



ORDER OF SERVICE

4th AUGUST 2024

PENTECOST 11



"YOU ARE THE MAN!"

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 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 Herr Gott, Dich Loben Alle Wir by G. Merkel (1827 – 1885)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sometimes when we are treated unjustly and those around us suffer as a consequence we feel alone.

Sometimes when those we love including our pets and creatures are abused and hurt we have no one to turn to.

In this time, in this space, be our beacon of hope our place to come and sit awhile in this sacred space.

To heal, to be heard, to be nurtured, to be loved.

SILENCE

GATHERING

Come away and rest awhile. Be still and know that I am God. You are called to be here, to be a part of a community of faith. Whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, **You are welcome here.**

Words: © Shirley Murray arr. John Bell Tune: GAELIC TRADITIONAL MELODY

- 1. Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.
- Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.
- 3. In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

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 morning tea iin the hall after church.

OPENING PRAYER

In a world of war and uncertainty, where violence continues to perpetuate more violence.

We bring our vulnerable selves living with this uncertainty, living with this hopelessness.

We want to move from being static witnesses to becoming more active, helping the vulnerable, the lost.

Lead us, guide us and give us a purpose and a vision. Hear our prayer. Amen.

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

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

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Mike Wespel-Rose

Hebrew Bible 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Gospel reading John 6:24-35

Contemporary Reading David & Bathsheba by Royston Allen

Great was the passion in David the king that drove him to do this dastardly thing. Uriah the Hittite had now been slain so that David his new conquest could gain.

The King of Israel was free to do
Those things that he had always wanted to
So Bathsheba became his new wife
and he was enjoying his kingly life

Time passed by and David had forgotten his deeds so shameful and so rotten But God remembered and saw everything And sent Nathan the prophet to see the king

Nathan stood before king David now and began to explain to David how a rich man, poor man and little ewe lamb became entangled in a dangerous game.

The rich man took everything and killed the ewe And there was nothing the poor man could do. David the shepherd king ranted and raved He thought that the rich man was so depraved.

Saying "As sure as the Lord lives he should die," "Tell me who he is." Was the king's reply "YOU ARE THE MAN, "Nathan the prophet said Filling the king with foreboding and dread.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

AA160 'Will you offer me compassion?'

Words © John Weir Music © Douglas News

- Will you offer me compassion?
 Will you walk the road with me?
 Brother, sister will you feed me ripe fruit from the Mercy Tree?
- Will you utter words of comfort?
 Will you bless me with your peace?
 Mercy is the gift I long for:
 mercy from the Mercy Tree.
- I do not deserve your loving, brother, sister, yet I plead – I am human, I have need of mercy from the Mercy Tree.
- 4. If you offer me your friendship, if you make your peace with me, mercy will most surely touch you: mercy from the Mercy Tree.

REFLECTION: "Privilege and entitlement" Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

Litany

Holy God, this day we pause, and we reflect

We are deeply saddened at what has occurred in the life of our nation and our national church

Saddened and distressed that vulnerable people have been hurt

Hurt in situations and places where they should have been safe

We think of Jesus who came so that all may have fullness of life

And acknowledge that (instead) in our church some have been denied that

We think of the courage it would have taken for people to tell their stories

And the pain and distress that would be there in the telling, and the hearing

As a church we grieve for the wounds people have to bear

And regret that this has happened within our church communities

Through time and space, the church has failed to protect vulnerable people, and given a safe haven to those in power

And that weighs heavily on us all here and now

Our human condition is frail and has its shadow side

And often we find that hard to admit to ourselves and hard to bear in others God what are we to do?

We call out to you in sincere humility and deep need

(Pause in silence....)

We give thanks that this darkness can be brought to the light of Christ

And in that light, we pray that there may be healing and justice

In the light we pray that we can all learn from the mistakes of the past

And ensure that the present and future is guided by your Holy Spirit

So that all may feel safe and protected

That integrity, justice and honesty be hallmarks of our church

We pray that we can hold the tension of the reality of life and the hope that comes in Christ

And that in all things you are at work - in the brokenness, in the pain, in the healing

Gracious God, enfold your broken church in your loving embrace

And enable us to be the people that you call us to be

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Pentatonix "Hallelujah"

Words and music: Sydney Carter © Stainer & Bell Ltd

1. When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there? When I needed a neighbour, were you there?

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter. Were you there?

2. I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there? I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter. Were you there?

