



ORDER OF SERVICE

24th NOVEMBER 2024

PENTECOST 27

The Reign of Christ



TRANSGENDER REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

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 and Afioga Dr Fuimaono Karl Pulotu-Endemann

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come Christ Jesus Come. You who welcome all, from all the world Come Christ Jesus Come to greet us now. We come as we are from every race and love and gender to build your house our home

SILENCE

OPENING PRAYER

God of All Compassion, we come today on this Transgender Day of Remembrance to remember all gender diverse people who have been persecuted, discriminated against, suffered hate crime, have been murdered or have taken their own lives because of the rejection they face.

Help us today to understand the things we may not understand. Help us to bring love and not hate. Help us to rejoice in the diversity that humanity creates.

God of all genders and none, Source of our glorious difference and true harmony, Bearer of all pain and Spirit of transformation, we give you thanks that you have created us in your own image, in the many-splendored forms of our human diversity.

Hear us as we remember and affirm gender diverse people. Transform the violence, pain and struggles of the past and present, bring new life out of death, hopelessness and despair, and empower us with your grace, strength and joy.

May we be like kingfishers catching fire, dragonflies drawing flame, beautiful butterflies shining with your love.

In the name of Christ incarnate in a thousand places, and more. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

FFS 67 'We are many, we are one'

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- 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, and 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 a loom, as a field of flowers in bloom, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.
- 3. We will join creations song, make a world where all belong, billed 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.

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 lunch in the hall after church.

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

Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

PASSING THE PEACE

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

THE WORD IN TEXTS Frank Hanson

Hebrew Bible Psalm 139:7-18

Gospel/New Testament Galatians 3:26-29

Contemporary Reading

She wove golden rays of sunshine, Into a long and flowing dress, That left the scent on everything she touched, Of nature's sweet caress, Everywhere the girl did go, The flowers would all bloom, And she could chase the lonely feeling, Out of every darkened room, She could drive out all your sadness, And cause a frozen heart to thaw, She'd paint the sky pink every morning, But nobody ever saw, No one thought to thank her, For the warmth upon their skin, Or for chasing all their demons, From where the night-time's breath had been, So she thought she wasn't needed, She could leave and they'd not care, But they'd just taken her for granted, Since her light was always there, Because you never thank the ground, Until you know how it feels to fall, Or just how much you need the sun, Until it doesn't rise at all.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

WOV 629 'Faafetai i le Atua'

Tradional Samoan hymn

 Faafetai i le Atua lena tatou tupu ai ina ua na alofa fua ia te i tatou uma nei.

Thanks to God
who has given us life
when he freely loved
all of us.

Ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai. Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.

Faafetai i lona Alo
le na afio mai luga,
le ua fai ma faapaolo
ai le puapuaga.

Thanks to his son who came from above, who protects you from all suffering.

Ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai. Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.

3. Faafetai i le Agaga le fesoasoani mai e manuia ai talosaga, atoa uma mea e fai.

Thanks to the spirit who helps to bless our prayers and whatever we do.

Ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai ia pepese ia pepese Aleluia faafetai. Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.

REFLECTION

Afioga Dr Fuimaono Karl Pulotu Endemann

REFLECTIVE MUSIC Senzeni Na (What have we done?) Cape Town Youth Choir

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

Fionn Mckenzie

GLAMAPHONES WAIATA

'I Remember'

Words and Music: Sarah Quarte

PRAYER

Loving Creator, Let the rain come and wash away the ancient grudges, the bitter hatreds held and nurtured over generations. Let the rain wash away the memory of the heart, and neglect. Then O God, let the sun come out and fill the sky with beautiful rainbows. Let the warmth of the Sun heal us wherever we are broken. Let it burn away the fog so that each of us sees each other clearly: so that we can move beyond labels, beyond accents, gender, sexual orientation, or skin colour. Let the warmth and brightness of the sun melt our selfishness: so that we can share the joy and sorrow of our neighbours. And let the light of the sun be so strong that we will see all people as our neighbours. Let the Earth, nourished by rain, bring forth flowers to surround us with your beauty, and let the mountains teach our hearts to reach upward to heaven. Then, dear God, grant us comfort, give us peace, and allow us strength to enable us to Stand up, Fight for, and be a Voice for Equality. In Jesus' name, *Amen!*

(prayer by Rev. Debra J. Hopkins, Black trans woman, Minister at Sacred Souls Community Church in Charlotte, NC, sourced from http://religiousinstitute.org/resources/prayers-weekend-trans-justice/)

OFFERTORY MUSIC

AA 62 'Here we bring small or great'

OFFERING HYMN

Words[©] Shirley Murray Music [©]Colin Gibson Tune: ASHLEY

 Here we bring, small or great, gifts to offer on this plate, what we've earned, what we own, tithe or token, bread or stone.

Jesus said "have a care - your heart will always be where your riches are, where your riches are."

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 **<u>briefly</u>** 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 Mexico and the Methodist Church in Mexico, 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 are able to welcome 450 people from this group. We pray that more will have the opportunity to be resettled in the near future. In New Zealand, we remember those in Pargliament, and today we name Suze Redmayne (Rangitīkei) and Hon Shane Reti (Whangārei). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Hastings - St Andrew's 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.

'Sing a song for peace and justice'

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1. Sing a song for peace and justice, speak for those who cannot speak! claim the world for peace and justice: let the strong support the weak.

Refrain

Light a candle in the darkness, hope and freedom must not die! hope and freedom must not die!

2. You who live in happy places, who can laugh and speak and sing, listen for the other voices, mute with fear and suffering.

Refrain

Light a candle....

