



ORDER OF SERVICE

19 November 2017

Pentecost 24



Transgender SunDay of Remembrance (TDOR) 2017

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 usually sing the hymns without announcement.
To use the **loop system** in the church, turn your hearing aids on to the appropriate setting. **Printed copies of the reflection** are available at the back of the church for people with extreme hearing loss. For others, they can be picked up at the end of the Gathering.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

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

GATHERING

Here we gather all sorts of people

*tall, thin, hairy, wide, hairless, vertically challenged*Here we meet all sorts of people

*different colours, personalities, interests and political flavours*Here we include all sorts of people

lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer and questioning, intersex and hetero

Here we all are in this special sacred space. *Together we are one*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'For all the saints'

Words: © Susan Jones Tune: Sine Nomine WOV 384

For all the saints of every age and day, (Music on separate sheet) who bravely seek to follow in Love's way;
Sharing good news by what they do or say. Alleluia! Alleluia!

For those who struggle much with who they are, listening to feelings which with bodies jar; who seek and ask and travel near and far. Alleluia! Alleluia!

For those who understood as feelings grew, the need to live within a body true; and all that's needed to transition through. Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Jesus, who exploded people's view of who was 'out' or 'in' the chosen few; Who died for freedom meant for me and you, Alleluia! Alleluia!

And so we meet to celebrate the right To be yourself by day and every night; And pray that Love will always shine out bright. Alleluia! Alleluia!

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora*.

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER FOR TRANSGENDER AWARENESS

Our Mother and Father, our beloved parent, in whom we live and move and have our being, the hallowing of your name shines forth in the diversity of your children.

May your peace and love, justice and equality, inclusion and belonging reign here on earth as in heaven.

Grant that our transgender loved ones might have their daily needs met – that they might find gainful employment without discrimination; that they might have access to medical care without fear; that they might have their rights and lives protected, and that they might find a loving community to belong to and call their own.

Forgive us for the ways in which we have fallen short and failed your transgender children. Forgive us for times we have turned away, or did not care; for times we laughed or judged their unique expression of your image; for times we have misspoken, asked too much, or failed to hear. As we forgive those who might have failed us.

Lead us away from the temptation to be complacent in the face of injustice. But instead, give us courage to stand up and stand with your beloved children. May your love and justice be made manifest now and forever, Amen

This prayer was originally written for Central Congregational UCC (Atlanta GA) Pride Sunday worship services on October 9^{th} 2016

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Ellen Murray

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme to hear stories, ask questions and have fun together. *We 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

Jennifer Bush-Daumec

Hebrew Bible Isaiah 56: 1-8 and Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Gospel Luke 4: 14-21

Contemporary reading

To the Transgender Suicides

You will never know the peace of acceptance once you are finished, put to earth. Life was harsher than the dirt: A parent made you feel worthless because you wanted to wear a short dress. Because you felt different cut off Disowned Disavowed: one friend after another disappears and no one hears the sobs no one feels the salty tears no one holds your hands or offers you a hug

You were damned by those who demanded you conform, where there was no warmth.

The clock cuts you bitterly condemning you to be lonely and I cry all the more knowing you won't be the only one not the only daughter wanting to be a son not the only male that wants to be a female not the only soft face hardened

or hard face softened till the sorrow overflows till everyone you know closes the door and you disappear forever more

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTIONS

Jem Traylen and Susan Jones

GLAMAPHONES 'Ka Waiata'

ACT OF COMMEMORATION AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES

First, we light a candle for each of the 26 countries for which there are records of the murders and suicides of a total of 230 transgendered men and women since Nov 2016.

Then everyone is invited to come and light their own candle – thinking of the difficulties and tensions and danger under which transgender people often have to live their lives which can lead to poverty, dislocation, depression and suicide.

As you come forward, if you have brought an offering today for the work of St Andrew's on The Terrace, please place it in the baskets provided. (Do not be embarrassed if you have not come prepared for this)

GLAMAPHONES

'Not by Wind Ravaged'

Words © Hone Tuwhare

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

We bring food so others can eat. We bring money so this church continues to spread the news all are welcome in this world. We light candles in solidarity with those who find the world a difficult place. May food and money do their work; may these candles spread the warmth of their light in the world. 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.

