



ORDER OF SERVICE

4 September 2022



Water to Value



Pentecost 13 and Communion

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 Wendy and Andrew Matthews and Rosemary Lawrence

PRELUDE

Air from Water Music; G.F.Handel

GATHERING

Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

We come to be opened by visions that can enlist us in larger causes and more caring actions.

We come to hear words that might take us into a deeper kind of integrity and reconnect us with our better selves.

So may the warmer fullness that we seek fill our hearts, our minds and our spirits.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

God of all time, WOV 553

Words: Shirley Murray AA 49 Tune: Highwood

God of all time, all seasons of our living, source of our spark, protector of our flame, blazing before our birth, beyond our dying, God of all time, we come to sing your name.

Spirit who draws our fragile selves together, Spirit who turns a stranger in to friend, be at this table where we greet each other be in the peace we pass from hand to hand. Let us not die from poverty of caring, let us not starve where love is to be shared. Come, break us open to receive your healing: your broken body be our wine and bread.

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava.

Talofa.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Rosemary Lawrence

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God - heart of the world: revealed through every aspect of creation: understood through our awareness.

May we honour the holiness of creation and act accordingly so that your love is reflected in the way we live.

May we always be thankful for the food we eat and the friends we have.

May we forgive those who transgress against us and be forgiven for our own.

In the freedom of love may we live as your heartbeat and not be compromised by hesitation.

Through our freedom, may your justice be seen and heard and experienced. Amen

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

We light the rainbow candle as a symbol of our inclusiveness and to acknowledge the special place children have in our community.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Wendy Matthews

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

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 is here we ask that you pass the peace without shaking hands.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Valerie Rhodes

Contemporary Reading

from 'This is All' by Aidan Chambers

I thought how lovely and how strange a river is. A river is a river, always there, and yet the water flowing through it is never the same water and is never still. It's always changing and is always on the move. And over time the river itself changes too. It widens and deepens as it rubs and scours, gnaws and kneads, eats and bores its way through the land. Even the greatest rivers - the Nile and the Ganges, the Yangtze and the Mississippi, the Amazon and the great grey-green greasy Limpopo all set about with fever trees - must have been no more than trickles and flickering streams before they grew into mighty rivers.

Are people like that? I wondered. Am I like that? Always me, like the river itself, always flowing but always different, like the water flowing in a river, sometimes walking steadily along andante, sometimes surging over rapids furioso, sometimes meandering with hardly any visible movement tranquilo, lento, sometimes gurgling with pleasure, sometimes sparkling in the sun, sometimes appassionato, sometimes misterioso, sometimes staccato, sometimes vivace, and always, I hope, amoroso. Do I change like a river, widening and deepening, eddying back on myself sometimes, bursting my banks sometimes when there's too much water, too much life in me, and sometimes dried up from lack of rain? Will the I that is me, grow and widen and deepen? Or will I stagnate and become an arid riverbed? Will I allow people to dam me up and confine me so that I flow only where they want? Will I allow them to turn me into a canal to use for their own purposes? Or will I make sure I flow freely, coursing my way through the land and ploughing a valley of my own?

RESPONSE

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

Water to value

Andrew Matthews

HYMN

REFLECTION

Touch the earth lightly AA143

Words: Shirley Murray Music: Colin Gibson

- Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently, nourish the life of the world in our care: gift of great wonder, ours to surrender, trust for the children tomorrow will bear.
- We who endanger, who create hunger, agents of death for all creatures that live, we who would foster clouds of disaster, God of our planet, forestall and forgive!
- Let there be greening, birth from the burning, water that blesses and air that is sweet, health in God's garden, hope in God's children, regeneration that peace will complete.
- God of all living, God of all loving, God of the seedling, the snow and the sun, teach us, deflect us, Christ re-connect us, using us gently, and making us one.

Fiona McDougal and Mike Wespel-Rose Siciliana and Aria 5 by G P Telemann

OFFERTORY HYMN

Here we bring small or great AA 62

Words: Shirley Murray, Music: © Colin Gibson

Here we bring small or great gifts to offer on this plate What we've earned, what we own, tithe or token, bread or stone.

[REFRAIN]

Jesus said, "Have a care – your hearts will always be, where your riches are where your riches are."

