



ORDER OF SERVICE

18 September 2022

3rd Sunday in Creation - Pentecost 15
“MOANA/OCEANS”



TUVALU FROM THE AIR

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

We gather
in the name of the Spirit of God
who hovered over the primal waters;
in the name of the Word of God
who parted the waters for Earth to appear;
in the name of the Wisdom of God,
who filled the depths with amazing designs.

Holy! Holy! Holy!

The oceans are filled with God's presence.

Planet Earth is filled with God's presence.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Watch once more the windswept storm clouds

Words: Norman Habel Tune: Praise my Soul the King of Heaven

1. Watch once more the windswept storm clouds;
suddenly the sky has wings!
God has come to rain among us,
giving hope to all dry things.
Sing a song of splashing waters,
pulsing through the veins of Earth.

2. Taste the moisture of the morning,
smoother than the best red wine;
toast the lifeblood of the planet:
here's to God's wild wet design!
Sing a song of flowing waters,
pulsing through the veins of Earth.

3. View anew the dark blue ocean,
whales cavorting, spraying foam;
God at play with deep sea monsters,
feeling very much at home.
Sing a song of laughing waters,
pulsing through the veins of Earth.

4. Feel the breath of God move softly,
gentle mists that brush the skin;
Earth is breathing God's own spirit,
life renewed from deep within.
Sing a song of living waters,
pulsing through the veins of Earth.

OPENING RESPONSES

From the deep sea currents and coral reefs,
to the mountain peaks on the ocean floor.

We invite the oceans to worship with us.

From the icebergs that break off from the South Pole,
to the calm waters that caress the equator.

We call the surging seas to celebrate with us.

With whales and dolphins dancing on the surface,
and choirs of angel fish assembled below.

***We join all ocean life in songs of praise,
we celebrate the sounds of the ocean!***

SILENCE

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava.

Talofa.

PRAYER

God of all the earth, the seas, the sky and the whole oikumene,
we pray that as your spirit hovered over the waters, that your spirit will hover
over our worship this morning as we celebrate the Moana Pasifika and all its
created order. We remember those who are unwell and unable to worship with

us this morning. We pray for the recently bereaved and ask that your peace be upon them all. We pray for those who are destitute and struggling for those who have no hope. Gracious God enable us and empower us to be the Christ figure in the lives of others. **Amen.**

JESUS' PRAYER

Henry Horton (adapted)

*Our Mother, whose body is the Earth,
sacred is your being. Your gardens grow,
your will be done in our cities, as it is in nature.
Thanks be this day for food. and air, and water.
Forgive us our sins against Earth, as we are learning to
forgive one another.
And surrender us not unto extinction, but deliver us from our
folly.
For the beauty and the power, and all life, from birth to death,
is yours,
from beginning to end. Amen.
So be it forever.
Blessed be.*

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

We light the rainbow candle to show that we are an inclusive community and also for our children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rosemary Lawrence

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

God's Promise to Noah

Genesis 9:12-17

Contemporary reading

'The End Of Tuvalu' by Michael Benkhen

To the bottom of the ocean,
where the fish can only dream,

to the bottom of the ocean,
to build our graves - among the sea.

Tuvalu, Tuvalu - our home and friend,
our birthplace - and end; we love you.
To the bottom of the ocean,
clutching sand with grasping nails,
to the bottom of the ocean,
our pleas for help - have sadly failed.

Tuvalu, Tuvalu - our home and friend,
our birthplace - and end; we love you.

To the bottom of the ocean,
to the bottom of the coral reef,
where our homes have been neglected -
to rot in silence beneath the sea.
Please don't forget us.

RESPONSE

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

CHOIR: All things bright and beautiful

REFLECTION

Moana Theology

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

HYMN

Fa'afetai i le Atua, WOV 629

Words: © Traditional Samoan, Music: © Public Domain, 3 verses

1. Fa'afetai i le Atua,
Thanks to God
Le na tatou tupu ai,
who has given us life
ina ua na alofa fua
when he freely loved
ia te i tatou uma nei.
all of us.

Refrain

la pepese, ia pepese

Sing, sing

Allelui, fa'afetai

Alleluia, give thanks

la pepese, ia pepese

Sing sing

Alleluia faafetai

Alleluia, give thanks

2. Fa'afetai i ona Alo,

Thanks to his Son

le na afio mai luga

who came from above,

le ua fai ma faapaolo

who protects you

mai le puapuaga.

from all suffering.

