



ORDER OF SERVICE

18th AUGUST 2024

PENTECOST 13



"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"

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

Elevation by Lefebure-Wely (1817-69)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rebecca A Edmiston-Lange

Come in.

Come into this place which we make happy by our presence.

Come in with all your vulnerabilities and strengths,

fears and anxieties, loves and hopes.

For here you need not hide, nor pretend,

nor be anything other than who you are and are called to be. Come into this place where we can touch and be touched, heal and be healed, forgive and be forgiven.

Come into this place, where the ordinary is sanctified, the human is celebrated, the compassionate is expected. Come into this place. Together we make it a holy place.

SILENCE

GATHERING

Compassion isn't just between you and me, compassion needs to spread throughout our nation, compassion needs to reach out around the world. Compassion and kindness breed unity and peace. Can we play the game with kindness and mercy? Can we play the compassion card wherever we are?

'And did those feet in former times'

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Words: © Susan Jones 2000 Tune: JERUSALEM CH 106

- 1. And did those feet in former times walk upon scree and tussock brown and did the man, Jesus the Christ cross mountains high and rolling downs? and did he know the morning mist? and did he know the harbour's sheen? and did he love this cityscape its terraced streets, the urban scene?
- 2. And does he still walk this our land, talking and laughing with us yet? And does he know that stab of need when neighbours snub, and worse, neglect? And is he there when wine is poured? And is he there when bread's prepared? And does he smile when friends are there? And does he weep when they are not?
- 3. Be with us Christ, as we step out.
 Come with us on our lifelong quest.
 Be our true guide, on our right hand, be with us, walking and at rest.
 So, we will know life to the full, be there to see us through the night.
 For we would be your followers pursue your Way with all our might.

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 in the hall after church.

OPENING PRAYER

Gather us in as a mother hen gathers her chicks beneath her wings. May this time of worship be a sacred time of reflection, listening and singing, a time of wondering and meditating, a time of coming together as a community of faith to share in fellowship with one another. 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 Frank Cook

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

Jim Cunningham

Hebrew Bible 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Gospel Reading John 6:51-58

Contemporary Reading

"I am not a Cannibal"

by Kelly Stanchina

It was my habit as a freshman to attend daily Mass on my university campus. As I was leaving Mass one day, I ran into the boyfriend of a friend. We'll call him "Brian." He was a senior—and haughty. He had hopes of becoming an evangelical minister one day and starting his own church. He was also deeply suspicious of Catholics and didn't hesitate to attack my faith when he could.

As he looked up to see me leaving the chapel, he smiled and said, "Daily Mass, huh?"

"Yes," I said, thinking he might be moved by the fact that we celebrate Mass daily. He wasn't.

"Your little daily cannibalism, huh?" he said, smirking.

It was such an offensive thought, and though this argument was nothing new to the Church, it was an insult I had never heard before. I was struck dumb. He started to pass me when I tossed out, "I am not a cannibal."

"You Catholics," he retorted smugly, "You eat Christ's flesh and drink his blood, that's cannibalism."

I stammered and said, "That's not what we do!" mortified by his claim. But he shrugged past me, snorting, "You don't even know your own religion." He was gone before I could come up with a meaningful retort.

(Kelly Stanchina is the award-winning author of ten books, including Love Like a Saint: Cultivating Virtue with Holy Women).

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

FFS 50 'Nothing is Lost on the breath of God'

Words and Music © Colin Gibson Tune GREENLANE

- Nothing is lost on the breath of God,
 Nothing is lost forever;
 God's breath is love, and that love will remain,
 holding the world for ever.
 No feather too light, no hair too fine,
 no flower too brief in its glory;
 no drop in the ocean, no dust in the air,
 but is counted and told in God's story.
- Nothing is lost to the eyes of God,
 Nothing is lost forever,
 God sees with love, and that love will remain,
 holding the world for ever.
 No journey too far, no distance too great,
 no valley of darkness too blinding;
 no creature too humble, no child too small,
 for God to be seeking and finding.
- 3. Nothing is lost to the heart of God, Nothing is lost forever; God's heart is love, and that love will remain, holding the world for ever. No impulse of love, no office of care, no moment of life in its fullness; no beginning too late, no ending too soon but is gathered and known in God's goodness.