OFFERING PRAYER

We bring these gifts of food for those who need it.

We bring these gifts of money so this church may continue to make the way of Jesus a political reality.

We offer ourselves as pilgrim people, seeking to walk the way of light and love. **Amen.**

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

Rev Barrie Keenan

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Sri Lanka and the Maldives and Christian World Service Partners in Sri Lanka focussing on training and income generation, home gardens, research into sustainable agricultural and campaigning on the rights of the poor. 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 Christopher Luxon (Botany) and Jo Luxton (Rangitata). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Ngaio Union Church.

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

COMMUNION HYMN

All are Welcome CH4 198 Words and music: Marty Haugen

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive; built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: **Chorus**

All are welcome, all are welcome,

all are welcome in this place. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

Chorus

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger:

Chorus

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

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.

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Creator be with you and all creation. *And also with you.* Open your hearts. *We open them to our Creator.* Let us give thanks to our Creator. *It is right to join creation in thanking the source of life.*

It is right to give you thanks, loving Creator. Your Word is the impulse for all things to be, for space, stars and stardust to appear, for Earth to emerge from the deep, for life to be born of Earth and for humans to be born of Earth and the Spirit. You are made known to us as one of us, becoming a part of Earth, living, loving, suffering and dying to redeem humankind, renew creation, and affirm all born of Earth and the Spirit. Your presence is the living impulse in all things, the Christ deep among us, filling Earth—land, sea and air; filling every element and place; filling the grain and the grape we share with you this day. Therefore with the energy of life, ancient voices in the forest, high voices from the sky, deep voices from the sea and the whole company of creation, we proclaim your presence among us Holy, holy, holy, God of all life, earth and sea and sky are full of your presence and glorify your name.

And so we recall the ancient story... We remember the night before he died, when he shared a meal with his friends, Jesus took some bread, and set aside some wine, honouring the God of faithful presence in the ordinary of life.

He gave thanks for all the blessings in his life. Broke the bread. Poured out the wine. And shared both with his friends.

We break bread as Jesus broke bread, mindful of the call to love generously and faithfully, whatever the cost.

We pour out wine mindful of our responsibility to be bearers of forgiveness, creators of justice and understanding.

God of life, with this bread and this wine, we celebrate the life of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to follow his way. To this commitment we give our 'Amen' and offer it as our gift to our family, friends and neighbours and to all the earth.

Come now, tender spirit of God, brood over these bodily things, that we and these may be signs of life and love to each other.

Nourish us in faith. Bind us together in love. Fill us with hope.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is made ready.

SHARING THE BREAD AND WINE

Invitation Come, for all things are now ready. Come to the table with all your kin and share with all in need: the gift of healing for those in pain, the gift of forgiveness for those who are broken, the gift of assurance for those in doubt, and the gift of hope for those in tears.

May we who share these gifts, share life with one another and all our kin.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us give thanks for this meal. We thank you holy energy of life, for the meal we have celebrated and we pray that we may be healed and become agents of healing for Earth. Amen.

HYMN

Come to our Land AA 26

Words: Shirley Murray Music: Colin Gibson

Come to our land, come to our hearts, Spirit of peace, Spirit of truth; bring in the spring, the hope and the green, Spirit of growth and Spirit of youth.

Chorus

And all our people will sing together: Wairua Tapu, holy your name, there's one great Spirit in all creation, one great Spirit of God!

Come to our land, come to our hearts, Spirit of life, breath of new birth; teach us to care for water and air, nourish the seed and cherish the earth. *Chorus*

Come to our land, come to our hearts Spirit of bush, Spirit of bird; speak to the soul of Aotearoa, joy in your world, and joy in your Word.

Chorus

BLESSING

We go from this place into our week, changed. A seed of transformation deep within us. In our conversations and actions thoughts and dreams may we know more deeply the presence we call God soothing and disturbing us, a blessing to make us whole.

POSTLUDE

To live is to look; Mons. Leidvin Takle

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Thank you to 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

Parking: On Saturday and Sunday the parking fee in the vicinity of St Andrew's is \$3 per hour, with a time limit for most metered parks of 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.

