St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

27th May 2012



Day of Pentecost



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. AA is the hymn book *Alleluia* Aotearoa. 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.*

GATHERING Jan Berry

The celebration of Pentecost beckons us to keep breathing. It challenges us to keep ourselves open to the Spirit who seeks us. The Spirit that, in the beginning, brooded over the chaos and brought forth creation; the Spirit that drenched the community with fire and breath on the day of Pentecost.

The same Spirit that breathes within us and among us. Let us celebrate life in the presence of God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AA 26 Come to our land

OPENING SENTENCES

Dorothy McRae-McMahon (Adapted)

Just when we think nothing new can be found in us, all things known, all things gone as far as they can go:

You are born again within us, Spirit of new beginnings.

Just when we think nothing can ever change, all things established, embedded in old powers, the transforming flow of Life is here among us:

new ways of being.

Just when the cycles of death and life drag us down into nothingness, all things despairing,

all things destroying—

We rise in vivid life beyond our weak survivals, Spirit of victories over death.

Tihei mauriora!

We give thanks for life!

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tatou.

OPENING PRAYER on card

JESUS' PRAYER

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Jim Cunningham

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

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

God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS Jenny Simpson

New Testament Acts 2: 1-21

Gospel John 15:26-27, 16: 4b-15

Contemporary Reading Lord, Holy Spirit

RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us,

We give thanks.

HYMNAA 82 Join hands in the Spirit

REFLECTION Margaret Mayman

'church born of fire'

As the wind song through the trees, as the stirring of the breeze, so it is with the Spirit of God, as the heart made strangely warm, as the voice within the storm, so it is with the Spirit of God.

Never seen, ever known where this wind has blown bringing life, bringing power to the world, as the dancing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep desire, so it with the Spirit of God.

As the rainbow after rain, as the hope that's born again, so it is with the Spirit of God, as the green in the spring, as a kite on a string, so it is with the Spirit of God,

Making worlds that are new, making peace come true, bringing gifts, bringing love to the world, as the rising of the yeast, as the wine at the feast, so it is with the Spirit of God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dorothy McRae-McMahon

We believe in God the creator who gives birth to all that is with labour and sighing and looks to the world with joy and love.

We believe in Christ the reconciler, who is earthed in our life and enfleshed in its patterns of dying and rising, who gives honour to our reality and grace to our way.

We believe in God the free Spirit, who weeps with our grieving in the depths of our darkness and dances among us high on life's mountains the Spirit who finds us with newness and hope.

We believe in the community of faith, which is born of our humanness, is nurtured in sharing and grows whole in our struggling and celebration as one people of God.

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

Bronwyn White

Wairua Tapu, Creative Spirit, as we bring our gifts, koha of hand and heart, inspire us to bring to life our vision of mana whenua where everyone is valued and understood where the gifts of the spirit bud and flower and bear the spirit's fruit. Amine.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

On Pentecost Sunday, we give thanks for the Christian church world-wide and throughout time. We pray for those who take risks for their faith and those who are persecuted. We give thanks for communities where faith is nourished and sustained. In Wellington, we give thanks for the City Clergy association and the NZ Council of Christian Social Services.

HYMN

Spirit of Gentleness
Words and Music: Jim Manley

Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free, -Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, You called to the deep,
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
And over the eons you called to each thing
- - Wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings

You swept through the desert, You stung with the sand, And you goaded your people with a law and a land; And when they were blinded with their idols and lies, Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

You sang in a stable, You cried from a hill, Then you whispered in silence, when the whole world was still; And down in the city, You called once again, When you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

You call from tomorrow, You break ancient schemes. From the bondage of sorrow, the captives dream dreams; Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions, your people arise.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

May God's breath flow within you.
May God's breath renew you.
May God's breath invigorate you.
Walk with confidence into this day.
And know that you are loved of God, who walks with you.

Thanks to Margaret Ogilvie, our pianist this morning

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.

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 might like to move your car into the car park, or move to a new space on the street.

Thanks to this week's volunteers

Welcoming: Duncan and Erlin Graham

Sound: Peter Cowley

Offering: Kath Kerr, Paul Satherley Coffee/tea: Sandra and Tony Kirby

On duty next week 3 Jun

Welcoming: Jon Schrader, Brian Burrell

Sound: Peter Cowley

Offering: Sonia Petrie, Margaret Pannett Coffee/tea: Julie Brough & David Thorne

Time with the Children: Linda Wilkins
Readings: Fiona McDougal
Prayers of the People: Colma Froggatt
Musician: Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's			
Sun 27 May	10 am	Sunday gathering: Pentecost. Liturgist and	
		preacher: Margaret.	
	11.30 am	Exploring Faith- compassion group	
	4 pm	Wososi – World Song Singers – in concert	
Wed 30 May	12.15 pm	Free Lunchtime Concert	
		Guitar Students of the NZSM	
Thu 31 May	7 pm	Living the Questions. Week 3.	
Friday 1 Jun	10 am	Queen Margaret College	
		Middle School Church Service	
Sun 3 Jun	10 am	Sunday gathering	
	11.30 am	Congregational Brunch	

COMPASSION GROUP TODAY 27TH MAY

All welcome. Starting at 11.30 am in an upstairs room at back of church. This month's topic is "Concern for Everybody"

This is based on chapter 9 from the Karen Armstrong book - "Twelve steps to a compassionate life".

