

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

30th November 2014



**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
THE FEAST OF ST ANDREW**



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.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened.

In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

TIME FOR REFLECTION

Scottish Blessing for St Andrew's Day

If after Kirk ye bide a wee,
There's some would like to speak to ye,
If after Kirk ye rise and flee
We' all seem cauld and still to ye.
The one that's in the seat with ye
Is stranger here than ye, maybe.
All here have got their fears and cares,
Add ye your soul unto our prayers,
Be ye our angel unawares.

GATHERING

The season of Advent challenges us
to see God's vision of what is yet to be,
to hear God's voice calling anew,
to smell the scent of God in our world.
The feast day of Andrew calls us to remember
our Scots forebears in faith
and to practice the hospitality of St Andrew.

Let us celebrate life in the presence of God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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Look towards Christmas! Advent is here:
welcome December, changing the year.
Whistle up, shepherds! Saddle up, kings!
Chorus up angels, flexing your wings.
Sing, sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing, sing out the story,
sing about hope and sing about peace.

Set the world singing, make the world glad;
now is good reason not to feel sad!
Hear John the Baptist shout to prepare:
Good News is coming, earth be aware.
Sing, sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing, sing out the story,
sing about hope and sing about peace.

Mary and Joseph, soon is the day:
ready the donkey, start on your way.
You are the chosen, willing to trust,
joyful your burden, carrying Christ
Sing, sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing alleluia!
Sing, sing, sing out the story,
sing about hope and sing about peace.

WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.
Kia ora tatou.

CALL TO WORSHIP

With the rising of the sun, symbol of light, life and hope,
we gather on this Advent Sunday.

***We are a community of hope, looking to the new day when the
justice and peace shall reign in the earth.***

PRAYER

Dorothy McRae-McMahon

O God, all around us we find situations
which take away our faith in the birth of love among us:

If we have lost our sense of wonder and delight
and believe these things belong in children's stories alone:

Forgive us God of sunrises and angel songs.

If we no longer expect surprises
and take the gifts of others and our own gifts for granted:

***Forgive us, God of babies in mangers in stables
and shepherds in fields.***

When love for the world seems an impossible dream
and we give power to cynicism
and a spirit of defeat:

Forgive us God of the shining star of hope.

Jesus Christ came into the world as it was,
in all its humanness.

***So in every generation, love will come again
Thanks be to God.***

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Chris Carey-Smith

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE

CWS PARTNERS – Training Young People in Gaza

In Gaza, young people have dreams and hopes like people everywhere. They want a job to help their families make ends meet. Specialist training is hard to get in its crippled economy, but the Department of Service to Palestinians runs four long established vocational training schools. Young people study for qualifications in sewing, building, welding, office work, and electrical work. Most graduates earn an income and can help rebuild their country.

Our gifts to Christian World Service Christmas Appeal go towards helping these young people – giving them skills and HOPE.

ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE

The first Advent candle is lit for Hope. Its small flickering flame is a bearer of hope. In the darkness of despair and doubt it proclaims the light – the light of hope. 'It shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot extinguish it.' We dare to hope that wherever God's people gather to light a candle, the light of hope will burn more brightly, encircling the earth with warmth, brightness and a future in which we see the fulfilment of all that is promised, through the good news of Jesus Christ.

We light this candle for Hope.

silence

PRAYER

*Let us share in the work of the Maker,
whose hands are our hands,
and build up hope in the world.
We kindle this light and begin our vigil,
our watching and waiting
for the One who makes all things new.*

JESUS PRAYER

In Doric bi David Ogston

Faither o us aa,
Faa's hame is Heiven,
We haud up Your name.
Lat Your Kingly wark gyang forrit,
An lat Your wye win throwe doon here amang hiz
The same as it daes abeen.
Gie us this day the mait we need.
Gin we hae deen wrang, dicht aff the sclate agin's
Like we wid dee for een anither.
Keep's airted awa fae faar we're like tae tummle,
An rax us free o coorseness:
For Your's is the Croon
An the Micht
An the Glorie,
Aawye an aawye.
Sae lat it be.

