



Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

7th August 2022

Pentecost 9



Two Prime Ministers and a minister at 60th Anniversary of Treaty of Friendship between Samoa and New Zealand 1-2 August 2022.

Treaty of Friendship

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 (Luke 2:14)

He korōria ki te Atua. Salute to God. He maungarongo ki te whenua. Peacefulness to the land. He whakaaro pai ki te tangata. Goodwill to the people.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AA 113 'Our life has its seasons'

Words: © Shirley Murray. Music: © Colin Gibson

Our life has its seasons, and God has the reasons why spring follows winter, and new leaves grow; for there's a connection with our resurrection that flowers will bud after frost and snow.

So there's never a time to stop believing, there's never a time for hope to die, there's never a time to stop loving, these three things go on.

There's a time to be planting, a time to be plucking, a time to be laughing, a time to weep, a time to be building, a time to be breaking, a time to be waking, a time to sleep. So there's never... There's a time to be hurting, a time to be healing, a time to be saving, a time to spend, a time to be grieving, a time to be dancing, a time for beginning, a time to end. So there's never...

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava, **Talofa**

GATHERING

We are called as a community of faith, a supportive community, in which we love into being new possibilities for one another, calling out of each other the best we have to offer. In so doing we follow the pattern of Jesus who constantly accepted people as they were, while drawing them on to realise what they could be. In worship we build and nurture a community where such fostering of new possibilities can take birth and grow. *We celebrate life, past, present and future in the presence we name God.*

JESUS' PRAYER

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 ROOM CANDLE

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

Frank Cook

A friend in need by Joy Cowley

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme to hear stories, ask questions and have fun together. *God bless you. Amen.*

PASSING THE PEACE

THE WORD IN TEXTS Hebrew Bible	Ken Irwin 1 Samuel 18:1-4
Gospel	John 15:11-17

Contemporary reading

Lord, I am hurting. I feel like a tree with its roots laid bare. Suddenly there seems to be no support and I don't know what to do about it.

I know that adversity builds character, but that's tomorrow's story and it has no meaning for now. What I need, Lord, is a friend. Choose my friend carefully. Please, no one who's going to tell me how to put my life straight, no amateur analyst or teacher, no preacher, no well-meaning person who is going to "should" all over me.

I want someone to come in the door with a smile and a big warm hug to let me know I'm valuable just as I am. There'll be no advice, no expectation of change. My friend will already know that pain is important in journey and must be travelled through. My friend will stay beside me and hold my hand while I make my own discoveries.

And then, when all this is over, Lord help me to remember two things: To say "Thank you," and to be a friend with a big warm hug to someone else in pain. **RESPONSE**

For the Spirit of God in word, for the Spirit of God among us, for the Spirit of God within us, *We give thanks.*

HYMN

AA85 'Let justice roll down like a river'

Words & Music: Colin Gibson © 1994 Hope Publishing company

Refrain: Let justice roll down like a river, let justice flow down to the sea; let justice roll down like a river, let justice begin through me. Justice for all who go hungry, crying to God to be fed, left in a world of abundance to beg for a morsel of bread. *Refrain*

Justice for those who are homeless, victims of war or of need, trapped on the borders of nowhere, lost in the canyons of greed.

Refrain

Justice for all who are powerless, yearning for freedom in vain, plundered and robbed of their birth-right, silently bearing their pain.

Refrain

Reflection: "Treaty of friendship between Samoa and NZ, 60th Anniversary" Rev. Dr. Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

OFFERING

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,

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

For the gifts we receive and the gifts we share *we give thanks.* For the abundant universe, with resources enough and to spare *we give thanks.*

May our offerings of money and food, compassion and goodwill, be multiplied to those who receive them *blessing them, as we are blessed to give. Amen*

We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given to support the mission of the church through automatic payment.

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

Jenn Keenan

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 decision-making and sustainable living. 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 Barbara Kuriger (Taranaki – King Country) and Priyanca Radhakrishnan (Maugakiekie). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Knox Fitzroy Presbyterian 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

CH4:528 'Make me a channel of your peace'

Music: Sebastian Temple (1928-1997); arr. Betty Jane Pulkingham (b.1928)

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me sow love; where there is injury, your pardon, Lord; and where there's doubt, true faith in you. *Master, grant that I may never seek* so much to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of you peace. Where's there's despair in life let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy. *Master, grant that I may never seek...*

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive; and in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Master, grant that I may never seek...*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's table. 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 to participate in the communion. This is God's meal for all people.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

O Eternal Spirit, we give thanks, because with fire and wind you came among us. You burst forth and our lives have never been the same. You continue to reveal yourself to women and men many times, in different places, in a myriad of ways offering us a new way of living a new energy empowering us for the journey. Therefore with the energy and powerful love which we can now find deep within us, with the creative ones who delight, and transform darkness and despair, with those with artistic skill who dare to visualise for us another way, with the damaged ones who bring to life's stage new drama, with those who are rich in enthusiasm who inspire others to do good and do well, we give thanks, saying: Holy, holy, holy, loving Spirit God heaven and earth are full of your glory the glory of the power that is love. Hosanna in the highest; blessed are they who come in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest Blessed is our brother Jesus who walks with us in the spirit of life, now always with us wherever we are, who, after a meal with his friends, people much like us, took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body which is for you Do this to remember me' In the same also the cup, after supper saying words like 'This cup is the new covenant, Do this whenever you drink it, to remember me.'

