

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

5th May 2013

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Pluralism Sunday

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.*

During the building of the Welcome Centre, the only toilets available are upstairs in the Conference Centre. Access is via the external stairway at the back of the car park. We apologise for lack of disability access until August 2013.

GATHERING

We come to re-weave the unravelling fabric of community
To re-connect once more with the larger human family
To find once more that place of calm.
To remind ourselves that we belong
And to remember what it is we belong to.
Let us celebrate life in the company of the Sacred.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Words: G Stuart. Music: Austria WOV 374i

Coming to a place of candour,
Where beliefs and creeds confer;
We will not react with anger,
Nor tell others where they err.
Can we speak of faith and doctrine?
Can we listen - really hear?
As we meet can we imagine
That new insights may appear?

When we hear some different teaching,
When we try to understand;
Different faiths can be disturbing,
And can question where we stand;
We need not forsake devotion
for the One whom we adore;
But we can share inspiration;
We can question and explore.

We can pledge to be accepting;
Put behind us lack of trust;
We can practise understanding,
Shun rebuke that is unjust.
If we can affirm each other,
Be as friend and not as foe,
We can meet and share together;
Plant respect and let it grow.

OPENING RESPONSES

We come to be opened by visions that can enlist us
in larger causes and more caring actions.
We come to hear stories that might take us
into a deeper kind of integrity, and reconnect us
with our better selves.

*So may the warmer fullness that we seek
fill our hearts, our minds and our spirits.*

WELCOME

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

PRAYER

JESUS' PRAYER

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LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Colma Froggatt

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme
to learn the stories of our faith and to find your spiritual path.
God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Frances Porter

Buddhism

excerpt from the Kalama Sutta
– from *The Numerical Discourses of the Buddha*

Christian

Acts 11: 1-18
Peter at Joppa

Progressive Judaism

“In the beginning”
Rabbi Arthur Waskow

RESPONSE

For the truth made known in texts,
for the wisdom found on different paths,
for the hope that leads us on,
We give thanks.

HYMN

Words and Music: Colin Gibson in *Faith forever singing*

We are many, we are one,
and the work of Christ is done
when we learn to live in true community,
as the stars that fill the night,
as a flock of birds in flight,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the branches of a tree,
as the waves upon the sea,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

All division is made whole
when we honour every soul,
find the life of God in every you and me,
as the fingers of a hand,
as the grains that form the sand,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the threads upon a loom,
as a field of flowers in bloom,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

We will join creation's song,
make a world where all belong,
build as one in peace and loving harmony,
as the voices of a choir,
as the flames within a fire,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the snowflakes in the snow,
as the colours of a bow,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

REFLECTION

Ramsey Margolis

On Pluralism Sunday, we welcome Ramsey who is a secular Buddhist.

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

*For all the saints who went before us
who have spoken to our hearts:
we offer our praise.*

*For all the saints who live beside us:
we offer our gratitude.*

*For all the saints who live beyond us
who challenge us to change the world with them:
we offer our thanks. Amen.*

*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

Graham Howell

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Rwanda and the Protestant Council of Rwanda. In New Zealand, we remember those in parliament, and today we name Metiria Turei and Nicky Wagner, List MPs. Here in Wellington, we pray for the Wellington Insight Meditation Community and the Wellington Interfaith Council.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to the table. 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 to partake of the communion. This sacred meal is for all people.

Communion is served by intinction. Take a piece of bread (big enough to dip) or gluten free cracker and dip it in either the grape juice (pottery chalice) or wine (silver chalice). If you don't wish to receive communion, you are welcome to remain in your seat or come forward to receive a blessing (hold your hands clasped in front).

HYMN

Common Dreams

Words and Music by Scott Kearns

*We're moved by a vision
of the world at peace,
where justice and compassion
rule ev'rywhere supreme.
Joined with one another
in the work that lies ahead,
in living out our common dreams,
(living out our dreams)
with love as our strength and guide.*

All around the world
we've diff'rent ways of seeing,
bringing one and all
to diff'rent ways of being.
Stands must be taken
yet bridges must be built:
only love can lead to unity.

Chorus

As we travel on,
discovering together,
much we leave behind
yet much we hold as treasure.

Change can enrich us,
yet challenge all we've known:
only love can lead to harmony.

Chorus

COMMUNION PRAYER

God is the heart of life.

And we are the heartbeat.

May our hearts be filled
with thanks and praise and songs of joy.

***We rejoice in the miracle of life
and delight in our participation.***

Creating God, Source of Life, we offer our thanks.

The smell of garden after rain,

The surprise of birds in flight,

The taste of peach and plum and nectarine,

For all gifts simple and profound,

in country and city,

in paddock, or garden or water:

We give thanks.