3. Thousands cry in nameless prisons – plead with powers that hold the key: plead that human rights be honoured, that the innocent go free.

Refrain

Light a candle....

BLESSING

May the delight of God fill your souls with joy and give you strength to celebrate and embody Christ's love in the world: and the blessing of God – creating, transforming, and making new - bring you to your true and loving home, now and always.

Amen.

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THANK YOU

to our musician today **Bruce Corkill**

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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 LUNCHTIME CONCERTS



Wednesday 27th November 12:15pm – 1:00pm Duo Enharmonics



Wednesday 4th December 12:15pm – 1:00pm Ethan Rawhiti-Hotter, Solo Piano

HIKOI

The Hikoi was stupendous - - a creditable turnout from St Andrew's melted into a huge crowd (I've seen one estimate at 47,000) and a lovely atmosphere. Although no-one stayed overnight at the church, we had a good gathering for soup, tea and coffee in the church afterwards. Many thanks to all those who offered billets, bedding, soup and time. (Photo of the bunch at Te Papa and/or the tea and coffee session, maybe? - only if there's room)

SPECIAL LUNCH THIS SUNDAY

Today, in honour of Transgender Day of Remembrance, the reflection will be delivered by Fuimaono Karl Pulotu-Endemann-Endemann, one of our best known and honoured fa'afafine. After the service we will share a special lunch in the Hall. All welcome. Note, we will <u>not</u> have community lunch on Sunday December 1st. Sue Hirst, Parish Council Convenor

MARMALADE (etc) SALE

In case you're here on Wednesday, I will be selling marmalade (surprise!) at the lunchtime concert on Wednesday 27th of November. The concert will be excellent as usual and the marmalade will be plentiful. Bring cash. Sue, Marmalade stirrer

DCM FOODBANK COLLECTION DAY

Many thanks to everyone who came along last Saturday to lend happy hands towards the Foodbank Collection event. Sally Gray

DCM AGM

Thank you to those who have sent an RSVP through; we look forward to seeing you on the 26th at 5.30pm, St Johns in the City, corner of Willis and Dixon Street. If you have not sent an RSVP, feel free to email if you cannot attend, but would like a copy of the Annual Report, please let me know, I would be happy to send you one after the AGM. All the best for the remainder of the week; take care and stay healthy and happy. Suzy Cain. suzy@dcm.org.nz

WEBSITE REFRESH

The refreshed website design is now live. Some obsolete content has been removed and not all content has been updated, but the reorganized menu system is in place. More information to follow as updates occur.

RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S

We are expanding the range of materials that we collect for recycling at St Andrew's. You can now bring plastic lids (including milk bottle caps), metal lids, beverage cartons (Tetra Pak) and used pens. There are containers for each sort of material in the North Vestry. A take-home information sheet, on the desk in the North Vestry, tells you all you need to know about what we do and don't collect. For Hutt Valley and other members, Bunnings' stores have recycling bins where used batteries can be left. Happy recycling!

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

WEST PAPUA SOLIDARITY GATHERING

As has happened for many years the Morning Star flag of West Papua (oppressed by Indonesia) will be flown at Parliament in solidarity with the people of West Papua at 1pm on Monday 2 December. During this gathering there will be a sharing circle where messages of solidarity and support for West Papua can be shared. Poetry, art or other creative work is welcome. Last year Fei was able to participate in this event and I am hoping others from St Andrews will be able to come this year. Background information can be found at converge.org.nz/pma/ by clicking on the date of the event. Tony Pears

PEACE IS HER SONG VIDEO

Did you miss the launch of *Peace is Her Song: The life and legacy of hymn writer* Shirley Erena Murray at St Andrew's on The Terrace, 7 September 2024? You can watch an edited video of the event on YouTube. Go to:

https://youtu.be/bseoF2fiFoU

UPCOMING CONCERT - TUESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 12PM

'The Encounter' – Tuba Soloist Haonan (Sam) Zhu. Music by William Craft, Ionel Dumitru, Jurjaj Filas, Roland Sentpali. Tuesday 26th November, 12pm, St Andrew's on The Terrace.

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	Pam Fuller + one other			
Sound	Ben Gray			
Laptop	Cam Smart			
Offering	Paul Franken and Mike Wespel-Rose			
Coffee/tea	Maxine Cunningham, Sally Gray, Michael Parker, Pat McGiven;			
	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Janet Horncy			
Family Time	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai			
Readings	Frank Hanson			
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey (CG)			
Rainbow Room	In recess			
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose			
Musician	Bruce Corkill			
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai			

On duty December 1 st			
Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell		
Sound	Sonia Groes-Petrie		
Laptop	Cam Smart		
Offering	Katrina Harper and Tony Pears		
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Marilyn Wallace and David Douglas		
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence		
Readings	Frank Hanson		
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth		
Communion	Maxine Cunningham, Laura Gehrenbeck, Cam Smart, David		
	Gehrenbeck, Janet Horncy and Janet Martin		
Rainbow Room	In recess		
Library	Closed		
Musician	Bruce Cash		
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai		

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 24th November: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed

by Community Lunch

Wednesday 27th November: 10:30am – Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Duo Enharmonics

Sunday 1st December: 10am Communion Service led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

1st Sunday Communion service followed by Community Brunch on even months

Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec.

2nd Sunday Congregational service followed by Exploring Faith

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	Caroline Korybut
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jemma Ballantyne
Centre Assistant	Germaine Ambray
Facilities Assistant(s)	R. MacConghie, O. Ruegg, M. Barber, L. Oakley, F. Neeley-Grant

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