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 Andrew's on The Terrace, BNZ Lambton Quay, 02-0534-0004022-02

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

BID FOR A BACH 2022

How about a Spring or Summer break away from Wellington?

As a fundraiser for St Andrews on the Terrace to help boost finances affected by Covid-19 cancellations for the St Andrews Centre, we have 3 holiday homes on offer for a short holiday. The owners of these 3 holiday homes have generously agreed to donate all rent received to St Andrews.

Bid for a date at:

- 1) A classic cottage in Greytown at \$90 per night;
- A house in Whanganui, with a view over the city and all mod cons including Sky TV, for \$100 per night;
- 3) A holiday home at Whatamango Bay, nestled in native bush in the Marlborough Sounds, accessible by car with a 15 minute drive from Picton, for \$100 per night.

The Cottage in Greytown sleeps up to 4 people (2 bedrooms: one queen, two singles). A separate sleep out has 2 single beds for a larger group.

The house in Whanganui and the house near Picton both sleep up to 6 people.

You need to provide your own towels and sheets.

For the houses in Greytown and Whanganui, you are responsible to leave the property as you found it.

For the holiday home at Whatamango Bay there is a \$50 end cleaning fee.

Send me an email to see if the property you would like to rent is available. Weekends tend to be at a premium so book early.

If your requested dates are available, you will be sent confirmation and detailed information about the holiday home and how to reach it, how to get in, instructions about water and power, and you will be sent bank account details for you to pay for your stay, .

Contact me, Andrew Matthews at: wa.matthews@gmail.com

WEARING OF NAME TAGS TO MORNING TEA

As a result of this matter being raised at the last Congregational Conversation, Parish Council requests that we wear our name tags to morning tea please. At the end of morning tea, leave your name tag in the basket provided in the Hall. It will be returned to the name tag board in the Church for you, ready for the next Sunday.

LIBRARY NEWS

A book I have been reading recently that I have really loved is "Overstory". By Richard Powers.He won the Pulitzer Prize for this book a couple of years ago. It has deeply changed and enriched the way I relate to, observe and love our native forest.

Here is a summary sentence from Goodreads. - "The Overstory is a sweeping, impassioned work of activism and resistance that is also a stunning evocation of - and paean to - the natural world."

We dont have a copy in the library. But in fact - I have not read it, I have listened to it on Audible. This is a phone app. This costs me about \$15 / month and allows me to listen to a huge range of wonderful books using my phone.

Someone at church last Sunday told me they are having trouble reading at the moment but they still want to engage with thoughtful and beautiful writing. Audible is a possible solution.

Thanks Mike Wespel-Rose

ROSTERS FOR OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

A reminder for those who help on our rosters that we will be putting together a new roster for the period October/November. If you have any dates during this period that you know you will be away please notify the office at office@standrews.org.nz by Friday the 9th of September.

For those who are not already on the rosters, please let us know if you are interested in helping with the weekly services e.g. Welcoming, Offering and Morning tea.

Thank you.

OFFICE STAFFING

Following Jillene's departure, we have appointed Hayes Francis as Parish Administrator up until Christmas. We have also engaged Amy de Bruin to assist Adelina with reservations, set up for meetings and generally run the conference centre. Both are capable students who were already engaged as facilities assistants. Hayes helped with Parish Administration earlier in the year when Jillene was absent.

We advertised in June to fill two roles: Parish Administrator and Front of House assistant. Although we interviewed five candidates none were suitable for either role, hence we approached Hayes and Amy to see whether they would be available. Fortunately for St Andrew's they both agreed. While we would have preferred to make permanent appointments, this is the best solution for the present. The labour market is extremely constrained and administrators are very hard to find. We will keep looking.

If you have notices or require help in any way please email the office in the normal way - with Notices in the subject line and copy Adelina in: <u>manager@standrews.org.nz</u>

Lynne Dovey Parish Council Convenor

ECO-CHURCH

Recently, I attended a very stimulating Presbytery Gathering in Palmerton North on the theme of Caring for Creation. It included a workshop on the Eco-Church movement (<u>https://www.ecochurch.org.nz</u>), which Parish Council agreed is something we could, as a parish, consider signing up to. Our aim is to have a special Congragational meeting on the 4th Sunday in September (the 25th) to look at how we might engage with it.

