



# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**25 FEBRUARY 2024** 

# 2nd Sunday in Lent



#### 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**

## Somewhere in your dreams

by Heather Hammond (arr. Richard Lloyd)

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

On this second Sunday of Lent we join Jesus above Jerusalem; a human moment of despairing love. Today we consider what his reaction would be what ours would be, should we stand on Mt Victoria and consider how humanity treats the right and true, the good and the loving. Would we leap with joy or, too, weep tears of pain?

#### **SILENCE**

#### **GATHERING**

The Lenten journey continues

We walk with Jesus this path of danger and risk;

Along the way we are meeting with others

Those who walked the path with him as we do now

Jesus himself in desert conditions, dazzled disciples, an estranged

Samaritan, a man born blind and his family, and two grieving sisters;

## And then the usual Holy Week crowd;

A motley company of people much like us,

## Different time and place, but our common humanity the same.

All are welcome as we walk this Lenten path together

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## FFS 67 'We are many we are one'

Words and Music: Colin Gibson

Tune: HAMILTON

- 1. We are many, we are one, and the work of Christ is done when we learn to live in true community, as the stars that fill the night, as a flock of birds in flight, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine; as the branches of a tree, as the waves upon the sea, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.
- 2. All division is made whole when we honour every soul, find the life of God in every you and me, as the fingers of a hand, as the grains that form the sand, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine; as the threads upon the loom, as a field of flowers in bloom, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.
- 3. We will join creation's song, make a world where all belong, build as one in peace and loving harmony, as the voices of a choir, as the flames within a fire, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine; as the snowflakes in the snow, as the colours of a bow, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

#### **WELCOME**

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa Lava

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**

Gracious God, Lent is a time for reflection a time for letting go and contemplation.

Be with us in our thinking, our rambling, our mumbling, our confusion.

Be with us through all our emotions of joy, sorrow, sadness and thankfulness.

Enter into our time of worship that we may find you in the presence of those who also gather around us today.

Still us in the silence. Amen.

#### **JESUS' PRAYER**

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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 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 Cam Smart

#### **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 John Harper

Hebrew Bible Psalm 22:23-31

New Testament Mark 8:31-38

Contemporary Reading

**Awakening** 

By Betty Johnson

I gave you no boundaries for all that I had...

I joined you in quest of your dreams

I unwisely allowed you to move in with me...

but you took everything to extremes

You left me not even one keepsake...

you had to exploit all it seems

So you finally reduced me to nonentity...

but you've lost too with your selfish schemes

I once possessed many luxurious things...

a home and a fancy sports car

My left hand proudly sported a bright diamond ring...

that shimmered like a twinkling star

I naively gave you a heart full of love...

you gave me an invisible scar

You're careless; you're thoughtless; you're selfish...

I hate it but can't change who you are

It's safe to say we've hit rock bottom...

and I for one don't like the views

You cannot get blood from a turnip, they say...

as you know we don't have much left to lose

Through thick and thin I have stood by you...

so I will say that I've paid my dues

But I never once received what I needed from you... though I begged you, you simply refused I'm appalled I allowed your careless discount... for all I held important to me At first I lost only possessions... then you cost me my family It's hard to believe I was so blinded by you... that I honestly chose not to see You were completely erasing all that I was... the very essence of me I'm at last weary of being a prisoner... engulfed wholly by your sinister cell So now quickly, before I'm completely dissolved... by those ravenous waves you expel I'll frantically climb Jacobs ladder... to be free of this self imposed Hell "Get thee behind me, Satan" ... for I'm no longer under your spell I'm now going to wipe clean the canvas... of this girls life you tried so hard to crush and as Leonardo da Vinci has done... I'll take in hand the artists brush and with the palette of my bleeding heart... from whence all my hopes and dreams gush I'll repaint the masterpiece I was s'posed to be... though sadly tis faint now my youthful blush.

#### **RESPONSE**

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

## CH4 533 'Will you come and follow me'

#### **HYMN**

Words: John L Bell and Graham Maule Tune: KELVINGROVE Trad Scottish arr John L Bell

- Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known? will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
- Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
- 4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

5. Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

REFLECTION

"What is your cross?"

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

**Gregorian Chant** 

**HYMN** 

AA 105 'O Christ who by a cross'

Words © 1992 Shirley Erena Murray Music: Sursum Corda WOV 182

- O Christ who by a cross made peace your sign, who gives your peace in water, bread and wine: O Spirit Christ who is our spirit's home, teach us the secret of the true shalom.
- 2. We speak of peace when in our hearts we war and, unforgiving, keep our grudges sore, we promise peace while yet we strive to win, and in our enemy, see not our kin.
- Two deaths now face the starving and the fed the blinding bomb, the simple lack of bread; with riches of the earth at our command, from weaponry to welcome, turn our hand.
- 4. The selfishness which is our human curse, the arsenal of hatred which we nurse -all are dispelled when in our hearts we say "There is no way to peace: peace is the way."

#### **OFFERING MUSIC**

Faafetai i le Atua (trad. Samoan)

#### OFFERING HYMN

## AA8 'Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You'

Words and Music: Richard Gillard verses 1-2
Tune: SERVANT 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.
- We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travellers on the road.
   We are here to help each other walk the mile, and bear the load.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

With humility we give thanks that we have goods and money we can give this day. We ask those distributing these resources will be gifted with wisdom and insight in the giving. We look to the day when all people will be gathered at the feast of love and satisfied in the ways they need satisfying.