Refrain

la pepese, ia pepese

Sing, sing

Allelui, fa'afetai

Alleluia, give thanks

la pepese, ia pepese

Sing sing

Alleluia fa'afetai

Alleluia, give thanks

3. Fa'afetai i le Agaga,

Thanks to the Spirit

le fesoasoani mai,

who helps

emanuia ai talosafa,

to bless our prayers

atoa uma mea e fai.

and whatever we do.

Refrain

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*We believe in God
who is present in the vastness of the ocean
and in the tiniest grain of sand,
who speaks to us the wild waves
that lash against the south coast,
in the gifts of driftwood and seashells
that wash up on the beach,
in the vibrancy of life under the ocean,
the wonder of creatures beyond our imagining.*

*We believe in Jesus
who broke bread with fishermen,
who withdrew in a boat to a deserted place
but answered the call to return to shore
to feed the poor and heal the sick.
We believe in Christ
who speaks calm into the waves and storms
of our lives;
who calls us to cast our nets wide
and welcome all into our hearts.*

*We believe in the Spirit
who hovered over the waters,
who rages like storms at sea
and whispers like a seashell pressed to an ear,
who stretches over this planet like the ocean,
joining us to peoples everywhere.*

*We believe in the church,
being and becoming,
chosen as God's presence in the world,
called to cherish the gifts of salt and spray,
to care for all creation
from sand dunes to deep sea vents.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERTORY HYMN

Here we bring small or great

Here we bring small or great, AA 62
Words Shirley Murray: Music © Colin Gibson

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

OFFERING PRAYER

***We bring these gifts and we bring our lives. May we be open
and generous, caring and compassionate. May these gifts be
used to make justice and peace for people, for creatures and
for planet earth, our only home. 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

Pat Booth

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Swaziland and the Council of Swaziland Churches. 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 the Hon Kieran McAnulty (Wairarapa) and Todd McClay (Rotorua). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of the Otaki Waikanae Presbyterian Parish.

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

These hills where the hawk flies lonely, FFS63

Words: © Colin Gibson, Music © Hope Publishing Co., 4 verses

1. These hills where the hawk flies lonely,
beaches where the long surf rolls,
mountains where the snows meet heaven,
these are our care.

Pastures where the sheep graze calmly,
orchards where the apples grow,
gardens where the roses cluster,
these are our prayer.

2. Forests where the tree ferns tower,
rivers running strong and clear,
oceans where the great whales wander,
these are our care.

Race meeting race as equals,
justice for age-old wrong,
worth for every man and woman,
these are our prayer.

3. Cities where the young roam restless,
lives brought to deep despair,
homeless and powerless people,
these are our care.

Places where the Word is spoken,
hands held in serving love,
faiths of our many cultures,

these are our prayer.

4. All that the old world gave us,
all that the new world brings,
language, ideas and customs,

these are our care.

Life finding joy and value,
faith seeking truth and light,
God heard and seen in all things,

this be our prayer.

Benediction:

Kia hora te marino,

kia whakapapa pounamu te moana,

kia tere te kārohirohi i mua i tōu huarahi

May peace be widespread,

may the sea glisten like greenstone, and

may the shimmer of light guide you on your way. Amen.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Mark Stamper

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.

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

DEATH OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand acknowledges the death of Queen Elizabeth II with deep sadness and with heartfelt thanksgiving for her life. We are sad to lose someone who has had a special place in our lives for so many years.

We are thankful for the Queen's long and full life of faithful, loving service that has helped to navigate countries like ours through the good times, and the difficult times, for over seven decades.

As Christians, we also give thanks for the sincere Christian faith that guided her and sustained her throughout her life.

We extend our condolences to the Queen's family and all those who are grieving at this time.

We offer our prayerful support for the new King, Charles III.

Hamish Galloway

Moderator PCANZ

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

REMINDER: MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOHN MORGAN

Monday 19 September at 2 pm at St Andrew's on The Terrace followed by afternoon tea. John has very little family and we'd appreciate it if people attending the service could please bring a plate for the afternoon tea following the service. Pam Fuller will have a sign-up sheet at church on Sunday or you can email her on pjfuller@gmail.com if you are able to help with food, serving and / or tidying-up. It will be good to farewell John properly and in a manner that he would have appreciated.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

It's that time of year when we write the annual report in preparation for reporting to you the members of the congregation at the AGM, to the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand, and to the Charities Services.