HYMN

HIOS 27 'Every hair upon your head'

Colin Gibson © 1998 (Music on separate sheet)

Ev'ry hair upon your head has been counted,
Jesus said, though it's black or white or red or in between.
Ev'ry curl upon your mount has been counted in the count,
though it's beige or blond, or blue or even green.

Potrain: We're the family of Cod who finds nothing strange.

Refrain: We're the family of God, who finds nothing strange or odd, who delights in individuality:

be we bald or richly blessed, be we shaggy, shaved or tressed,

we're the family of God, yes, you and me.

Ev'ry tuft upon your top is selected from the crop, though it's knotted in a knot or left to flow; whether Cherokee or shorn, maybe lonely or forlorn, though it's only just been born, it's in the know. *Refrain*

Though it's old and turning grey, maybe like a field of hay, though your friends and neighbours say it will not do; though it's frizzy, though its lank, though it stands up like a bank, it is loved and counted precious 'cos its you. *Refrain*

Ev'ry follicle is named, not a split-end will be blamed, not one hair need be ashamed to show its head; and the color will be right in a loving parents sight, though its dull or dark or bright, so Jesus said. *Refrain*

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

Sandra Kirby

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of the Presbyterian Church of Colombia. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Brett Hudson and Gareth Hughes list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Taradale - St Columba's Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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GLAMAPHONES

'E Papa'

BLESSING

May the sadness of this day, stiffen our resolve to be more loving in this world, more caring in our relationships and more compassionate to those who walk a lonely road

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Judy Dumbleton

our musician today

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Please acknowledge the source.

There is a 2-hour parking limit on the street in the Wellington CBD on Sundays.

If you are staying for an after-church activity, you can to move your car into the car park, or move to a new space on the street.

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	Trish McBride, Jeni Bryant	
Sound	Frank Cook	
Offering	Graham Howell, James Cone	
Coffee/tea	Jim & Maxine Cunningham, Anne Barrie	
Time with the Adults	Ellen Murray	
Readings	Jennifer Bush-Daumec	
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby	
Musician	Judy Dumbleton	
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah	

On duty 26 November	
Welcoming	David & Pauline Patchett
Sound	Paul Satherley
Offering	Kath Kerr, Margaret Pannett
Coffee/tea	Frank & Sue Cook, Jon Schrader
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Bronwyn White
Prayers of the People	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Bruce Cash
Rainbow Room Helper	Margaret Pannett

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 19 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones, followed by morning tea to which everyone is invited. **Social Justice meeting** in Conference Rooms 1 & 2, 11.45am to 1pm.

Wednesday 22 November Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 22 November 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - AuraFour – singing renaissance to 20th century music.

Thursday 23 November 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 26 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Mike Wespel Rose and Fiona McDougal.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

ART AND THE SPIRIT – SERVICE FOR 26 NOVEMBER

Mike Wespel-Rose writes "Thanks to everyone who has thought of contributing or who has offered to contribute to the Art and Spirit service to be held on 26th November. Those that we have received look very interesting, diverse and exciting. Thank you! We now have sufficient contributions, so cannot accept more. Many thanks to all."

DCM FOOD BANK COLLECTION

DCM urgently need help. They are running very low on the following items: Spaghetti, Biscuits/crackers, tinned fish and washing powder.

ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER - FEBRUARY

A reminder for those who help on our Sunday rosters that we will be putting together a new roster for the period from December – February shortly. If you have any dates during this period that you know you will be away please notify the office office@standrews.org.nz. As usual there will be a separate sign up roster for the Sunday 24th morning Service, and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. Thank you, Jillene Everett, (Temp. Office Administrator).

CHRISTMAS BAKING FUNDRAISER

"Shortbread and Gingerbread are available for sale at the moment as we have a good supply - the rest of the baking will be sold at a cake stall in the Church porch in the first week of December. You may order brandy & chocolate fruit truffles ahead of this date though. Contact Maxine Cunningham or Sue McRae. jimax117@gmail.com".