Come now disturbing Spirit brood over and breathe on these earthly things and make us one body in Christ. Open our eyes, unlock our hearts, name us here; touch and heal all that has been buried in us, transforming ugliness into beauty, transforming despair into hope, that we may go out with power to release new life in the world.

Adapted from All Desires Known by Janet Morley

The original of this prayer was first used on Easter Day 1987 in the St Hilda Community

DISTRIBUTION

You will be served communion in your seats. The light liquid is wine and the dark liquid is grape juice. The bread is gluten free.

CLOSING PRAYERS

We do not rise from this table without remembering other members of this worldwide family: for those who are suffering from poverty we pray relief; for those who fear war we pray peace; for those who experience prejudice we pray acceptance; for those treated with hate we pray love; for those who doubt their former beliefs we pray trust and faith; for all who seek a spiritual path we pray they will find it. So may it be AMEN

HYMN

FFS 57 - 'Song of faith that sings forever'

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray. Music © Colin Gibson

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.

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.

BLESSING:

Kia tau kia tātou katoa, te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki a Ihu Karaiti, me te aroha o te Atua, me te whiwhinga tahitanga ki te wairua tapu. Ake, ake, ake. Amine.

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 49 'May the God of new beginnings'

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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.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

Thank you

Bruce Corkill our musician today

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

GRAHAM HOWELL



Parish Council, at its meeting on Thursday, recorded and acknowledged with sadness the sudden passing of Graham Howell. He is and will be greatly missed by our community. We give thanks to God for Graham's unwavering contribution to the congregation over a great many years, for his consistent emphasis on social justice and the Christian response, and the gifts that he shared.

FAITH IN ACTION

At the Special Assembly in April, Presbyterian Woman Aotearoa New Zealand successfully brought a recommendation that the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand (PCANZ) actively supports and promotes the World Council of Churches' <u>Thursdays in Black campaign</u>, committing to a world free of violence and rape. After receiving a message from the Moderator of PCANZ, Right Rev Hamish Galloway, Parish Council agreed to support this campaign and invites and encourages you as members of the congregation, to wear black on Thursdays.

The World Council of Churches website has this to say about the campaign: *"We all have a responsibility to speak out against violence, to ensure that women and men, boys and girls, are safe from rape and violence in homes, schools, work, streets – in all places in our societies. The campaign is simple but profound.* <u>Wear black on Thursdays</u> *to declare you are part of the global movement resisting attitudes and practices that permit rape and violence. Show your respect for women who are resilient in the face*



of injustice and violence. Encourage others to join you. Often black has been used with negative racial connotations. In this campaign Black is used as a colour of resistance and resilience."

So let's do it, St Andrew's! Margare

Margaret Rushbrook, Faith in Action Coordinator

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 <u>https://www.dcm.org.nz.</u> Brian Burrell

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

RELIGIOUS STUDIES 50TH ANNIVERSARY PUBLIC LECTURE + CELEBRATION

For those who were unable to attend this public lecture by Professor Paul Morris, with responses from Fa'anānā Efeso Collins and Māmari Stephens and here is a link to the recorded version on YouTube.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AppE92gCD5Q

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 Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86098470135?pwd=j78fdCgKxZeoDZqznAKqGnt3TwX8L8.1</u> Meeting ID: 860 9847 0135 - - Passcode: 166774

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

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

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:

WHO AM I ? UNDERSTANDING PERSONALITY TYPES WELLINGTON

I have been part of this meet up group for some time and find it excellent value (gold coin donation). Very knowledgeable co-leaders.

Today Sunday August 7 at 2pm the topic is "The most fundamental difference between us: extraversion and introversion"

(Carl Jung). Meet downstairs room at the Thistle Hall corner of Arthur St and Cuba St. If you'd like to get an idea of your type before the session (not essential) try this assessment <u>https://www.123test.com/jung-personality-test</u> Tony Pears

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, Margaret Pannett
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Bridget Martin, TBA
Communion	Maxine & Jim Cunningham, Sue McRae, Ross Scott,
	Ann Barrie, David Douglas
Coffee/tea	Jenny & Gavin Watson, Marilyn Wallace
Time with the Children	Frank Cook
Readings	Ken Irwin
Prayers of the People	Jenn Keenan
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 14 August	
Welcoming	Pat Booth, Jeni Bryant
Sound & Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Kath Kerr, Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Janet Horncy, David Douglas, Richard
	Owen
Time with the Children	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Lois Robertson
Rainbow Room Helper	Sandra Kirby
Library	Anne Barrie
Musician	Mark Stamper

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 7 August 10am Communion Service led by The Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith

Wednesday 10 August:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm - Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - Martin Riseley, Violin

Thursday 11 August:

12:15pm - Lunchtime Concert – Brass students of the NZSM

Sunday 14 August 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Congregational brunch.

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
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	Vacant
Facilities Assistant(s)	Hayes Francis and Amy de Bruin
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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