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

**Hamish Dick** 

#### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Fiji and the Christian World Service partner the Ecumenical Centre for Research, Education and Advocacy in Fiji which aims to increase community awareness and action on economic justice, social issues and conflict resolution. 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 James Shaw (List) and Hon Penny Simmonds (Invercargill). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of St David's Multicultural Parish, Petone.

#### 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

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

## 'We shall go out with hope into tomorrow'

Words: June Boyce-Tillman (alt)
Tune: LONDONDERRY AIR
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- We shall go out with hope into tomorrow
  we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
  we shall go out and tell our stories boldly,
  tales of a love that will not let us go.
  We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted,
  we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
  we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
  within the vision of a new life in Christ.
- We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken; we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed, we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer, expressing love alive in every heart.
  We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping, raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief, we'll leap and dance Christ's resurrections story, including all within the circles of our love.

#### **BLESSING**

Go safely into this day and this week trusting that love is moving towards you, because the God of love will go with you and be with you in your encounters with people and situations.

**SUNG AMEN** 

**POSTLUDE** 

Prelude in C minor, BWV 546

by J S Bach (1685-1750)

**THANK YOU** 

Judy Dumbleton 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

#### "EXPLORING FAITH"

After our service and morning tea this morning you are welcome to gather in conference room 1-2 for the first "Exploring Faith" session for 2024. These 1st Sunday days of the month sessions in previous years have been both absorbing, interesting and thought-provoking. Sometimes it is some of our members simply sharing their faith journey, what faith has meant to them and to the extent that it has changed during their lifetime. Also, we might pick a particular topic and agree to explore that and see to what extent we think the same, or quite differently about the same thing. This Sunday it will be the former listening to "faith journeys".

#### SAOTT ANNIVERSARY SERVICE 2:00PM TODAY AT PITONE IONA CROSS

At 2pm we gather with the minister and members of Te Kakano o te Aroha at the Pitione (Petone) Iona Cross for a service commemorating the arrival of Rev John Macfarlane and settlers on the ship The Bengal and the founding of St. Andrews Parish in Wellington. I hope to see many of you there. Please bring a chair to sit on. Fei

#### ORGAN RECITAL AT ST. ANDREW'S ON SATURDAY MARCH 2ND AT 3 PM

Hans U. Hielscher, an organist of international repute, is coming over from Germany to New Zealand this year to give a series of organ recitals. The Wellington Organists Association has arranged for Hans to perform at St. Andrew's on the Terrace on Saturday March 2nd at 3 p.m.. The event will be open to the public and free to attend, with a request for koha to be made to offset costs. You are warmly invited to come along to hear the organ being played by this award-winning organist.

#### ST ANDREW'S SUSTAINABILITY TIPS...

As part of our St Andrew's sustainability group activities we have a regular space in the enews to share events and resources. If you have ideas or events to share this month please contact Sonia. My email: soniapetrie@gmail.com)

Book recommendations from Dick Keller. These are available for borrowing: "An Inconvenient Apocalypse" by Robert Jensen and Wes Jackson A look at where humanity on this planet is heading and how we need to approach it.

"The Path to a Livable Future" by Stan Cox of The Land Institute.

The several major challenges (crises) we face are all related and can be approached with a 'the future is less' philosophy.

"Any Way You Slice It' by San Cox Rationing for a future.

"Fen, Bog, and Swamp" by Annie Proulx
The importance of peatland for our future; readable, entertaining, and important

Update to recycling batteries: RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Household batteries can be dropped off for FREE at Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Te Awe Library (Brandon St), Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop.

Sustainability resource list: We have created a resource document with useful links to sustainability organisations within the Wellington region, recycling guides, repair cafes and more! You can access the document here

SA's sustainability group: If you are interested in environmental issues and what part St Andrew's can play in this, consider joining our sustainability group. We meet on the last Monday night of each month online (so you don't need to be Wellington based!), If you're interested in in finding out more have a chat to Sonia or email me on: soniapetrie@gmail.com

#### **WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES**



## UNITED IN SORROW, A SILENT VIGIL

The Wellington Abrahamic Council, The Wellington Cathedral of St Paul, and the Religious Diversity Centre invite you to a Silent Vigil.

# Wednesday 28 February 2024, 5:30-7:00pm at Wellington Cathedral of St Paul, 2 Hill Street, Wellington

The event will provide a sacred space for those impacted by violence, to grieve their personal loss, and to give public expression to the grief for all united alongside them. There will be periods of shared silence, music, and meditative reflection, with light vegetarian refreshments served afterwards.

As this is a peaceful gathering, no flags, banners, symbols or patches, please.

#### **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	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Bridget Martin, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Marilyn Wallace (CG), David Douglas
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Hamish Dick
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Judy Dumbleton

On duty Sunday 3 March	
Welcoming	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Ben Grey
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Lynette Burrell, Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Sally Gray
Family Time	Ellen Murray
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Communion	Lynne Dovey, Kath Kerr, Doug Lendrum, Cam
	Smart, Sonia Groes-Petrie, Janet Martin
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin

#### This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

**Sunday 25 February: 10am** Sunday Gathering Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

followed by Social Justice Education Group

**2pm** SAOTT Anniversary Service at Pitone Iona Cross

Wednesday 21 February: 10:30amn - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

Sunday 3 March: 10am Sunday Gathering Communion service led by Rev Dr Fei

Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith

#### 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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