Various members of Parish Council and others have been working hard on the report. This includes preparing the financial statements so they can go to the auditor for review.

The financial review is carried out in September and October and we expect the reviewers' report in late October or early November.

Accordingly we give notice that the Annual General Meeting of St Andrew's on The Terrace will be held on Sunday 13 November 2022, following morning tea. The meeting is usually held in the church and we will confirm this closer to the time.

Lynne Dovey

Parish Council Convenor on behalf of Parish Council

"PREPARING FOR DEATH AND DYING" WORKSHOP

St Andrews on the Terrace Conference Centre.

Sunday 16th October 1pm-4pm.

As part of our response to the recent deaths we have experienced in our community, we plan to hold a workshop to help us think more about what we can do to prepare for the end of life.

Are there practical actions we can take? What sort of decisions may need to be made? How can we strengthen ourselves spiritually and emotionally to cope with death and grieving? We will draw on resources from within our own community and beyond in this afternoon workshop. Programme to be confirmed shortly.

Please contact Fiona McDougal with any queries fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com 021 253 8911

COMBINED SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION GROUP WITH THE WIDER ST ANDREW'S CONGREGATION

After morning tea, Sunday 25 September, 11.45 am – 1 pm, in the Church Hall. The aim is to discuss the Eco-Church movement and get an indication of how we as a congregation feel about joining St Andrew's to this movement. Information can be found on the EcoChurchNZ website (<https://www.ecochurch.org.nz>) . There is a self-assessment worksheet on the site (<https://www.ecochurch.org.nz/self-assessment-worksheet>) which gives an idea of areas in which we might take action, whatever we may decide. We need a good turnout if we are to get a clear picture of where the community stands on this. For more information, have a chat with Sue Hirst or Margaret Rushbrook.

RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

As a result of the last Congregational Conversation, Brian Burrell has provided a list of Wellington City locations where used household batteries can be dropped off for FREE. They are Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Manners Street near Willis (inward bus stop), Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop. Thanks, Brian.

MESSAGE FROM REG WEEKS

Reg's email has been hacked. Please do not respond to any pleas for money, Amazon cards etc. And delete messages. It's not really him!

BID FOR A BACH 2022

How about a Spring or Summer break away from Wellington?

As a fundraiser for St Andrew's on the Terrace to help boost finances affected by Covid-19 cancellations for the St Andrew's 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;
- 2) 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 don't 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

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: manager@standrews.org.nz

Lynne Dovey
Parish Council Convenor

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

VOLUNTEER WELFARE GUARDIAN

The Wellington Welfare Guardianship Trust is having an information sharing meeting on Tuesday September 20th 6.00pm- 8.00pm at St Andrews in conference room 1. This will be attended by some of our volunteer Welfare Guardians, the Trustees and people interested in the possibility of becoming a volunteer Welfare Guardian. Please come if you are interested.

On behalf of the Trustees of Wellington Welfare Guardianship Trust

wwgtrust@gmail.com

JOY COWLEY RETREAT

"The Sacred Way: Gratitude for life as a pilgrimage.

Saturday 1st October 2022 0930-1600

St James' Anglican Church, Lower Hutt.

Cost \$20 or a koha.

Contact Maureen Lamb maureen@lamb.org.nz or 021 1763669

PAKISTAN FLOOD APPEAL

Request from the Moderator of PCANZ, Right Rev Hamish Galloway, to please generously support this appeal through Christian World Service to help people in Pakistan who need food, safety, water and shelter. Donate to the Pakistan Flood Appeal at cws.org.nz or 0800 74 73 72.

SPIRITUALITY FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

SOFiA Annual Conference - St Andrew's on the Terrace, Friday 7 October and 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.

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 system	Frank Cook
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	Laura and Melissa van Echten, Marilyn Wallace
Time with the Children	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Anna Smith
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room Helper	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Library	Catriona Cairns
Musician	Mark Stamper

On duty Sunday 25 September

Welcoming	Pat Booth, Pat McGiven
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Tony Pears, Katrina Harper
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy, Kath Kerr, Richard Owen
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Margaret Rushbrook
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday date 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

Wednesday date:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - NZSM Cello Ensemble

Sunday date 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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	Caitlin Thomas
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Parish Administrator	Hayes Francis
Facilities Assistant(s)	Amy de Bruin
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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