REFLECTION: Daily bread as bread of life Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Onward Towards Dawn - Jesse Cook

HYMN

AA 160 'Will you offer me compassion?'

Words © 1993 John Weir Music © 1993 Douglas News

- 1. Will you offer me compassion? Will you walk the road with me? Brother, sister will you feed me Ripe fruit from the Mercy Tree?
- 2. 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
- 3. 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

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Sicilienne by Maria Theresia von Paradis (1759-1824)

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts'

Words © Shirley Erena Murray Music: © Colin Gibson Tune: TALAVERA TERRACW V 1

Take my gifts and let me love you,
 God who first of all loved me,
 gave me light and food and shelter,
 gave me love and set me free.
 Now because your love has touched me,
 I have love to give away;
 now the bread of love is rising,
 loaves of love to multiply!

OFFERING PRAYER

We have enough from what we gain through income or benefit, legacy or gifting, enough to give to others.

This money we bring

so, this church can continue its work of justice, peace and compassion.

This food we bring

so, others who have little, will have some.

May both money and food find the need they have been given to fill, and do their work.

May those who use both money and food be blessed in the using.

So may it be

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

Ellen Murray

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Kenya, and the Methodist Church in Kenya 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 Rt Hon Christopher Luxon (Botany) and David MacLeod (New Plymouth). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Bulls/Turakina Presbyterian Parish.

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

'Faith has set us on a journey'

Lyrics: Shirley Murray Tune: Marching WOV110

1. Faith has set us on a journey past the landmarks that we know, taking risks with no insurance but the Word that tells us "go!" Friend or job or home or lover we may need to leave behind, outworn truths and ways of thinking, baggage to the past consigned.

- 2. Some are swags of easy conscience who with others hitch a ride, some are tourist-package Christians, dollar-safe, with Book and guide. There are others on this journey those who long and pray and search, heave the stones to free the structures, love the Christ and leave the Church.
- 3. We are this unlikely people in the Body knit as one, company of clowns and cripples some are wise and some can run. Prophets are our travel agents, gospel-makers lay this road: to the place of peace and promise faith will take us into God.

SUNG BLESSING

AA 99 'Now as we go'

Words © 1Shirley Erena Murray Music © Colin Gibson

- Now as we go, kind Spirit keep us, in all we see, Christ be our focus, in all we do, his story shape us, that we may grow to God's good purpose.
- 2. Now as we go, sister and brother, give us good care one of the other, more hope to share, more strength to gather, more life to know in faith together.

POSTLUDE

1st movt, Concerto No 2 in A minor (Bach (1685-1750)/Vivaldi (1678-1741)

THANK YOU

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



Wednesday 28 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm Flute Squadron

FUNERAL FOR VALERIE RHODES

As many of you will know, our dear friend Valerie Rhodes died suddenly last Saturday afternoon at home. Her funeral will be held here at St Andrew's on The Terrace on Monday 19th August at 1pm, followed by afternoon tea in the hall, then a private cremation at Karori Crematorium.

She has left full instructions about her funeral including a wish that those attending might wear a little touch of something red. For the afternoon tea, the Rhodes family will be providing some savoury food. Could St Andrew's folk attending please bring something sweet.

WRITE A CLIMATE ACTION SUBMISSION THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday (18 August) you can have your say on the Government's plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the next few years. Right now, the Government is consulting on the next Emissions Reduction Plan for 2026 - 2030. Many climate scientists have said the proposed policies in the plan will not keep us on track for Net Zero 2050. Nor will they enable us to meet our third emissions budget. St Andrew's as a whole is preparing a submission on the plan but, along with other eco churches, we are encouraging as many people as possible to make an individual submission. The more there are, the more the Government has to read and take account of. During morning tea on Sunday 18 August we will have tables set up and information and templates for everyone who'd like to write a submission. This is an opportunity for us to share our personal experiences of reducing our carbon footprint and what climate resilience looks like for our families, workplaces and faith communities. You don't have to be a climate expert and it should only take about 10 minutes!