We give thanks.

We who hold all such good things in trust

give thanks to you as Good Creator,

joining in the praise of all your people:

Holy! Holy! Holy!

Heaven and earth are holy and good.

Holy is peace.

Holy is truth. Holy is love.

In this season of transition

as the leaves begin their subtle change of colour

and our hearts cling to the warmth as the days shorten,

once again we are reminded,

that new possibilities can rise from our failures

or disappointments

or what has come to an end.

We give thanks for all the influences in our lives

that have helped us to see beyond the present:

that teach us to combine labour and rest,
that bring us the cycles of time and season,
that sustain us when we are in need.

God loves in us;

God cares through us;

God laughs in us;

God cries in us, as nowhere else.

Especially we give thanks for Jesus of Nazareth,
gatherer of people,
teller of stories,
breaker of bread,
pourer of wine,
weaver of lives.

In his life, wisdom, stories and social vision
we recall the words he spoke to call forth in us
love, care and respect for one another:

***And we believe the same Spirit of God
that came to visibility in Jesus and his people
yearns for visible expression in us.***

So now we take this bread and this wine...
May they be a constant presence
of the Spirit of Life and Love
healing,
renewing
and making us whole.

Together we remember our past.

Together we discern our present.

Together we shape our future.

HYMN

For everyone born a place at the table

Words: Shirley Murray. Music: Brian Mann

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing
for everyone born, a star overhead.

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice
and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice
justice and joy!*

For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair.

For gay and for straight, a place at the table,
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,
a rainbow of race and gender and colour,
for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace,

For just and unjust, a place at the table,
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
for just and unjust, a new way to live.

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

Fall in love with living
wrestling with the chaos
and the pain within yourself and within the world.
Join the celebration of life.
And may the God of peace and joy,
who is continually making all things new,
embrace you as a partner in the divine creating.

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

AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Please note: If you wish to listen to the Sunday reflections, please visit our website using the link below.

<http://www.standrews.org.nz/sunday-gathering/orders-of-service/>

**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.

Thanks to this week's volunteers	
Welcoming:	Linda Wilkins
Sound:	Sarah Jobson
Offering:	Paul Satherley, Ross Young
Coffee/tea:	James Cone, Douglas Wood
Time with the Children:	Colma Froggatt
Readings:	Frances Porter
Prayers of the People:	Graham Howell
Musician:	Peter Franklin
Communion:	Fiona McDougal, Norman Wilkins, Frank Cook

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's		
Sun 5 May	10 am	Pluralism Sunday gathering led by Margaret. Reflection by Ramsey Margolis of the Wellington Insight Meditation Community.
	11.30 am	Café brunch
Mon 6 May	7 pm	<i>'Writing with Spirit'</i> - a Spirited Conversation with Jo Randerson. Thistle Inn. Join for a meal at 5.30 pm.
Wed 8 May	12.15 pm	Lunchtime concert - <i>Viola Viva</i>
Sun 12 May	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Tony and Sandra Kirby.
	11.30 am	Congregational Conversation

SPIRITED CONVERSATION

“Writing with Spirit” a Spirited Conversation with Jo Randerson, actor/writer. Monday 6 May • 7pm • Join us for a meal from 5.30pm. Thistle Inn (upstairs), 3 Mulgrave Street, Wellington.



“As a writer, it is not cold hard, logical fact-based truth that I seek, but rather the more elusive kind: deep, universal truth that cannot be logically understood but can only be felt as an internal and inexplicable stirring of the soul.”

RAINBOW ROOM

Moni and Jenny need to have at least one other adult with them when they take the children out for Rainbow Room and so we want to compile a list of volunteers who would be willing to take a turn two or three times a year. This is important for safety and is also a great way to get to know the children better. Please email David in the office if you can help and Margaret or Moni will be in touch with you.

PRESBYTERY ELDER

St Andrew's needs to appoint a lay person to join Margaret in representing us at Wellington Presbytery. Presbytery meets at a church in the region on the third Tuesday of alternate months at 6:30 pm. Being a Presbytery commissioner involves participating in these meetings and also being involved in a sub-committee. The Presbytery needs people who are strategic thinkers who can help resource mission in our contemporary context and pastoral people who are able to support congregations who are facing challenging times because of building issues or declining numbers. If you think you might be willing to serve the church in this way, please speak to Margaret, Sonia or Sandra Kirby (who is our alternate elder).



KAIWAIATA (SINGERS) for Matariki service
We'll be celebrating Matariki on Sunday 9th June.
St Andrew's Singers – and anyone else who'd like to join in – will meet to learn and practice waiata on Sunday 19th and 26th May and 2nd June at 0915. For more information, please talk with Jane Keller - or just turn up to rehearsals. Tēnā koutou!

