St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

8th January 2017



First Sunday after Epiphany



'Giving for our city'

WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

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 here.
Please join in the congregational responses printed in **bold italics**.
Please stand if you are able, for the hymns and the offering prayer.
We will sing the hymns without announcement.
To use the loop system in the church, turn your hearing aids on to the appropriate setting.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened. In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

GATHERING

When we look back over the year that has just passed, it may well have had its surprises.

As each present moment is replaced by the unknown future, we know that we will likely be tested by situations we find ourselves in.

God, equip us with what we need to live motivated by the love that dwells within us.

So we open ourselves to wonder, delight and love as we sing to our God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Our delight is in the broadness...'

Words: ©2015 Susan Jones. Used by permission Tune: Praise my Soul WOV68

- 1. Our delight is in the broadness of the world dawn brings to sight; Harbour, beach and islands' structure, plain and hilltop, mountains' might; Thanks be giv'n for nature's beauty, celebrate each new day's light.
- 2. Our delight is in the living of each moment every day working, playing, walking, sleeping, being family, straight and gay; Grace be giv'n for every minute, wisdom for each interplay.
- 3. Our delight is in the creatures sharing with us this our place, moths and birds with stunning markings, dolphins moving with sweet grace; Thanks be giv'n for all creation, celebrate each life, each space.
- 4. Our delight is in the loving of each other as we may; Searching, finding, liking, loving, talking, list'ning on the way; Thanks be giv'n for our affections, celebrate them night and day.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Dawn Cowdry

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

There is no Rainbow Room today, so we send you off to enjoy playing with the things at the back of the church.

God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Feel free to pass the peace with those nearby or move to greet others further away. Passing the peace consists of shaking hands and saying "Peace be with you." The response is "Peace be with you" or just "And with you." Or, simply saying "Hello" is a good idea. Also feel free to simply observe if you wish!

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Frances Porter

Matthew 2:1-12 RSV

Gospel

Contemporary reading

A reading from Maimonides

* 'Jesu' may be pronounced 'Yay-soo.'

A 12th Century Jewish philosopher

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

WOV 561 'Yesu, Yesu, fill us with your love'

Words & Music: Tom Colvin ©1969 Hope Publishing Co.

Jesu,* Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbours we have from you. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. (Refrain)

Neighbours are rich and poor, varied in colour and race, neighbours are near and far away. (Refrain)

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love, all are neighbours to us and you. (Refrain)

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with you. (*Refrain*)

REFLECTION

'Gifts for our city'

Norman Wilkins

HYMN

'Through the heart of every city...'

Words: © 1987 Sylvia Dunstan. ©1991 GIA Publications Inc Tune: Hyfrydol CH4 39

Through the heart of every city runs the flow of human need.
'Mid this glass and steel are pulsing

smoldering wick and bruised reed.
Has our church a word to offer,
some hope shining from our creed?
Walking through the concrete furrows
Jesus sows the Word as seed.

Through the passing generations, in their spirit, flesh and bone, Jesus Christ becomes incarnate: holy hearts are living stone building here a house of refuge as a temple, as a home. So within the city's shadow Jesus' planted Word has grown.

Through our worship and our witness, Jesus, grant that we may still hear the heartbeat of compassion calling us to do your will.
You, our vine, and we, your branches, deadened not by any chill, working for that final city where the harvest is fulfilled.

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

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 the ways of open hearts and generosity will replace greed and power so that all may know justice and fulfilment in their lives. 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 and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice not already in the order of service, 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of United Kingdom and the British Overseas Territories Churches Together in England. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Adrian Rurawhe and Jenny Salesa and the members of their electorates of Te Tai Hauauru and Manukau East. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of St Margaret's Presbyterian Church, Silverstream.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

FFS32 'God who sets us on a journey'

Tune: © Canvas. Jillian Bray. Words: © Joy Dine

God who sets us on a journey to discover, dream and grow, lead us as you led your people in the desert long ago; journey inward, journey outward, stir the spirit, stretch the mind, love for God and self and neighbour marks the way that Christ defined.

Exploration brings new insights, changes, choices we must face; give us wisdom in deciding, mindful always of your grace; should we stumble, lose our bearings, find it hard to know what's right, we regain our true direction focused on the Jesus light.

End our longing for the old days, grant the vision that we lack – once we've started on this journey there can be no turning back; let us travel light, discarding excess baggage from our past, cherish only what's essential, choosing treasure that will last.

When we set up camp and settle to avoid love's risk and pain, you disturb complacent comfort, pull the tent pegs up again; keep us travelling in the knowledge you are always at our side; give us courage for the journey, Christ our goal and Christ our guide.

BLESSING

Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours, yours are the eyes through which he is to look with compassion on the world, yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good, and yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now.

So we go to reach out and heal, to hold and bless, to look at the word with compassion and to act with justice.

Go then and live fully. Go then and love wastefully, go then and be the very best people you can be. Through the power of the risen Christ, go to follow the loving example of Jesus.

(adapted from John Spong)

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU Bruce Cash

Our musician today

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We welcome all visitors and invite you to stay for morning tea or coffee.

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.



AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website. http://www.standrews.org.nz/sunday-gathering/orders-of-service

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

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	David & Pauline Patchett	
Sound	Tony Cowdry	
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Sonia Groes-Petrie	
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy, Kath Kerr, Richard Keller	
Time with the Children	Dawn Cowdry	
Readings	Frances Porter	
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins	
Musician	Bruce Cash	
Rainbow Room Helper	In recess for holidays, toys at the back of the church.	

On duty Sunday 15 January	
Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Trish McBride
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Paul Satherley, Volunteer Required
Coffee/tea	Caroline Glass, Judith Cowley, Jon Schrader
Time with the children	Chris Carey-Smith
Readings	Joan Tyler
Prayers of the People	Colma Froggatt
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	In recess for holidays, toys at the back of the church.

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 8 January 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Norman Wilkins (including a farewell to our Centre Manager David Medland)

Wednesday 11 January Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre **Sunday 15 January 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Jim Cunningham

HOLIDAY DATES:

- Office closed Friday 23rd Dec 2016, reopens Monday 9th Jan 2017
- **Centering Prayer** resumes Thurs 12th Jan 2017
- E-news: Last for 2016, Thurs 22nd Dec 2016, resumes Fri 20th Jan 2017
- **Gatherings in 2017**: (all at 10am)

Jan 15th led by Jim Cunningham,

Jan 22nd led by Ross Scott,

Jan 29th led by Susan Jones.

• Susan's annual leave Mon 26th Dec 2016 to Mon 16th Jan 2017 (inclusive).

For any urgent pastoral needs, please contact in the first instance

Lynne Dovey, parish council Convenor Mobile: 029-2798120.

Available for urgent pastoral care while Susan is on leave are:

Rev Norman Wilkins Dec 30th – Jan 13th (inclusive) Mobile: 022-0667626 Rev Dr Jim Cunningham Jan 14th – Jan 16th (inclusive) Mobile: 027-6801159

PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

The Social Services Committee is calling for public submissions on the Children, Young Persons, and Their Families (Oranga Tamariki) Legislation Bill.

Send your submission on the bill by midnight on 15 February 2017.

Read a copy of the bill here.

http://www.legislation.govt.nz/bill/government/2016/0224/latest/DLM7064516.html?search=ts act%40bill%40regulation%40deemedreg oranga+tamariki resel 25 a&p=1

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	Susan Jones
Parish Council Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
Pastoral Convenors	Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell, Linda Wilkins
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Heather Macfarlane
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Office Administrator	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Facilities Assistant	Rebecca Nodwell
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