If you'd like to get started right now here are some useful resources:

- <u>submission template</u> from the Climate Club
- <u>information and submission template</u> from the Don't Subsidise Pollution campaign. This is a campaign, organised by Common Grace Aotearoa, calling on the Government to stop giving free carbon credits to big industry polluters like Rio Tinto and Methanex. Their template focuses on this issue.

Submissions close on Wednesday 21 August.

- Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

QMC FOUNDERS DAY SERVICE

You are warmly invited to the Queen Margaret College Annual Founders' Day Service at St Andrew's on the Terrace on Sunday 18 August at 4pm. This event will

honour the College's roots in the Christian Presbyterian faith for 105 years and celebrate the light and life our students exhibit through music, song, gratitude and praise. Please RSVP if you would like to

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Our Minister, Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai will be welcoming Queen Margaret College. The service will be led by Rec Dr Deborah Wilson, Chaplain at QMC.

PALOMA BRUCE - GIVE A LITTLE FUNDRAISING PAGE

Paloma Bruce recently started 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 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

NATIONAL POETRY DAY - AUGUST 23RD

A special offer for this unique poetry collection. Wellington writer Trish Harris's words and resources have been used in St Andrew's services over the years. Now Landing Press are reprinting her unique poetry collection, My wide white bed, and offering St Andrew's parishioners a special deal in the month of August. The poems in My wide white bed detail Trish's prolonged stay in hospital and are short, simple, often whimsical, often poignant, and speak to hope, humour and the reality that can face anyone with health issues. My wide white bed would make a great gift for National Poetry Day on Friday 23 August! If you'd like to order one, email LandingPress landingpressnz@gmail.com with your name, address and number of copies and include a note saying you've seen the St Andrews special August deal of \$20 (includes post and packaging). Please do not order through the website, as it isn't set up for special deals.

UPCOMING BOOK LAUNCH - SEPTEMBER 7TH

Anne Manchester's five-year journey researching and writing about the life and legacy of Shirley Erena Murray has finally reached its conclusion. *Peace is Her Song: The life and legacy of hymn writer Shirley Erena Murray* will be launched on 7 September at St Andrew's on The Terrace, 3pm. The event will be a musical one, with former St Andrew's director of music Roy Tankersley accompanying a selection of Shirley's hymns. The Very Rev Pamela Tankersley will be the official launcher. An indication of numbers would be helpful, though all are welcome. Please email Anne on aemanch@gmail.com or publisher Philip Garside on bookspgpl@gmailcom if you intend being there.

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/

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	Pauline and David Patchett	
Sound	Simon Miller	
Laptop	Cam Smart	
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan	
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier (CG), Janet Horncy and Michael Parker	
Family Time	Frank Cook	
Readings	Jim Cunningham	
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray	
Rainbow Room	In Recess	
Library	Pauline Patchett	
Musician	Judy Dumbleton	
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai	

On duty August 25th		
Welcoming	Pat Booth and Margaret Harper	
Sound	Sonia Groes-Petrie (CG)	
Laptop	Sandra Kirby	
Offering	Lynette Burrell and Paul Franken	
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Simon Miller and Janet Horncy	
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence	
Readings	Tony Kirby	
Prayers of the People	David Douglas	
Rainbow Room	In Recess	
Library	-	
Musician	Peter Franklin	
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This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 18th August: 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 21st August: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Middle Fiddles – Wellington Viola Academy

Sunday 25th August: 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	Jemma Ballantyne
Facilities Assistant(s)	R. MacConghie, O. Ruegg, M. Barber, L. Oakley, F. Neeley-Grant

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