



ORDER OF SERVICE

9 JULY 2023 Pentecost 6



SAUL ON THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS

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
and Rev Dr Frank Hanson**

PRELUDE

GATHERING

We begin our week together,
honouring this life, with all its potentials and possibilities.

We begin our week with trust
knowing we are created for loving encounter.

We begin our week with hope,
***knowing that it can hold
love, kindness,
forgiveness and justice.***

We recall the week that has gone,
(a pause.....)

we ask
***may we learn, may we love,
may we live on.***

We make room for the unexpected,
***may we find wisdom and life
in the unexpected.***

Help us to embrace possibility,
respond graciously to disappointment
and hold tenderly those we encounter.

Help us be fully present to the week to come.

(Padraig O Tuama adapted)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'In this familiar place' AA72

Words and Music: © Colin Gibson Tune: FREELAND

1. In this familiar place
I know the mystery of your grace.

Refrain:

*For the love that I receive,
for the truth that I believe,
I praise and thank you
for this here and now.*

2. In halting song and word
the music of your voice is heard.

Refrain

3. Among these friends of mine
I taste the company divine.

Refrain

4. Within this narrow sphere
I learn that you are everywhere.

Refrain

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Ou te faatalofa atu I le Suafa o Iesu Keriso

Talofa lava, we too greet you in the name of Jesus Christ

A special welcome to those who are visiting us, please join us for fellowship in the hall after church.

PRAYER

God, lead us, that we may stand firm in faith for justice.

Teach us love. Teach us compassion.

Above all, out of love and compassion,

teach us to act. Amen.

(from 'A service of Prayer for Justice and Peace' Iona Abbey Worship Book)

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

We light the rainbow candle as a sign of our inclusivity and for our children.

FAMILY TIME

Cam Smart

PASSING THE PEACE

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

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Gavin Watson

New Testament Readings:

Acts 7:54-8:1

Acts 9:1-9 and 19b-22

Contemporary Reading: “The State of One’s Heart” from *Benedictus* by John O’Donohue

The human body is an amazing masterpiece. With the senses, we see, hear, taste, smell and touch the world, drawing its mystery inside us. With the mind, we probe the eternal structures of things. With the face, we present ourselves to the world and recognize each other. But it is the heart that makes us human.

The state of one’s heart inevitably shapes one’s life; it is ultimately the place where everything is decided.

- A courageous heart will go forth and engage with life despite confusion and fear.
- A fearful heart will be hesitant and will tend to hold back.
- A heavy heart will make for a gloomy, unlived life.

But:

- A compassionate heart need never carry the burden of judgement.
- A forgiving heart knows the art of liberation.
- A loving heart awakens the spirit to possibility and engagement with others.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN:

‘Loving Spirit’ AA94

Words: Shirley Erena Murray © Hope Publishing 1987

1. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be --
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.
2. Like a mother you enfold me,
hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body,
form me of your flesh and bone.

3. Like a father you protect me,
teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder,
let me see the world from high.
4. Friend and lover, in your closeness
I am known and held and blessed:
in your promise is my comfort,
in your presence I may rest.
5. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be --
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.

REFLECTION

'On the road'

Rev Dr Frank Hanson

HYMN

'God who sets us on a journey' FFS32

Tune: Hyferodol; Words © Joy Dine

1. God who sets us on a journey
to discover, dream and grow,
lead us as you led your people
in the desert long ago;
journey inward, journey outward,
stir the spirit, stretch the mind,
love for God and love for neighbour
marks the way that Christ defined.
2. Exploration brings new insights,
changes, choices we must face;
give us wisdom in deciding,
mindful always of your grace;
should we stumble, lose our bearings,
find it hard to do what's right,
we regain our true direction
focused on the Jesus light.

3. End our longing for the old days,
grant the vision that we lack –
once we've started on this journey
there can be no turning back;
let us travel light, discarding
excess baggage from our past,
cherish only what's essential,
choosing treasure that will last.

