all attending our Sunday services, and any event, at St Andrew's on The Terrace to please wear a mask.

As the daily COVID cases have increased these last few weeks we are reminded about the importance of mask wearing by the Ministry of Health and other public health experts.

Mask wearing plus vaccination are the two things we can individually do to help protect the community.

While mask wearing at the Orange traffic light setting is not mandated by the Government, we at St Andrew's have been very vigilant about following public health advice for the entire duration of the pandemic and we intend to continue with this approach as a health and safety measure.

A reminder too to wear your mask over your nose and our mouth. Pull the top of the mask up to cover your nose and the bottom down so that it tucks under your chin to cover your mouth.

JULY SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION GROUP

Is housing more than the roof over your head? The July Social Justice Education Group will return to the theme the DCM Director approached in 2021. No invited guest this time.

I hope we can have a discussion among ourselves about what housing is, what our home is. What we as a society, community, state and as individuals can do to enhance how we meet the needs of those in need. How those in need are involved, being neighbourly. How do we provide schools, parks, medical care, transport, places of worship for those we provide Emergency Housing, social housing, transition housing for.

Graham Howell, Convenor

PIECE FROM THE WADESTOWN NEWSLETTER

Cuppa n' Chat meet every Wednesday morning in the Rainbow Room. Last Wednesday Gillian shared this piece from the Wadestown's newsletter – Consider this remarkable fact:

In the sermon on the Mount there is not a single word about what to believe. Only words about what to do and how to be.

By the time the Nicene Creed is written only 3 centuries later there is not a single word in it about what to do and how to be -

only words about what to believe.

From the book "Saving Jesus from the Church" written by Robin Meyers. Gillian brought along her copy of the book and we are passing it around the group to read. Lois Robertson

WE ARE ALL EQUALLY HUMAN

Conversations in a coffee shop, Book 2, by Susan Jones. A copy of this book is now in our parish library. The book aims to empathise with and educate both gay and straight, inside and outside organised religion. It is intended to resource the church in its ongoing discussions about members of the rainbow community. The importance of us all recognising each other as equally human whatever our orientation is re-affirmed here. Some of you are wondering how to order the book for yourself. Contact Susan at jones.rs@xtra.co.nz Cost per copy is \$25 plus \$5.60 postage (for 1-3 books). On receipt of emailed orders with a shipping address, Susan will send costs & her banking details. BTW, she benefits most by you ordering your copies directly from her.

Susan's first book, Wherever You are, You are on the Journey – Conversations in a coffee shop, Book 1, can be ordered the same way.

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

Please save the bread bag and the clip (plastic only)/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)

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

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

RELIGIOUS STUDIES 50TH ANNIVERSARY PUBLIC LECTURE + CELEBRATION

Kia ora all and thank you for your support to SATRS over the years.

I've received this invitation which Geoff Troughton has asked that I share with you, Thanks to a great deal of work by Jan Rivers the SATRS archives have made it down to Knox well packed and indexed and gratefully received by the staff there, Pam Fuller

I am delighted to invite you as friends of the Programme to an evening celebrating 50 years of Religious Studies at Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington. The event will take place on **Wednesday 27 July at 6pm** in the Hunter Council Chamber at the Kelburn Campus.

We will begin with a public lecture by Emeritus Professor Paul Morris on 'Religion and Government in Aotearoa New Zealand.' Paul was Professor in Religious Studies from 1994 to 2018 and will be known to many of you.

Responding to Paul's provocations, Fa'anānā Efeso Collins (Councillor on Auckland Council), Māmari Stephens (Reader in Law) and Kate Hunter (Professor of History) will open up a broader conversation on a topic urgently in need of a fresh and imaginative reassessment.

At 7:30pm we will cut a celebratory cake. There will be plenty of food and drink to sustain an evening of good conversation and reminiscence.

Register before 14 July at this link [https://bit.ly/3kiVL3a]. You can also register at the same link to watch the lecture afterwards.

The Religious Studies Programme greatly looks forward to celebrating this notable milestone with you.

Ngā mihi nui, A/Prof Geoff Troughton

Programme Director, Religious Studies, School of Social and Cultural Studies

WELLINGTON WINTER LECTURES IN SCIENCE AND CHRISTIAN FAITH

Presented by New Zealand Christians in Science (NZCIS)

The relationship of contemporary science and faith can be both intriguing and challenging – especially in an Age of Misinformation.

