



ORDER OF SERVICE

21 JANUARY 2024

Third Sunday in Epiphany



Milford Sound Aotearoa NZ

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.

We seek to be a community that is safe and welcoming for everyone regardless of sexual orientation, relationship status, gender identity or expression, sex characteristics, age, mental and physical abilities, mental health, neurotype, economic power, ethnicity, faith or belief.

We recognise that being inclusive is an ongoing journey and we are continuing to learn. We are committed to challenging discrimination within the church and wider society.

Please join in the congregational responses printed in **bold italics**. Please stand if you are able, for the hymns and the offering prayer. We usually sing the hymns without announcement.

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 "Highwood"

by R.R. Terry (1868-1938)

CALL TO WORSHIP

We have come from the North, South, East and West to gather here at St. Andrew's on The Terrace.

Epiphany God, shake us out of our complacency and stir in us the hope for a new present, a hopeful tomorrow so that we as the face of Jesus in this world may be able to make a difference. May that difference be with the people we meet both in and outside of our community and may that difference have an influence in global issues of justice and peace.

SILENCE

GATHERING

We gather in this place of welcome

Our presence together makes this space sacred

We gather for a time of reflection

May we be more aware of the presence of the sacred

We gather and reaffirm the impulse of the sacred towards justice and peace

Let us celebrate life in the presence we name God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

CH4 198 'Let us build a house'

Words and music: Marty Haugen

Tune: TWO OAKS

- 1. 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: All are welcome in this place.
- 2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: All are welcome in this place.
- 3. 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: All are welcome in this place.
- 4. 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: All are welcome in this place.
- 5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome in this place.

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 lesu 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 morning tea in the hall after church.

OPENING PRAYER Rex Hunt

As we gather, let us affirm the connection we have: with each other, and with that creative mystery we call God.

May we remain open to the unfolding of all that can be celebrated, all that can be learned, all that can be done, all that can be, without diminishing the life of others.

May it be so.

JESUS' PRAYER

© Rev Sherri Weinberg

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 wrong doings.
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
forever and ever.
Amen.

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

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

FAMILY TIME

Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

PASSING THE PEACE

Our practice is to pass the peace with or without shaking hands, and say "peace be with you"

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Frank Hanson

Hebrew Bible Jonah 3:1-5, 10

New Testament Mark 1:14-20

Contemporary Reading

Epiphany

By Walter Brueggemann (b. 1933)

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On Epiphany day,
we are still the people walking.
We are still people in the dark,
and the darkness looms large around us,
beset as we are by fear,
anxiety,
brutality,
violence,
loss —
a dozen alienations that we cannot manage.
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We are - we could be - people of your light.

So we pray for the light of your glorious presence
as we wait for your appearing;
we pray for the light of your wondrous grace
as we exhaust our coping capacity;
we pray for your gift of newness that
will override our weariness;
we pray that we may see and know and hear and trust
in your good rule

That we may have energy, courage, and freedom to enact your rule through the demands of this day.

We submit our day to you and to your rule, with deep joy and high hope.

RESPONSE

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

WOV 662 'God of the ages by whose hand'

Words: Elisabeth Havens Burrowes 1885-1975

Tune: HEREFORD



- 1 God of the ages, by whose hand through years long past our lives were led, give us new courage now to stand, new faith to find the paths ahead.
- 2 You are the thought beyond all thought, the gift beyond our utmost prayer; no farthest reach where you are not, no height but we may find you there.
- 3 Lift up our hearts, and set us free from wild alarms and trembling fears; in your strong hand eternally rests the unfolding of the years.
- 4 Though there be dark uncharted space, with worlds on worlds beyond our sight, still may we trust your love and grace, and wait your word, 'Let there be light.'

Elisabeth Havens Burrowes 1885-1975 alt.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

"The Summons"

By John Bell & Graham Maule

HYMN

'Past and present with our dreaming'

Words: © William L Wallace Music: WOV 478 CWM RHONDDA

- 1. Past and present, with our dreaming, Join to make us what we are; ancient wisdom, ancient follies shape the way we love and care: Give us reverence, give us wisdom, From the past for life today.
- 2. Make us mindful of each moment – ev'ry force, each strength, each flaw; free us from those empty longings which consume us more and more: Give us vision, give us courage, For this present age of change.
- 3. We must face the future's challenge to create a better earth hand in hand with all who labour dream and suffer for its birth, For through sharing, and through caring We shall build community.

OFFERING MUSIC

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

American Folk Song

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts' verse 2

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Colin Gibson

Tune: TALAVERA TERRACE

Take the fruit that I have gathered from the tree your Spirit sowed, harvest of your own compassion, juice that makes the wine of God; spiced with humour, laced with laughter flavour of the Jesus life, tang of risk, and new adventure, taste and zest beyond belief.

OFFERING PRAYER

We are thankful for all we ourselves have received. We acknowledge the privilege of having homes, food and drink, beds, and light and heat when necessary. May our gifts bless those who receive them. 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

Anna Smith

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Egypt and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Egypt. 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 Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan (List) and Suze Redmayne (Rangitīkei). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of St Paul's Union Church, Pahiatua.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

Bless your people, God and renew our life in this place. Refresh us with a spirit of love and respect for all who follow the Jesus Way, for those whose pathways differ from our own, and for care of the Earth and its creatures.

