

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

15 April 2012



2nd Sunday of Easter



Huddled.

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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 NZ hymnbook *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: stop, drop and hold.*

GATHERING

Let there be joy in our coming together this morning.
Let there be truth heard in the words we speak and the songs we sing.
Let there be help and healing for our disharmony and despair.
Let there be silence for the voice within us and beyond us.
Let there be joy in our coming together.
Let us be nurtured in the presence of God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is risen while earth slumbers

Words: Iona Community. Tune: Hyfrydol

1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers,
Christ has risen where hope died,
As he said and as he promised,
As we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing;
Let the sun sustain the cheer;
Let the world confirm the rumour:
Christ is risen, God is here!
2. Christ has risen for the people
Whom he died to love and save;
Christ has risen for the women
Bringing flowers to grace his grave.
Christ has risen for disciples
Huddled in an upper room.
He whose word inspired creation
can't be silenced by the tomb.

3. Christ has risen to companion
Former friends who fear the night,
Sensing loss and limitation
Where their faith had once burned bright.
They bemoan what is no longer,
They expect no hopeful sign
Till Christ ends their conversation,
breaking bread and sharing wine.
4. Christ has risen and forever
Lives to challenge and to change
All whose lives are stressed or damaged,
All who find religion strange.
Christ is risen. Christ is present
Making us what he has been —
Evidence of transformation
in which God is known and seen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janet Morley (based on Mark 16:1-8)

When we are despairing;
when the world is full of grief;
when we see no way ahead,
and hope has gone away.

Roll back the stone.

Although we fear change;
although we are not ready;
although we'd rather weep
and run away.

Roll back the stone.

because we hope where hope is in vain;
because you call us from the grave
and show they way.

Roll back the stone.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

PASSING THE PEACE

THE TRADITION IN TEXTS

Ross Young

First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Gospel

John 20:19-31

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.

Contemporary Expression

"Doubting Thomas"

Nickel Creek from *Why should the fire die?*

What will be left when I've drawn my last breath,
Besides the folks I've met and the folks who know me,
Will I discover a soul saving love,
Or just the dirt above and below me,
I'm a doubting Thomas,
I took a promise,
But I do not feel safe,
Oh me of little faith,
Sometimes I pray for a slap in the face,
Then I beg to be spared 'cause I'm a coward,
If there's a master of death I'll bet he's holding his breath,
As I show the blind and tell the deaf about his power,
I'm a doubting Thomas,
I can't keep my promises,
'Cause I don't know what's safe,
Oh me of little faith
Can I be used to help others find truth,
When I'm scared I'll find proof that it's a lie,
Can I be lead down a trail dropping bread crumbs,
That prove I'm not ready to die,
Please give me time to decipher the signs,
Please forgive me for time that I've wasted,

I'm a doubting Thomas,
I'll take your promise,
Though I know nothin's safe,
Oh me of little faith

REFLECTION

Margaret Mayman

Believing, belonging, becoming...

HYMN

Lord, turn our grieving into grace

Words: Shirley Murray. Music: Ian Render

Lord, turn our grieving into grace:
another way of being,
learning what others have to face,
another way of seeing;
Lord, by the sharing of the pain,
lift up the stone,
lift up the stone,
lift up the stone
that weighs us down.

Grow in these dark resistant fears
the seedlings of compassion,
draw from this spring of helpless tears
a love that you would fashion,
till, through the anguish of today,
hope takes us on,
hope takes us on,
hope takes us on
another way.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***We trust in God, the Creator Spirit
who moved upon the face of the deep
at the beginning of creation,
who created all that is,
and who spoke through the prophets of old.***

***We trust in Jesus Christ
into whom God's spirit was poured
in fullness and in power,
that the whole creation might be restored and unified;
and who promised that the Spirit would come
and fill the faithful with power to witness
to the mighty love of God.***

***We await on that Spirit today with longing hearts,
seeking to be empowered to the witness to God's love,
with fresh words and courageous actions
of love and hope.***

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***Glory be to God — Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit —
now and always. Amen.***

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 DEDICATION

***We look for a gentler humanity, a kinder world:
with our money and our hearts,
with our minds and with every good intention,
let this be our prayer.***

*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

We think today of the people of Ireland and Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. In New Zealand, we remember those in parliament, and today we name David Clendon and Clayton Cosgrove, List MP's. Here in Wellington we pray for the leaders and people of the Pacific Islanders Congregation Church of Christ The King, Porirua.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREWS

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HYMN

AA 5 Because You Live O Christ

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

May the justice of God rule in our land
may the compassion of God temper our leaders
may the wisdom of God guide the people
may the mothering of God protect the weak
may the forgiveness of God break down barriers
may the peace of God bind us together
may the love of God give birth to a new day
and the blessing of God, Creator, Liberator, and Presence
make us more human every day. Amen.

Thanks to Peter Franklin, our organist 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:	Diane Lawrence, Catherine Wylds
Sound:	Frank Cook
Offering:	Joan Tyler, Ann Barrie
Coffee/tea:	Linda Wilkins, James Cone
Musician:	Peter Franklin

On duty Sunday 22 April

Welcoming:	Heather Macfarlane, Fiona McDougal
Sound:	Frank Cook
Offering:	Joan Tyler, Ann Barrie
Coffee/tea:	Norman Wilkins, Douglas Wood
Time with the Children:	Frank Cook
Readings:	Anna Smith
Prayers of the People:	Ellen Murray
Musician:	Clare Brockett

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sun 15 Apr	10 am 11:30 am	Sunday gathering. Margaret leading. Social Justice programme
Mon 16 Apr	6 pm	Book Launch <i>Workers in the Margins</i>
Tues 17 Apr	12 noon 5.30 pm	Main Street Singers <i>Charity Concert for Christchurch Earthquake</i> Peace Movement Aotearoa. <i>Public Forum on Government Spending Priorities</i>


Wed 18 Apr	12.15 pm	Free Lunchtime Concert <i>Solo piano recital by Nicola Melville</i>
Sun 22 Apr	10 am 11:30 am	Sunday gathering. Margaret leading. Exploring Faith

THE COMPASSION GROUP will meet again on Sunday April 22 at 11.30 am in Conference Room 1.