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We bless you as you go to the Rainbow Room to hear stories, make things and talk about God together. **Amen**

PASSING THE PEACE

ST ANDREW'S SINGERS with flutist Duane McKibben

Christ of darkness, Christ of light

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Christ of darkness, Christ of light,
burning undiminished, bright;
high above, a million stars
shine down on this king of night.

*Christ to whom the angels sang,
Christ for whom the heavens rang,
truth and peace and love you bring,
and yours the song we too would sing.*

Christ of poverty and need,
thrust aside by human greed,
dare we leave you in a stall,
O Son of God who made us all

Christ to whom the angels sang.....

Christ for whom a mother lay
in the shadows, on the hay,
all creation comes to birth
in this travail here on earth

Christ to whom the angels sang.....

WORD IN TEXTS

Wendy Matthews

Gospel

John 1: 29-42

The First Disciples

John 6: 1-14

Feeding the Five Thousand

RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture and story
For the word of God among us
For the word of God within us....

We give thanks.

REFLECTION

Jim Cunningham and Fiona McDougal

When Andrew Comes To Advent

MUSIC *Bovaglie's Plaid* by James Scott Skinner played by Chris Norman (Scottish flute)

HYMN

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Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name – the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S

People share notices and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice, please move to the front row, ready to speak briefly from the lectern.

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Offertory Music: *Ae fond kiss*. Scottish Clarsach played by Carolyn Sykes

Prayer:

Creator God, you call us to follow in many ways:

***You call some of us to witness
with public deeds of justice,
and you call some of us
to do the quiet work of companionship.
You call some of us to
proclaim your truth in stirring speeches,
and some to sing your love in gentle lullabies.
We bring these gifts of money and food
as tokens of our willingness to use all the other gifts you give us.
We offer our hearts and souls, and minds and strength.
We offer our faith and love; our hopes and dreams.
Take them, bless them, and use them to create a better world.
Amen***

*We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given
to support the mission of the church through automatic payment.*

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Cyprus and the Church of Cyprus. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Gerry Brownlee and David Clark and the people of their electorates of Ilam and Dunedin North. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the Wellington Mosque Islamic Centre, Kilbirnie.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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CALL TO SERVICE *(standing)*

Spirit of God, brooding over the waters of our chaos,
inspire us to generous living.

Wind of God, dancing over the desert of our reluctance,
lead us to the oasis of celebration.

Breath of God, inspiring communication among strangers,
make us channels of your peace.

HYMN

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Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shelter,
gave me life and set me.
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!

Take the fruit that I have gathered
from the tree your Spirit sowed,
harvest of your own compassion,
juice that makes the wine of God;
spiced with humour, laced with laughter –
flavour of the Jesus life,
tang of risk and new adventure,
taste and zest beyond belief.

Take whatever I can offer –
gifts that I have yet to find,
skills that I am slow to sharpen,
talents of the heart and mind,
things made beautiful for others
in the place where I must be:
take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me.

BLESSING & SUNG AMEN

May God who dances in creation, who embraces us with human love,
and who shakes our lives like thunder, bless you and empower you to
fill the world with justice.

May God the star-maker cradle and circle you.

May God the story-teller beckon and encourage you.

May God the life-changer challenge you and cherish you.

May you walk in the light of God's love and laughter all the moments of
your nights and your days.

Thanks to Rosemary Collier, our organist this morning.