4. When we set up camp and settle
to avoid love's risk and pain,
you disturb complacent comfort,
pull the tent pegs up again;
keep us travelling in the knowledge
you are always at our side;
give us courage for the journey,
Christ our goal and Christ our guide.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

'Brother, sister let me serve you' (verse 1) AA8

Richard Gillard © Scripture in Song

Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

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:

If you have a notice to share, please come forward. Thank you.

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 Bosnia and Herzegovina and we pray for understanding between people of different religious traditions in the world today. We hold all refugees in our hearts and pray in particular for those who are still detained in Australia. We give thanks for recent progress and pray that their calls for justice might yet be answered with compassion. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Simon Court (List) and Dr Liz Craig (Papakura). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Feilding - Oroua Presbyterian Parish.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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

*Bless the cities in which we live
that they may be places
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*

CLOSING HYMN

'Draw the circle wide'

Words and music: Gordon Light © 1994

Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.
No one stands alone,
we'll stand side by side.
Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still,
let this be our song,
no-one stands alone!
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

In your sadness and in your grief,
and when the pain it seems there is no relief,
we will hold you until the storm subsides.
Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still,
let this be our song,
no-one stands alone!
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Life is the still point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns,
nothing lost, but held forever
in God's gracious arms.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still,
let this be our song,
no-one stands alone!
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small.
Let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still,
let this be our song,
no-one stands alone!
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Let the dreams we dream be larger
than we've ever dreamed before.
Let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door.

Draw the circle wide,
draw it wider still,
let this be our song
no-one stands alone!
Standing side by side,
draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

BLESSING

Go as far as your courage takes you, for you cannot go beyond the reach of God.

Give as extravagantly as you may, for you cannot spend all the riches of God.

Care as lavishly as you are able, for you cannot exhaust the love of God.

Keep journeying and searching, for God travels with you and blesses you.

SUNG BLESSING

'God speed you on your way' FFS 29

Words by Shirley Murray, © Hope Publishing

Music: Shona Murray Tune: STAFFORD

1. God speed you on your way,
safe keep you ev'ry day,
give you wing, cause to sing--
all this we wish and pray.
2. God give you space to thrive,
all senses kept alive,
health and hope, means to cope,
joyfully to arrive.
3. God lead you to the new,
places and points of view,
paths to take, friends to make,
more life to travel through!

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill
our musician today

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Words/music to new hymns and gathering statement, prayers and affirmation are original unless 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

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

FUNDRAISING TO HELP ALZHEIMERS NEW ZEALAND

I am trying to fundraise \$800 to help Alzheimers New Zealand, by spending at least 30 minutes each day creating (writing, drawing, and even cake decorating!) Please help me by making a donation through my page.

I am doing this for the dear ones in my life who have dementia, and because we have appreciated the support we have received to help us support them.

<https://alzheimersnz.grassrootz.com/create-for-dementia-2023/fionn-creates>

Fionn McKenzie

RENT-A-BACH OPPORTUNITY

Two families have made their houses available to rent with the proceeds going to St Andrew's to help cover the considerable COVID-caused deficit.

One is a house in Whanganui with a view over the city and all mod cons including Sky TV for \$100 per night.

The other is a holiday home in Whatamango Bay, nestled in native bush in the Marlborough Sounds, accessible by car with a 15 minute drive from Picton, for \$100 a night.

Both sleep up to six people. You need to provide your own sheets and towels. For the house in Whanganui you need to leave the property as you found it. For Whatamango Bay there is a \$50 end cleaning fee.

Send Richard Owen an email if you would like to book the Whanganui house on rjc.owen@xtra.co.nz or Marilyn Wallace on wallcork@xtra.co.nz for a Whatamango Bay booking. They will follow up with you direct.

ST ANDREW'S SUSTAINABILITY TIPS...

As part of our St Andrew's sustainability group activities we have a regular space in the e-news to share events and resources.

If you have ideas or events to share please contact Sonia (email: soniapetrie@gmail.com or mob: 027-405-1302)

Events for your diaries:

Zero Together

Floods, cyclones, heatwaves, and droughts – news of climate-related disasters keeps coming, and many of us are increasingly worried. One of the best ways to deal with our anxiety is to take action.