Rather than reading a chapter in Karen Armstrong's book, this time we will be considering the life and work of a famous New Zealander who spent her life trying to embody the complex quality of compassion, Suzanne Aubert.

Everyone is welcome, even if you haven't come before.

Please speak to Fiona or Mike or email
 Fiona fionamc98@yahoo.com
 or Mike mikewr09@gmail.com.

	<p>BOOK LAUNCH: <i>You Who Delight Me— by Bronwyn Angela White</i></p> <p>Tuesday 24th April 2012 from 5.30 pm at St Andrew's on The Terrace.</p> <p>PLEASE ADVISE number attending to <u>rsvp@steeleroberts.co.nz</u> or <i>phone 499-0044, or show you're going on Bronwyn's Facebook Event page—but please rsvp just once!</i></p>
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SAVE THE DATE – LIVING THE QUESTIONS

Introduction to Progressive Christianity dvd and discussion series led by Margaret.

Seven Thursday evenings 7 - 8:30 pm beginning 17 May.

For further information about Living Questions, have a look at their website <http://www.livingthequestions.com>

AN EXCLUSIVE SCREENING OF 'INSIDE CHILD POVERTY' THE DOCUMENTARY

When: Monday, 23rd April 6 pm for a 6.45pm screening.

Where: Roxy Cinema, 5 Park Road, Miramar, Wellington

Tickets: \$25 per person. Book now to avoid disappointment

With special guests – Bryan Bruce, Tom Scott & Susan St John.

See noticeboard for more information.

DARING TO BE A FAMILY – exploring being families today.

8 – 11 June 2012 Adelaide.

Keynote Speaker: Rev Dr Margaret Mayman.

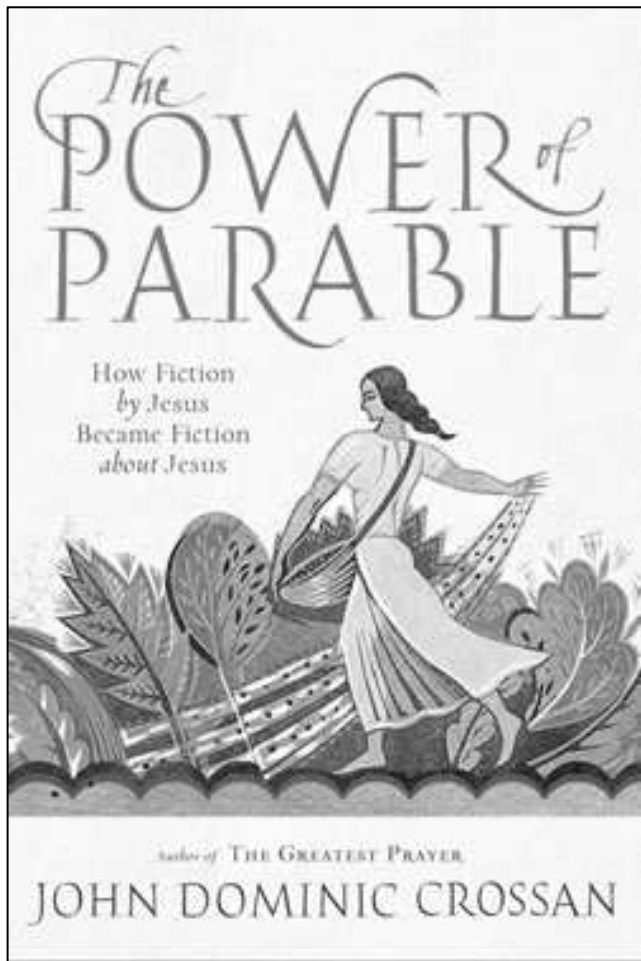
For more information visit tinyurl.com/daring2012 or join 'Daring 2012' Facebook page.



See back table for promotional cards.

DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY FOODBANK:

Contributions appreciated for the following goods: Noodles; Packet/Tinned Soups; Casseroles (Tinned); Packet meals for one; Tinned Tuna; Spreads: Honey, Marmalade, Peanut butter, Jam.



Visit to Sydney by Professor John Dominic Cross

John is a renowned international progressive biblical scholar. He is visiting Sydney, Australia to deliver a series of lectures and one major public address in September this year.

**Tuesday 4 to Friday September 7
2012**

**Nine Lecture series delivered
over three days.**

**www.commondreams.org.au
info@commondreams.org.au**

John Dominic Crossan was born in Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, Ireland in 1934. He was educated in Ireland and the United States, received a Doctorate of Divinity from Maynooth College, Ireland in 1959, and did post-doctoral research at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome from 1959 to 1961 and at the École Biblique in Jerusalem from 1965 to 1967.

He was a member of a 13th century Roman Catholic religious order, the Servites (Ordo Servorum Mariae), from 1950 to 1969 and an ordained priest from 1957 to 1969.

He joined DePaul University, Chicago in 1969 and remained there until 1995. He is now a Professor Emeritus in its Department of Religious Studies.

Check the web if you want to know more. Registration forms will be available in due course.

QUESTIONS ... THOUGHTS ... 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
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