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 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 a "Belonging" form (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 Quay, 02-0534-0004022-02

On duty This Sunday <i>thank you</i>	
Welcoming	Frank & Nola Hanson
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Time with the Children	Chris Carey-Smith
Reader	Wendy Matthews
Offering	Henry Boidya, Kath Kerr
Prayers of the People	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Morning Tea	Sarah Jobson, Fiona McDougal, tbc
Rainbow Room Assistant	
Musician	Rosemary Collier
On duty next Sunday 7 December	
Welcoming	Frank & Sue Cook
Sound	Paul Satherley
Time with the Children	
Reader	Bronwyn White
Offering	Paul Barber, Jon Schrader
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Morning Tea	Henry Boidya, Kath Kerr, Maxine Cunningham
Rainbow Room Assistant	
Musician	Peter Franklin
This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's	
Sunday 30 November 10am Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham and Fiona McDougal Tuesday 2 December 12.15pm SATRS Lecture <i>Islamic Sacred Art</i> . Dr Christopher Longhurst Wednesday 3 December 12.15pm Lunchtime concert <i>NZ Guitar Quartet</i> Wednesday 3 December 6pm Advent Contemplation Thursday 4 December 9am – 2pm NZ Blood Service collection Sunday 7 December 10am Sunday gathering led by Chris Carey-Smith and the Rainbow Room children Sunday 7 December 2.30pm Wellington Chamber Orchestra concert	

ADVENT CONTEMPLATIONS | WEDNESDAYS 3RD, 10TH & 17TH DECEMBER 6PM
These will be held in the church.

VACANCY – PART TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT

Due to the overwhelming response to our advertisements, applications have now closed, and we are looking forward to making an appointment in due course.

CHRISTMAS CAKES

Maxine writes “*We are not planning a cake stall to fund raise this year, but if people would like to buy a cake (3 different sizes, also gluten free available) for a gift or for their own Christmas goodies, there are order forms at the back of the Church. Any Cake Bakers or ingredient donators, please talk with Maxine.*”

TWO REFUGEE FAMILIES

Linda writes *"We have just found out that we will be looking after two refugee families from Syria. One family is mum and dad with three sons, aged 15, 11 and 4. The other is mum who is a widow with her son, aged 8 years. We have two other volunteers in our team, one of whom speaks Arabic. They arrive on 5 December which is a week later than we first thought so gives us a bit more time to prepare. Thank you everyone for your generous donations."*

ST ANDREW'S DAY COMMUNITY EVENT | 30 NOVEMBER 1 – 4PM

Frank Kitts Park. March of clans. Pipe Bands. 1.30pm Fiddle Group also tug of war and *Strip the Willow* dance. Contact Elisabeth Auchinvole
e.m.auchinvole@gmail.com

A NEIGHBOURLY CHRISTMAS | SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 6PM

The youth group at Island Bay Presbyterian are putting on an Regional Youth Service. The theme is 'A Neighbourly Christmas,' and we will be exploring Advent and Christmas in light of the Parable of the Good Samaritan. Come at 6.00pm for dinner, with a plate to share if possible, or 7.00pm for the service. All welcome. We hope to see you there. For more information, you can go to the facebook event page at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1488065648130666>, or email youth@ibpc.org.nz"

CHOICES - SATRS EVENTS

Tuesday 2 December 12.15pm at St Andrew's

Islamic Sacred Art with Chris Longhurst

Tuesday 9 December 12.15pm at St Andrew's

Samuel Marsden *Our Earliest 'Religion and Society'* with The Rt Rev Richard Randerson

BOOK LAUNCH *CREATING WELCOMING CHURCHES* | WEDNESDAY 10 DEC 6.30PM - a disability resource for faith communities. See insert.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY BREAKFAST | SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER

9.15 – 10.45AM

This year the speaker is photographer Vlad Sokhin.

<http://www.amnesty.org.nz/category/event-region/wellington-and-manawatu/crying-meri-launch>

Contact Joanne Looyen on 027 293 1827 or email wrt@amnesty.org.nz to RSVP.

WRITE FOR RIGHTS | SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER 10-2PM

We are hoping to have a letter writing session for Write for Rights. Please check out the AI events page for confirmation or contact me but the details are likely to be <http://www.amnesty.org.nz/category/event-region/wellington-and-manawatu>
Clark's cafe, Wellington City Library

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

Interim Minister	Jim Cunningham
Parish Council Convenor	To be advised
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Saving St Andrew's Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Pastoral Convenors	Colma Froggatt, Fiona McDougal
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Sandra Kirby
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Sunday Roster Coordinator	Henry Boidya

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