Thanks to those who have sent in information on sustainability in their daily lives. This will be shared with you all over the next few weeks.

Sue Hirst

JAM JARS – I HAVE ENOUGH NOW, THANKS.

Thanks for the jam jars. I now have more than enough. Marmalade soon. Sue Hirst

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

LIVING WAGE ELECTION FORUM

The Wellington network of the Living Wage Movement would like to invite you to a forum for candidates in the lead up to voting in the Wellington local body elections.

The forum will be at St Peters on Willis Street starting 6 pm - 7:30 pm on Wednesday 14 September 2022.

It will be a fun night to hear from the Living Wage movement and candidates about what they will do to support the living wage in our city and region.

RSVP to finn@livingwage.org.nz

"WHEN THERE IS PEACE: AN ARMISTICE ORATORIO" Zachary Wadsworth, composer Sunday, 11 September, 4:00 pm

Queen Margaret College Hall, 53 Hobson Street, Thorndon

This work was premiered in 2018 by Chor Leoni, a Vancouver based men's choir. The piece is written for men's voices, string quartet, percussion, soprano and tenor soloists, and a narrator. There are only a few major choral works available for only men's voices and we are very excited about presenting this innovative and fresh music that walks through the struggles of war. The choir will consist of over 60 men from colleges, community choirs, Inspirare and others in the Wellington region.

The concert will be accompanied by the world-renowned New Zealand String Quartet, a wonderful narrator, 2 fantastic percussionists from the NZSO and Orchestra Wellington, and outstanding soloists, Rosel Labone and Lachlan Craig.

To purchase tickets, visit: eventbrite.co.nz

SPIRITUALITY FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

SOFiA Annual Conference - St Andrew's on the Terrace, Friday 7 October – Saturday 8 October, 2022.

Friday:

15:00 John Thornley: Black Theology in African-American Music illustrated by recordings

19:30 Lloyd Geering lecture - Ian Harris: Spirituality for an eco-human future Saturday

09:00 Rob McKay - Interrelationship with Creation

10:30 Pushpa Wood - What role can spirituality play in securing a sustainable future for the next generation

14:00 Speakers and youth panellists to discuss and question.

Some fliers are available at the back of the church.

SEA OF FAITH IN AUSTRALIA (SoFiA) - Melbourne.

Here is the link for upcoming Zoom sessions

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86098470135?pwd=j78fdCgKxZeoDZqznAKqGnt3T wX8L8.1

Meeting ID: 860 9847 0135 - - Passcode: 166774

 \sim SoFiA promotes the open exploration of religion, spirituality and the search for meaning \sim

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).

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).

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 | Sandra and Tony Kirby |
| Sound | Frank Cook |
| Laptop | Cam Smart |
| Offering | John Morgan |
| Coffee/tea | Kath Kerr, Janet Hornsey |
| Time with the Children | Wendy Matthews |
| Readings | Valerie Rhodes |
| Prayers of the People | Barrie Keenan |
| Communion | Margaret Rushbrook, Heather Macfarlane, |
| | Vhari McWha, Margarett Pannett, Sue Hirst |
| Rainbow Room Helper | Ellen Murray |
| Library | Gillian Feist |
| Musician | Judy Dumbleton |
| On duty Sunday 11 September | |
| Welcoming | Pauline and David Patchett |
| Sound | Tony Cowdry |
| Laptop | Margaret Rushbrook |
| Offering | Kath Kerr, Bridget Martin |
| Coffee/tea | Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Katrina Harper |
| Time with the Children | Dawn Cowdry |
| Readings | Tony Kirby |
| Prayers of the People | Jenn Keenan |
| Rainbow Room Helper | Sandra Kirby |
| Library | Ann Barrie |
| Musician | ТВС |
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This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 4 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Wendy & Andrew Matthews and Rosemary Lawrence; Communion led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by Exploring Faith

Wednesday 7 September:

10.30am Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert Rebecca Steel (flute) and Kris Zuelicke (piano) **Sunday 11 September 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 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 |
| Parish Administrator | Hayes Francis |
| Facilities Assistant(s) | Amy de Bruin |
| Roster Coordinator | Pam Fuller |

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