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

HYMN

HIOS 31 'From this holy time'

Words: © Marnie Barrell
Music: LAUDATE DOMINUM WOV 83

- 1. From this holy time, from this sacred space, we go now to serve, our own day and place, committed to follow the way Jesus trod: do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with God.
- He lives in our midst, though gone from our sight, baptized in his name we walk in his light: we treasure his presence, example and word: do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with God.

BLESSING

May the peace of the Epiphany God, the joyful peace of finding, the enlightening peace of seeing, the challenging peace of understanding, the radical peace of following a different route, energise and encourage you as you travel onwards.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE March from "Scipio"

by G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

THANK YOU Peter Franklin

our musician today

ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE WELCOMES ALL VISITORS

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

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ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

LLOYD JOBSON

It is with much sadness that Sarah & I share the news Lloyd passed away on Wednesday morning at Mary Potter Hospice. A cremation has been held and a private tree planting ceremony will be held at a later date.

Whilst we will miss him deeply, we are grateful he is no longer in pain and is finally at peace.

Sarah and I are taking a few days to grieve privately together therefore we would prefer not to have visitors at this time.

We appreciate all the kind thoughts and prayers of the St Andrews Community. Thank you from Molly & Sarah

FEI'S BEEN HACKED!

Dear friends, my emails been hacked. Please do not respond to any requests for buying \$300 Apple vouchers for me. It's not me. Thank you. Fei

WHO OWNS THE HOLY LAND?

We still have available some copies of Lloyd Geering's 2001 book *Who owns the Holy Land?*, based on his lecture series delivered in that year and published by the St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society. If you would like to obtain a copy, please contact the office, either in person or by e-mail (Office@standrews.org.nz). A contribution in the range of \$5-\$10 would be much appreciated.

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.

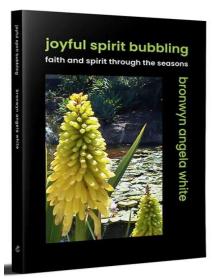
SUPPORT FOR DCM (DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY MINISTRY)

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.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

BOOK: JOYFUL SPIRIT BUBBLING by Bronwyn White



Kapiti Coast writer Bronwyn Angela White's new book — **Joyful Spirit Bubbling:** Faith and Spirit Through the Seasons is now available to purchase.

This poetic exploration of Aotearoa New Zealand's seasons, infused with Māori elements, invites readers to engage in worship through poems and prayers. It celebrates diverse talents, acknowledges cultural contributions, and urges a pursuit of peace and justice, creating a vibrant tapestry of gratitude for life's sacred moments.

Joyful Spirit Bubbling journeys through the seasons in Aotearoa New Zealand, capturing the essence of summer – December, January, February – and moving through Autumn and Winter to end with the revival and hope of Spring.

We invite you to also check out Bronwyn's earlier book:

Something New to Say: Words of Spirit, Faith and Celebration for Advent and Christmas - 2nd edition

Both of Bronwyn's titles are available as print books and eBooks and can be purchased from Philip Garside Books Bronwyn's website: https://spiritandfaithwords.com/

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE GAZA PALESTINE EMERGENCY APPEAL



Christian World Service has launched an <u>emergency appeal</u> to assist people who have been affected by the current conflict in the Middle East, particularly Gaza.

"The people of Gaza are living in harrowing conditions with limited resources, and we cannot

stand idly by while they suffer... Our collective efforts can make a significant difference in the lives of those trapped in this nightmarish situation," DSPR. Funds raised will meet some of the urgent needs of people through our long term partner the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR). In Gaza, DSPR is providing shelter, food and support to people who have fled the north and who have

lost homes. DSPR is an integral part of the local community. It is preparing to help many more people as soon as it practically can with:

- Food
- hygiene kits
- shelter

- medications and medical treatment
- psychosocial support

Donations can be made through CWS:

- Online and by direct deposit to the Gaza Palestine Emergency Appeal
- By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 72
- By Post to: CWS, PO Box 22652, Christchurch 8140

NB: CWS is a member of ACT Alliance a coalition of over 140 churches working together on humanitarian, development in over 120 countries.

RELIEFAID APPEAL FOR GAZA



Another option is ReliefAid which is on the ground delivering humanitarian aid in Gaza, where families face unprecedented horror.

As we have done in other conflicts, ReliefAid is once again bringing help where it is needed most. Leveraging our established networks on the ground, we have deployed a team within Gaza to deliver life-saving aid directly to families.

Donations can be made here: www.reliefaid.org.nz/gaza-appeal/ Together we will make a difference. Thank you. Mike Seawright, Founder and Chief Executive

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 and Brian Burrell
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Bridget Martin, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Sally Gray, Janet Horncy (CG), David Douglas
Family Time	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin

On duty Sunday 28 January	
Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Paul Franken, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Katrina Harper
Family Time	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
Readings	Gillian Feist
Prayers of the People	TBA
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Pauline Patchett
Musician	Bruce Corkill

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 21 January: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Congregational Conversation and Younger Members (Y) group meets after morning tea.

Wednesday 24 January: 10:30amn - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

Sunday 28 January: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Social Justice Education Group.

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
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	David Douglas
Church Music Coordinator	Vacant
Eco Church Coordinator	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Faith in Action Coordinator	Paul Barber
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Vacant
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Christine Wilkinson
Facilities Assistant(s)	H. Wilkinson, O. Ruegg, L. Oakley, M. Barber

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