ST ANDREWS TRUST FOR THE SATURDAY OF RELIGION AND SOCIETY (SATRS)

Board Vacancy: The Constitution for the SATRS Trust Board allows for three nominees from the parish. The chair, Pam Fuller is a Parish member. With the recent retirement of Jim Cunningham we are looking for one or more new members.

The Board meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 5pm February to December to discuss the work of the Board and plan the year's activities. Additionally, Board members are also expected to attend and assist with events as and when they are able. The administrative work of the Board is currently supported by Peter Cowley, who is employed by SATRS for a few hours per week.

If you would be interested in learning more about the Board you can contact Pam Fuller on pjfller@gmail.com or if you would be interested in putting your name forward to Parish Council to join the Board please contact Lynne Dovey on lynne.doveynz@gmail.com.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 2018

Education for Ministry is an adult learning programme designed to link Christian faith with daily life, and to deepen Christian discipleship. It combines scholarly and systematic Bible study and education in theology and church history, with small group worship, prayer and companionship. What we learn through our study is joined to our own lives and experiences through the process of theological reflection. EfM is a four-

year programme though group members sign up for one year at a time. The EfM programme covers the Christian tradition from the earliest period to the present.

Year 1: The Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament)

Year 2: The New Testament

Year 3: Church History

Year 4: Theology, Ethics, and Inter-faith Encounter

In New Zealand, the EfM programme also includes a unit which focuses on The History of the Church in Aotearoa New Zealand. EfM groups meet weekly for 2-3 hours and are led by a trained mentor. The curriculum is designed for 36 weekly sessions over a 12-month period and requires 3-5 hours pre- reading and preparation weekly. There are groups in Wellington and the Hutt Valley. If you are interested, check out the EfM website http://www.efm.org.nz or speak to/contact to Fiona McDougal fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We have reduced the number of chairs stored in the foyer and the back of the church to increase the space available for morning tea and to reduce risk. We are planning to have only 20 chairs at the back of the church and 40 in the foyer. These need to be stacked only 5 chairs high to be safe. Please do not carry more than 2 chairs at a time. Chairs do move around a lot in this place! If you can tidy them away when you see them out of place, that would be helpful. Only shift chairs if your body can stand the strain! Thank you! Susan

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHANGEMAKERS

Support a refugee-background woman to get a driver licence. ChangeMakers are looking for some remarkable women willing to volunteer their time to take a refugee-background woman for driving practice. Each learner drivers had professional lessons, and now needs practice to get her licence. She will provide the car. Volunteers can choose to practise with a Porirua, Hutt or Wellington driver. For further details please contact Naomi Tcher, ChangeMakers email naomi@crf.org.nz or ph. 801 58912.

'SOMETHING NEW TO SAY' BY BRONWYN ANGELA WHITE

A collection of liturgy resources for Advent and Christmas in Aotearoa.

Pre-order and pre-pay to help with printing costs! 'Something new to say' is available as an ebook from Amazon, but Bronwyn is getting quotes to have it printed in soft copy. With each pre-paid for copy, you'll also receive either a free copy of her earlier book, 'you who delight me', or a 30% discount off the price of the third book in her "Words of spirit and faith" series. Approximately a cost of around \$20.00 per book, depending on the number of orders.

Please get in touch on email bronz99@live.com or via the 'you who delight me' Facebook page. Bank account details so you can deposit your pre-payment will be sent once printing quotes are in.

VINCENTS' ANNUAL GROUP EXHIBITION

16 - 23 November 2017 First Floor Gallery, St James Theatre All welcome!

ADVENT GATHERING

Methodist and Presbyterian Women cordially invite you to come to the Advent Gathering - Monday 4 December 2017 at 7:30 pm at Johnsonville Uniting Church, Dr Taylor Terrace, Johnsonville. Please bring a plate of finger food per car, to share.

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	Colma Froggatt
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
Pastoral Convenors	Linda Wilkins and Maxine Cunningham Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Colma Froggatt
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jess McKnight
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Temporary Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Facilities Assistant	Lillian Norman
Centre Assistant	Hilary Penwarden
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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