ENEMY LOVE

Exploring gentleness, vulnerability, prayer and enemy love in the service of a non-violent engagement with the discipleship queries of our age.

6 days and nights of fasting and prayer in solidarity with the Waihopai Ploughshares 3 and their Appeal Court hearing on May 8th and 9th.

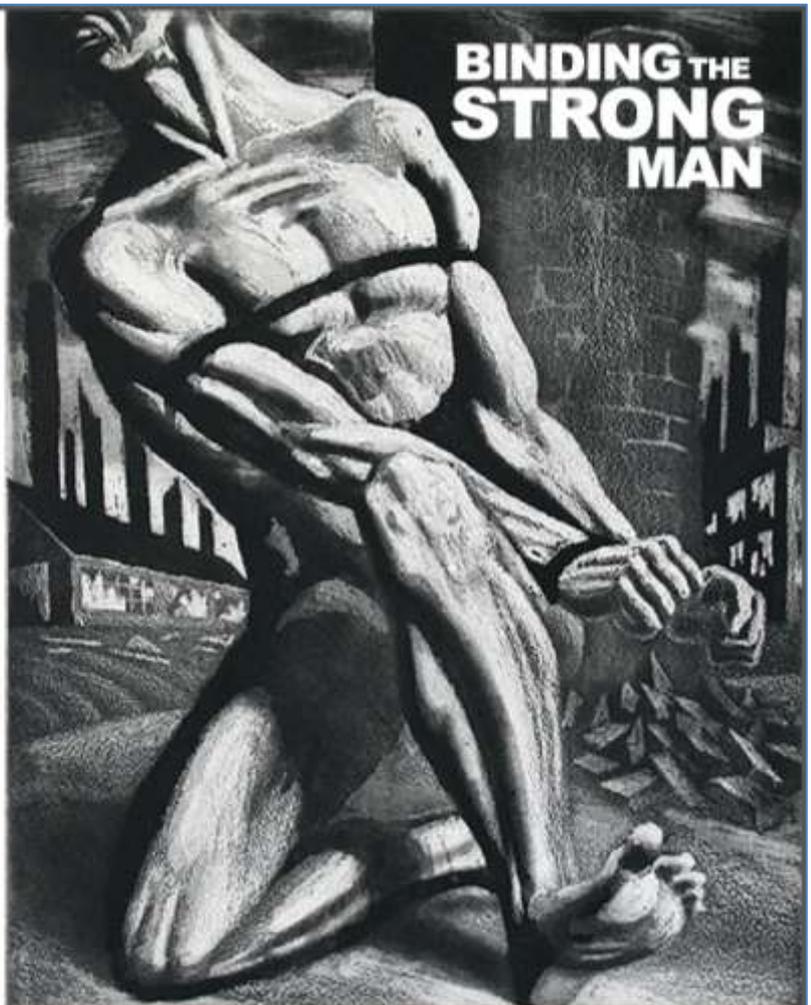
Come and join our inclusive community of peace and love; remembering in prayer all the victims of war, rendition and torture. Join us in fasting and prayer for whistle-blowers and peacemakers everywhere, as well as all our brothers and sisters caught up in violent conflict.

Come with contributions for the peace shrine at St Andrew's and thoughts towards the clarification of EnemyLove. All welcome.

Beginning 2pm Friday May 3rd

Starting on every second hour (8am, 10am, 12pm, etc) there will be a short prayer liturgy for about 15 minutes. In the times between prayer, we will do Christian meditation, Taize, reading and discussion of peace texts, etc. Open to the public between 8am and 10pm each day of the fast.

**May 3rd - 9th, St Andrew's
on The Terrace, Wellington**



Contact: Rev Dr Margaret Mayman 027 226 4608 - www.standrews.org.nz - or Adi Leason 06 364-8966 - www.ploughshares.org.nz

SAVING ST ANDREW'S FUNDRAISER – YOGA CLASS

Vraja, a yoga teacher who has regular classes here, has offered to run a yoga class as a fundraiser for Saving St Andrew's.

Saturday 11 May from 5 – 6pm in the hall here at St Andrew's on The Terrace. \$15 per person.

DCM FOOD DAY APPEAL is early this year, Saturday 18 May. St Andrews volunteers needed for the afternoon shift from 1-6pm at Newtown New World. Graham is organising this again and he can be contacted at 022-0987330, graham_hwll@yahoo.co.nz

CELEBRITY COOKING COMPETITION

11am Saturday 11 May 2013 Le Cordon Bleu Institute
Two teams ... one hour of exciting cooking.