You are invited to an exciting day of lectures and discussion on topics related to Physics and Ethics.

Saturday August 6, 9am to 3pm

at St Johns Presbyterian Church, Willis St, Wellington

Cost is just \$10 and that includes lunch!

Science and Faith in an Age of Misinformation

Speakers:

Prof. Jeff Tallon, 'Seeing the Invisible – black holes, the universe and our place in it' Dr. Greg Liston, 'Spirit, Time and Transformation'

Dr. Gray Manicom, 'What the Mysteries of Mathematics Reveal About the Creator'

Plus the NZCIS director Nicola Hoggard-Creegan will be there, speaking on the importance of ethical reflection, 'From Hiroshima to Recombinant DNA'.

To register, go to the NZCIS website or visit *Eventbrite* and search "Science and Faith in an Age of Misinformation", Facebook event https://fb.me/e/3CgwX8RYH.

SEA OF FAITH IN AUSTRALIA (SoFiA) - Melbourne.

Greetings. SOFiA Victoria have sent through their newsletter of events. I have removed the physical meeting and left these Zoom meetings if anyone wishes to participate. Remember they are 2 hours behind us in time so they start 4pm in our time. Cheers, Pete Cowley Online presentation: Saturday 23 July 2022, 2pm to 4pm.

"Speculations About Spiritual Reality."

Dr. Nicholas Coleman (<u>Platonic Zen</u>) will introduce the topic and lead the discussion. Zoom

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86098470135?pwd=j78fdCgKxZeoDZqznAKqGnt3TwX8L8.

Meeting ID: 860 9847 0135 - - Passcode: 166774

~ SoFiA promotes the open exploration of religion, spirituality and the search for meaning ~ All viewpoints welcome. Enquiries: sofmelb@yahoo.com.au - SOFiA Website.

Facebook: 'Sofiatalk' (Your opinions would be appreciated in their ongoing discussions). Future Online Topics:

27 Aug. - "Why Buddhism Beckons." - Greg Spearritt (SOFiA Network).

24 Sept. - "Speaking of Love: Meaning and Phenomenology of the Human." - Yarkov Halik.

22 Oct. - To be announced.

26 Nov. - "An Analysis of Don Cupitt's Philosophy." - Dr. John Quilter (Australian Catholic University).

The following event might also be of interest:

EXISTENTIALIST SOCIETY 'MEETUP' -

Melbourne, Australia. Saturday 16 July 2022, 2pm to 4pm.

Online monthly Meetup presentation on the **History of Religion**.

"The Battle of Armageddon, 609 BC."

This month's topic will be introduced by David Miller, followed by discussion.

Zoom

link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86159904250 pwd=Mv-z95VduOfFvCot14pqO-nCrbTDaW.1

Meeting ID: 861 5990 4250 - - Passcode:

568495

All viewpoints welcome. Enquiries:

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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 | |
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| Welcoming | Jeni Bryant, Sandra Kirby |
| Sound and Laptop | Sue Hirst |
| Offering | Bridget Martin, Fiona McDougal |
| Coffee/tea | Jenny and Gavin Watson, Lois Robertson |
| Time with the Children | Graham Howell |
| Readings | Anna Smith |
| Prayers of the People | Catriona Cairns |
| Library | Catriona Cairns |
| Musician | Judy Dumbleton |

| On duty Sunday 31 July | |
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| Welcoming | Pauline and David Patchett |
| Sound | Frank Cook |
| Laptop | Hamish Dick |
| Offering | John Morgan, Tony Pears |
| Coffee/tea | Laura and Melissa van Echten, Katrina Harper |
| Time with the Children | Cam Smart |
| Readings | Anna Smith |
| Prayers of the People | Lynne Dovey |
| Rainbow Room Helper | Lois Robertson |
| Library | Gillian Feist |
| Musician | Bruce Corkill |

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 24 July 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Social Justice Education Group

Wednesday 27 July:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - VUW Piano Club (Victoria University)

Sunday 31 July 10am Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal

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 and Younger members' (Y) group meets after morning tea/brunch.

3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation

4th Sunday Social Justice Education Group

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

| Minister | Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai |
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| 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 | Vacant |
| Centre Manager | Adelina Reis |
| Office Administrator | Jillene Everett |
| Facilities Assistant(s) | Hayes Francis and Amy de Bruin |
| Roster Coordinator | Pam Fuller |

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