3. When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there? When I needed a shelter, were you there?

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter. Were you there?

4. Wherever you travel, I'll be there, I'll be there. Wherever you travel, I'll be there.

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter. I'll be there?

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"Aberystwyth" by Joseph Parry (1841 - 1908)

OFFERING HYMN

WOV 561 'Kneels at the Feet'

Words: Tom Colvin Ghana Folk Melody verse 1

 Kneels at the feet of his friends silently washes their feet: master who acts as a slave to them

Refrain

Yesu, Yesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve, the neighbours we have from you.

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

People share notices. 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. Thank you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Jordan and the National Christian Council in Jordan and Muslim people in Jordan and throughout the world. We hold all refugees in our hearts and pray in particular for those who are still detained in Australia. We give thanks that we in New Zealand have at last secured the chance to welcome 450 of this group over the next 3 years. We pray that more will have the opportunity to be resettled in the near future. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Hon Melissa Lee (list) and Nancy Lu (list) Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Whanganui – St James' Presbyterian Church.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN FFS 17 'For everyone born, a place at the table' 3 verses

Words © Shirley Murray Music © Colin Gibson

1. For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing for everyone born, a star overhead.

REFRAIN

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

2. For young and for old, a place at the table a voice to be heard, a part in the song. the hand of a child in hands that are wrinkle, for young and for old, the right to belong.

REFRAIN

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

3. For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free.

REFRAIN

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community, and all are invited to Christ's table. Wherever you are on your faith's 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.

The Great Prayer:

God of Peace

We are nurtured and sustained as your people.

We are blessed with abundance and graciousness.

We are gifted with health and wholeness.

We are called to work for justice and peace; to share your table with all creation;

to feed the hungry and to see that no one is left in need.

This Table of Shalom is spread with the gifts of creation;

gifts given for all to share in equality and justice and peace; a table where all are accepted.

As followers of Jesus we celebrate the open table, proclaimed by Jesus our liberator and our example, a table of abundant life, inclusive love and redemptive liberation. In the power of the creative Spirit, Jesus lived life to the full, We, too, are blessed in the power of that same Spirit, which we now invoke upon all gathered here to celebrate the transformative energy symbolised in these gifts of bread and wine

given to nourish and sustain us as we work for justice and peace.

We remember how Jesus took bread, blessed it and broke it and gave it to his followers. We give thanks for the bread of life.

We remember how Jesus took a cup of wine and blessed it and offered it to his followers.

We give thanks for the cup of solidarity and empowerment.

May the creative Spirit who energises these gifts, activate in our hearts a hunger for that justice that will bring sustenance and peace to all people.

We offer this prayer in union with all God's people, living and dead, and particularly with those working for justice and peace in our world

May we all be held together by that love which knows no bounds. Amen.

The Bread and Wine are served

(Our communion bread is gluten and dairy free) Please come forward as you are able. The minister will come and serve you if you are unable.

Sing: Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be thirsty ... Prayer As we have received the hospitality of Shalom so let us go to share it with others.

FFS 67 'We are many we are one'

CLOSING HYMN

Words and Music: Colin Gibson
Tune: HAMILTON

 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.

BLESSING

Peace is like a river. It rises and falls - sometimes it floods. Be watchful. Be alert. Find ways to make peace in the places where it hurts.

May you sense the love of God with you and in the world

May you experience the grace of Jesus Christ in your life and your life with others

May you feel the presence of the Holy Spirit making all things new.

Go in peace.

Amen

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 49 'May the God of new beginnings'
Words © John Murray Music © Colin Gibson

May the God of new beginnings, start with you and me. May the God of continuing story, speak through you and me. May the God of infinite wisdom, shine through you and me. May the God of safe homecomings, welcome you and me.

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune & Air by H. Purcell (1659 – 1695)

THANK YOU Peter Franklin our musician today

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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

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS



Wednesday 7 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm Jia Ling, Chiense Guzheng (zither) and Pei-Ying Pan, piano



Wednesday 14 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm Classic Voice Students of the NZSM



Wednesday 21 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm Middle Fiddles – Wellington Viola Academy

EXPLORING FAITH

After our service and morning tea this Sunday 4 August you are welcome to gather in Conference Room 3 for the 6th "Exploring Faith" session for 2024. These 1st Sundays of the month sessions have been absorbing, interesting and thought-provoking. This month it will be one of our members simply sharing her faith journey, what faith has meant to her during her lifetime. For any questions about this, or if you would be interested in sharing your faith story sometime in the future, please contact Barrie Keenan at barrie@keenan.co.nz or 027 285 7275.