Featuring Mayor Celia Wade-Brown, Grant Robertson, Steve Logan and Sarah Bradley. Take 4 celebrities. Mix under the watchful eye of Chef Adam Newell. Things are bound to heat up and at the very best be hilarious. Free entrance.

CHILD POVERTY SEMINAR



Save the Children
New Zealand

The Lower Hutt Branch in association with the Waiwhetu Uniting Church is delighted to present a Seminar on Child Poverty in New Zealand.

Wednesday 8 May 2013 at 7.30 pm at the Waiwhetu Uniting Church, 6 Trafalgar Street, Waiwhetu, Lower Hutt.

Hear leading experts and commentators discuss a significant issue facing New Zealand society today. This is your chance to be informed on what might have caused this crisis, and be challenged on what can be done about it.

Speakers include Arthur Davis, Chair, Immediate Past-President, Save the Children NZ; Deborah Morris-Travers, Manager of *Every Child Counts*, an organisation committed to the well-being of children in NZ; Dr Jonathan Boston, Co-Chair of the Children's Commissioner's Expert Advisory Group on Solutions to Child Poverty in NZ; Julia Milne and Bunnie Willing, Principal, Epuni School.

There will be opportunity for questions and comments after each speaker followed by supper and opportunity to discuss the issues.

A koha to defray expenses and donations for work in NZ supported by Save the Children would be appreciated.

Phone 569-5338 or 569-9635 for further information.

DCM FOODBANK: Contributions of food always welcome & necessary. Some suggestions: Instant coffee, Tinned fruit salad, Breakfast cereals & spreads, e.g. Honey; Packets of noodles, Prepared packet meals; Rice risotto.

UN-USED POSTAGE PAID ENVELOPES – SAVING ST ANDREW'S

If you have received a postage paid envelope from St Andrew's and do not wish to use it for a Saving St Andrew's donation, can you please return it to the office so that we can re-use it. Thank you!

POST BUDGET BREAKFAST. BUDGET 2013: What's in it for our youngest citizens?

CHiLD POVERTY ACTION GROUP

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it affects children and young people, especially our most vulnerable.

Friday May 17 from 7.15am – 8.45am.
Loaves and Fishes, 10 Hill St, beside
Wellington Cathedral

Each year CPAG in
partnership with the PHA
provides child-focused
analyses and commentary
the year's budget and how



Please join us for breakfast, excellent speakers and a Q&A session.

This year's speakers are

Professor Paul Dalziel, Professor of Economics and Deputy Director of the Agribusiness & Economic Research Unit, Lincoln University, Christchurch

Judith Nowotarski, National President, New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI)

Athene Laws, CPAG Youth Member and Economics Student, Victoria University of Wellington

Chair: Dr Warren Lindberg, Chief Executive Officer, Public Health Association

Tickets are \$20 for waged persons and \$10 for unwaged.

If you have any questions about the event or how to register please contact Marianna at admin@cpag.org.nz or visit our website www.cpag.org.nz

CWS SYRIAN REFUGEE APPEAL

Syria's violent civil war is pushing refugees toward uncertain futures where support systems are often overwhelmed by demand.

CWS has launched an appeal for Syrian refugees in Jordan and Lebanon who are partly supported by long-time CWS partner, the Department of Service for Palestinian Refugees (DSPR). Their work with Syrian refugees involves many Palestinian families who are now "double refugees" having fled into Syria years ago and now being forced to leave again.

DSPR have been able to provide families with medical care and check-ups. They have distributed food packs, kitchen utensils, women's hygiene products, stoves, infant clothes, stationery and school bags. The demand for these goods just keeps escalating with an estimated 5000 people fleeing from Syria every day.

As the vicious civil war rages on it is estimated that a third of all homes within Syria have now been destroyed. There are an estimated four million internally displaced people within Syria and over 1 million refugees in neighbouring lands. Where host countries have provided refugee camps the camps are swamped by demand.

The majority of the refugee population (75 per cent) is women and children. For all the groups involved in supporting them, protecting against sexual and gender based violence and prevention and response services for child protection are key priorities.

Groups like DSPR with connections amongst the Palestinian community are ideally placed to help those in greatest need. It is estimated that three quarters of the refugees are living in host communities that are struggling to cope.

To support the CWS Syrian Refugee Appeal go online to:
www.cws.org.nz/donate Direct Deposit - Name of Account: Christian World Service, Account number: ANZ 06 0817 0318646 00, ref: Syria Refugee Appeal.

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	Margaret Mayman
Parish Council Convenor	Sonia Petrie
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
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	
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Monika Demuth-Barber
Parish Manager	David Medland
Custodian	Peter Cowley

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