Zero Together is a series of five practical, interactive sessions for individuals and households provided by Wellington City Council. Join other concerned Wellingtonians to explore simple, low or no-cost actions to reduce the carbon emissions of our everyday lives – because when we act together, it adds up! Led by Hataitai locals Clare and Christy, you'll be looking at transport, energy use, waste, food, shopping habits and more.

Time: 6.30 - 8.30pm

Dates: Wednesdays - 12 July, 19 July, 26 July, 2 August, 9 August

Location: Hataitai Centre, 157 Hataitai Rd, Wellington

Cost: \$25 for all five workshops

Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/.../zero-together-hataitai...>

** Timing doesn't work for you? Register your interest at

<https://wellington.govt.nz/zerotogether> to hear about other upcoming courses

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Let's talk Climate workshops by Parents for Climate NZ

Information about the workshops including booking is [here](#)

Upcoming workshops:

Sat afternoon 8 July in Aro Valley

RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Household batteries can be dropped off for FREE at Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Manners Street Library near Willis (inward bus stop), Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop.

FINISHED A LOAF OF BREAD OR BOTTLE OF MILK?

Please save the bread bag and the clip (plastic only) 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 since 1969 and one way we can offer our support is to FILL the food baskets at the back of the church each Sunday.

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 toothbrushes. (Please no fresh fruit/vegetables)

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

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Upcoming concerts are:

Wednesday 12 July 12:15pm - 1:00pm

Wellywind Trio – Anna Prasannan (flute), Elsa Shih (flute), Pei-Ying Pan (piano)

Wednesday 19 July 12:15pm - 1:00pm

Box Hill Quartet – playing Fauré Quartet, Op.1, No.15

Wednesday 26 July 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Dianne Halliday – Organ

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CONCERT AT ST ANDREW’S ON THE TERRACE, SUNDAY 9 JULY, 4pm

‘Catch 23’ — Sherry Grant performing 23 piano pieces by 23 NZ composers (same multimedia programme as in my June Asian concert tour in 3 other countries) matched by 23 artworks by 23 NZ artists and my poetry. This is part of the celebration of Katherine Mansfield Centenary, as Sherry is the artistic director of International KM100NZ Festival, to take place online in Nov 2023.

www.artsinfinitypress.com/km100nz

VIGIL FOR UGANDA

Talofa lava St Andrew's family,

A group of Rainbow Christians in Wellington have organised a vigil to pray for our rainbow siblings in Uganda where recent legislation has brought extreme punishments, including the death penalty, against LGBT people. I want to extend the invitation to your community to gather with us, pray, keep silence, light candles, as well as hear from several activists in Uganda who have passed on messages to us. There will also be a collection where all koha will be passed on to Rainbow activist organisations in Uganda.

Details on Facebook: www.facebook.com/events/811393743731936

Feel free to advertise within your networks if you know anyone who may be interested!

Blessings,

Michael Toy

PhD Candidate, Religious Studies, VUW

KUMUTOTO COMMUNITY ORCHARD - BLESSING & FIRST PLANTING

Monday July 17, 2023 - 11am To 12pm.

Kumutoto Field, entrance next to 214 The Terrace. This will be a lovely new asset to communities living close by.

Mark Noyes (He/Him)

Community Team Leader, Connected Communities, Wellington City Council

GOETHE-INSTITUT EVENT

Guten Tag,

You are warmly invited to the music video release of 'Eisprinz' on 21 July, a brand new song by this year's artist in residence An Jay. The music video was shot in March at the Massey University studios and features An Jay together with pianist Olive Blyth, bass player Alex Cooper and drummer Abe Baillie.

The event will include a live performance by the Wellington based musicians and An Jay will attend virtually from Berlin to talk about the project. Come by and be the first to see the music video!

When? 21 July 2023, 5.30pm

Where? Goethe-Institut, 150 Cuba Street, Wellington

The event is free but RSVP is essential to: info.wellington@goethe.de

We are looking forward to seeing you there,

Your Goethe-Institut team

UPCOMING CHOIR CONCERT



NORTHERN CHORALE

Mainly Madrigals

with music by:

Berkahn, Morley, Gibbons and more



2pm, Sunday, July 23rd

Khandallah Town Hall

Tickets \$20

tickets available at the door

Afternoon Tea will be provided

29 May 2023

Dear Ecumenical Friend,

Library Appeal for Theological Colleges in the Pacific

Bula Vinaka! Warm greetings from the Pacific Theological College in Suva, Fiji Islands. PTC is starting a library appeal to assist our local theological schools in the Pacific region. After several travels to the region, and will continue to do so this year and next, the most common issues I have witnessed faced by most theological schools is the need to upgrade their libraries with new recent research materials. Most of the books found in Pacific theological libraries are either old or outdated.