PALOMA BRUCE - GIVE A LITTLE FUNDRAISING PAGE

Paloma Bruce recently starting attending St. Andrew's parish. She is fundraising for an electric wheelchair on Givealittle. Paloma has Functional Neurological Disorder (FND) which causes problems with her nervous system. Her symptoms fluctuate so sometimes she can walk and other times cannot, sometimes resulting in temporary paralysis. An electric wheelchair would help her to get around the house more easily and to get out of the house more independently including going to church. Thank you for your support! https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/an-electric-wheelchair-for-paloma

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.

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.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING CONCERT – THE AURUM TRIO (FLUTE/CELLO/HARP) – 4TH AUGUST

The Trio is Barbara Hill (flute), Robert Ibell (cello) and Michelle Velvin (harp). Maurice Ravel, Sonatine en Trio, Ernst von Dohnanyi, Ruralia Hungarica Op 32 (cello and harp), Marc Berthomieu, Cinq Nuances (flute and harp), Jacques Ibert, Deux Interludes, Claude Debussy, Reverie Heitor Villa-Lobos, The Jet Whistle (flute and cello) Georges Bizet, Entr'acte (Carmen) Emil Kronke, Cavatina and Tarantella from "Suite Italienne. \$40 Per ticket, St Andrews on The Terrace. 3pm – 5pm.

JANE KELLER'S UPCOMING SOLO SHOW - 27 JULY - 17 AUGUST

'LEAVE 'EM LAUGHING'

36 years ago Jane Keller followed her heart and emigrated to New Zealand bringing her fabulous talents to our shores. Comedy ensued. Over the years Jane's five sold out solo shows dealing with such diverse topics as love, loss, motherhood, auditions, ageing, weight, nudity, divorce, middle age revenge porn, boomers, and in 2021 an intimate history of the Gershwins – delighted audiences nationwide. Join Jane and pianist Michael Nicholas Williams for the best of Jane's 25+ years of collaboration in this marvellous musical memoir. Guaranteed to make your heart sing and leave you laughing for Jane's final show. Circa Theatre, \$25 – \$38

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE GAZA PALESTINE EMERGENCY APPEAL

Christian World Service has launched an emergency appeal to assist people who have been affected by the current conflict in the Middle East, particularly Gaza. Nearly 85% of the population – 1.9 million people have been displaced in Gaza. They are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and safety. "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."

Donations can be made through CWS:

- Online and by direct deposit via https://cws.org.nz/donate-to-the-gazapalestine-appeal/
- By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 72

NB: CWS is a member of https://actalliance.org, 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 emergency aid to families. The situation in Gaza is catastrophic, the death toll rises daily and families have nowhere to flee. Compounding the distress, Gaza's closed borders have made humanitarian access all but impossible, leaving families lost, abandoned and without the basics needed to survive. Despite these monumental challenges, ReliefAid is NOW delivering aid in Gaza. 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	Pam Fuller and Jeni Bryant		
Sound	Ben Gray		
Laptop	Sue Hirst		
Offering	Mike Wespel-Rose and Tony Pears		
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Simon Miller and Jenn Keenan		
Family Time	Cam Smart		
Readings	Mike Wespel-Rose		
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey (CG)		
Communion	Maxine Cunningham, Ellen Murray, Barrie Keenan, Cam Smart, Paul		
	Barber and Sonia Groes-Petrie		
Rainbow Room	In Recess		
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose		
Musician	Peter Franklin		
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai		

On duty August 11th			
Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell		
Sound	Sue Hirst		
Laptop	Sue Hirst (CG)		
Offering	Paul Franken and Bridget Martin		
Coffee/tea	David Douglas, Maxine Cunningham, Marilyn Wallace and Sally Gray		
Family Time	Dawn Cowdry		
Readings	John Harper		
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith		
Rainbow Room	In Recess		
Library	Anna Smith		
Musician	Bruce Corkill		
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai		

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 4th August: 10am Communion Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith.

Wednesday 7th August July: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Jia Ling, Chinese Guzheng (zither) and Pei-Ying Pan, piano

Sunday 11th August: 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 followe	dhν	Exploring Faith.
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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	Jemma Ballantyne
Facilities Assistant(s)	R. MacConghie, O. Ruegg, M. Barber, L. Oakley, F. Neeley-Grant

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