But you do not need to have read the book or this chapter to take part. A summary will be provided. Would be great to see "Everybody" there. A peaceful heart to all. Many thanks. Mike WR

LIVING THE QUESTIONS

Introduction to Progressive Christianity DVD and discussion series (7) led by Margaret. Week 3 this Thursday 7 - 8:30 pm. There are fliers on the back table if you would like to pass them onto someone you think could be interested. For more information www.livingthequestions.com

THE JUNE MEETING OF PRESBYTERY will take the form of a seminar led by the Moderator of the General Assembly, The Rt Rev Peter Cheyne and is open to all who would like to attend – not just members of Presbytery.

Date/Time: Tuesday 19 June 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm Note Change From Usual Meeting Time

Place: Tawa Union Church, 6 Elena Place, Tawa

Topic: The seminar looks at the call to make disciples and how churches can implement the disciple-making principles we see used by Jesus.

Tea and coffee will be served during the evening.

ENNEAGRAM WORKSHOP 30 June and 1 July

Join us on a journey of self-discovery that will enrich your life in more ways than you could ever imagine.

\$120 8.45 am - 4 pm each day.

Brochures are on the back table.

The word I use to describe the Enneagram is 'profound'. It has the capacity to enrich your life. At a deeper level it supports the journey to self-knowledge – Vincent Maire (Presenter)

Enneagram so far has been very interesting and helpful and I'm sure that others in the Presbytery would find it a good use of a weekend as well. The Rev Sharon Ross Ensor, Wadestown Presbyterian Church

WHITE POPPIES

Peace Movement Aotearoa advise that donations totalling \$42.00 were received from St Andrew's. They are very grateful for our support in funding the White Poppy Peace Scholarships.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON BACK TABLE/NOTICEBOARDS

DARING TO BE FAMILY – exploring being families today. 8 - 11 June 2012 Adelaide. Keynote Speaker: Rev Dr Margaret Mayman.

DEATH & DIVERSITY EXHIBITION Museum of Wellington City & Sea

- 10 June Remembering a loved one.
- 23 June Youth perspectives on grief/loss including death



Tuesday June 12, 19 & 26 and July 3

A series of four lunchtime lectures by Professor Lloyd Geering

Evolution: The Real Genesis

Not by design but by chance events

How did we come to be here? Was there really a big bang? Are we here by design, or through a succession of accidents?

However you look at this, it's a miracle we are here at all. In this series of talks, Lloyd Geering will sketch how modern scientists have been revealing the story of how we humans came to be here on planet earth, superseding the stories told by priests, prophets and the Holy Scriptures of old.

What a mind-boggling story it is, full of chance events and cosmic catastrophes! Professor Geering will show how the more humans understand our common origin and our close relationship with this earth, the more we will be motivated to work in unity to counter successfully our current global problems.

Lecture 1 • June 12 • 12:15–1:00pm Cosmogenesis – The Emergence of the Universe

Lecture 2 • June 19 • 12:15–1:00pm Geogenesis – The Emergence of the Earth

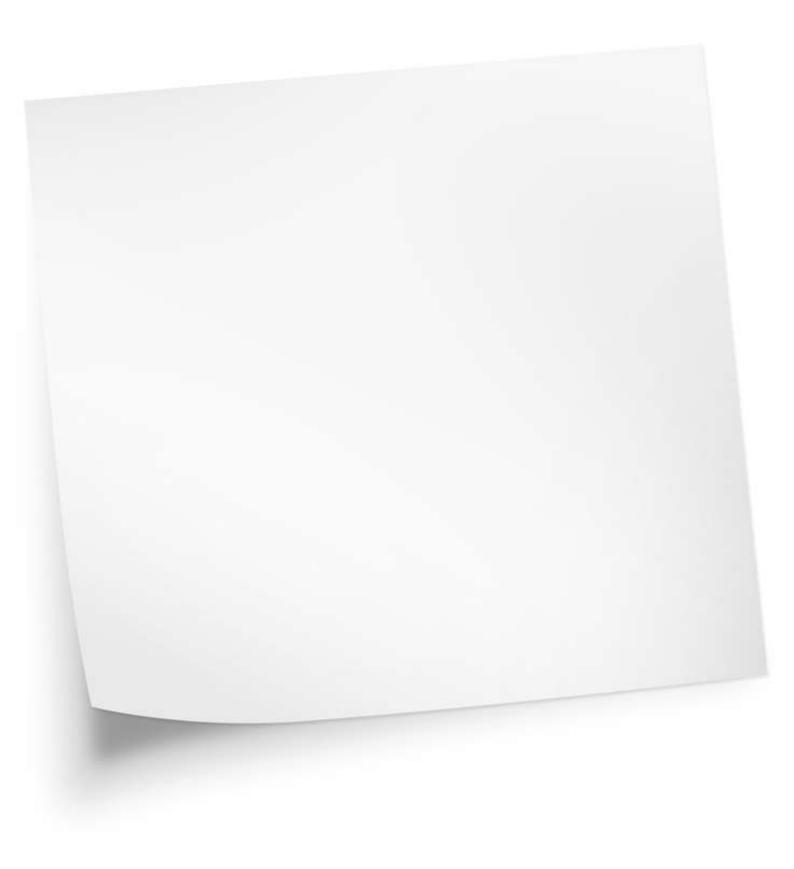
Lecture 3 • June 26 • 12:15–1:00pm Biogenesis – The Emergence of Life

Lecture 4 • July 3 • 12:15–1:00pm Anthropogenesis – The Emergence of Humankind



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Notes . Questions .. Comments ...



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

Senior Minister	Margaret Mayman
Parish Council Convenor	Sandra Kirby
Parish Council Clerk	Heather Macfarlane
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Saving St Andrew's Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Pastoral Convenors	Colma Froggatt, Fiona McDougal
Music Coordinator	Jane Keller
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Commissioner	Helen Beaumont
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Monika Demuth-Barber
Parish Manager	David Medland
Custodian	Peter Cowley

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