One of the issues of injustices faced by the Pacific region is access to recent research and publications due to costs controlled by mainstream publishers, hence the reason why PTC has launched its own Press last year to serve the needs of our local theological schools and churches: <https://ptc.ac.fj/ptc-press>. Fortunately, there are other organizations who are able to assist with free access to articles and books such as SBL. But we still have a long way to go in terms of printed materials. This issue is not limited to the Pacific, but to many theological schools in the global south.

We are seeking your kind assistance on this matter. We are requesting for any books that you can donate would be very much appreciated. Theological e-books or e-copies would be a good start. I've enclosed a link below to upload any ebooks or e-copies of books, <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/139IDFvqO3aefARBO1gfkizubCERyq2yR?usp=sharing>. A Google login page appears where you login using your Google accounts or if you are already logged in. Once in, you can right click anywhere on the page and select "Upload Files", browse your e-files to upload. I've copied here our IT staff, Nitesh, if help is needed for uploading.

However if you wish to donate printed books, PTC is willing to pay for the freight to be shipped to PTC plus duty. All donated books will be distributed evenly to all theological schools in the Pacific region. We are looking forward to your kind donations and support.

Sincerely,



Upolu Lumā Vaal
PRINCIPAL

RAINBOW WELLINGTON WINTER UPDATE

Due to Matariki falling on our usual Friday Drinks night, we are having them a week early.

This month we are at **Southern Cross Garden Bar**, 39 Abel Smith Street (the Garden area) from **5:30pm** until whenever you want!

Please note that most venues are no longer providing us with free snacks :(

VUW Linguistics PhD Questionnaire

Are you a member of the Rainbow community? We're recruiting participants for a study on how queer women and femme-aligned people speak in different settings.

What will the study entail? Participants will be asked to record themselves speaking in various settings in their day-to-day life and later partake in speech recordings in a lab. Participants will receive \$75 in e-gift vouchers as a thank you!

For more info or to sign up, please contact Aimee at aimee.herubin@vuw.ac.nz

How to join Rainbow Wellington

If you want to become a financial member for the first time, go to <https://www.joinit.org/o/rainbow-wellington> and choose the option that fits you.

Why join Rainbow Wellington?

Choosing to join Rainbow Wellington means that you will be:

- * Joining an organisation with 25 years of advocacy and support for members of our rainbow communities.
- * Able to have a voice at the AGM.
- * Attending special member-only events.

Facebook has a large number of LGBTQ+ groups that you can join. Find out more at <https://rainbowwellington.org.nz/wellington-community-groups-services>

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	Lynette & Brian Burrell
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Tony Pears, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Sandra & Tony Kirby, Vivienne Mountier
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Gavin Watson
Prayers of the People	Jenn Keenan
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 16 July

Welcoming	Jim & Maxine Cunningham
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Jenn & Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	David Douglas, Sally Gray, Katrina Harper
Family Time	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Anna Smith
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 9 July: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai and Rev Dr Frank Hanson, followed by Younger members' group

Wednesday 12 July: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Lunchtime concert – Wellywind Trio

Sunday 16 July: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by Congregational Conversation

Wednesday 19 July: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Lunchtime concert – Box Hill Quartet

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

1st Sunday Communion service followed by Exploring Faith.

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

3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation and Younger members' (Y) group meets after morning tea/brunch

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	Sue Hirst
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Care Team	Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Maxine Cunningham, Katrina Harper, Lois Robertson
Church Music Coordinator	Vacant
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Eco Church Coordinator	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Faith in Action Coordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Vacant
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Christine Wilkinson
Facilities Assistant(s)	Maddie Fenn, Oscar Ruegg
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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