St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

29 September 2013



19th Sunday after Pentecost



Women of the early church

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 December 2013.

GATHERING

Dorothy McRae-McMahon

God of the unexpected,
God who crashes through our assumptions:

We worship you.

God, whose friends break through the boundaries Of preconceived ideas and rules:

We worship you.

God, whose life is written in bold strokes of love Beyond anything which we can predict or dream:

We come to worship you in spirit and in truth!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Out of the silent world

Words: Unknown | Tune: Dominus Regit

Out of the silent world they come, the deaconess, the mother, the artist and the missionary, the teacher and the kuia.

Out of the silent world they sing their songs of faith undaunted; of courage in the lonely place, of loyalty unvaunted. Out of the silent world they call to sail the farthest ocean, to act within the busy world with daring and devotion.

Out of the silent world they spin Their thread of love unbroken, For us to weave the fabric now, The tukutuku pattern.

And we the children of such love, give God the praise and glory, And honour those who honoured Christ, As we take up the story.

OPENING RESPONSES

We remember our foremothers in faith,

Who from ages immemorial

Wove threads of meaning through difficult times.

We honour the invisible heroines of the past,

Who suffered in silence, brought healing to the hurt, children to birth and wisdom to seekers after truth.

We acknowledge the wild women in our midst,

Activists, protestors, doers, questioners,

Creators, copers, strengtheners and humourists.

May their courage and vitality be ours also.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora.*

PRAYER

Drenched Bruce Sanguin

We open to the patient presence of Spirit, waiting for willing souls future fashioning artists to share with Her a palette of possibility. Waiting for fourteen billion years, for us to take up the brush and daub and dab new colours - our true colours onto the unformed canvas of the future.

Spirit waiting for this moment to arrive, to plunge those with ears to hear into the waterfall of grace, shrieking with laughter and delight under the thundering baptismal water.

Baptise us once more in the Spirit, so that our bold strokes may draw a wider circle and play a part in describing our universe.

LORD'S PRAYER on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Dawn Cowdry

Rainbow Room is on recess this Sunday because of the school holidays. There are toys at the back of the church that children are welcome to enjoy.

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS

Douglas Wood

Hebrew Bible Psalm 125 "Nourished by the word of life" Nan Merrill

New Testament 1 Timothy 2:8-15

Contemporary reading

A Christian community alive to its own revolutionary traditions. Linda Maloney

"By acknowledging that the rhetoric of these documents is prescriptive rather than descriptive- that it reacts to and seeks to <u>change</u> reality rather than painting its portrait- we are able to discern more about the communities in question..... But the inordinate amount of space given over to "correcting" the behaviour of certain persons and groups in the communities shows that these were the active forces against which the author is reacting.

Instead of looking at the scene through the writer's eyes and taking his point of view as normative and "orthodox" we have shifted the perspective to that of the persons and groups he opposes. We thus saw that teaching different ideas, itineracy, lively discussion of ideas and practices, and a disruption of prescribed social and household norms could be the marks of a Christian community alive to its own revolutionary traditions."

"The Pastoral Epistles" Linda Maloney in Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza. Ed Searching the Scriptures; A Feminist commentary

RESPONSE

For the words of God that challenge us, for the words of God we wrestle with or reject, for the word of God strong within us, *We give thanks.*

HYMN

Stories unfold, a mathematical tune
Words: Andrew Pratt | Music: Shenstone Peter Cutts

Stories unfold, a mathematical tune Guiding the words like the weft on a loom; Intricate spirals and webs of delight, Shining with dew as the dawn ends the night. The pattern, the purpose, we seek to appraise Is no confirmation of God, or God's ways.

Words left unguarded, or chained to a thought, Canonised, catechised, dogmatised, taught; Wrought into creeds and passed down age to age; Testament, scripture, so we name the page. It says in the Bible that we should believe But this is no proof we should blindly receive.

We'll not reach up to take hold of the hope,
Nor can our children yet ration God's scope.
Faith that we fathom, the love that holds fast,
Prizes like these are beyond human grasp;
For, just when we think that we've made God our own,
The spirit wind changes, the caged bird has flown.

Alive to our revolutionary traditions

HYMN

AA113 *Our life has its seasons*Colin Gibson

Our life has its seasons, and God has the reasons why spring follows winter, and new leaves grow, for there's a connection with our resurrection that flowers will bud after frost and snow.

So there's never a time to stop believing, There's never a time for hope to die, There's never a time to stop loving, These three things go on.

There's a time to be planting,
A time to be plucking,
A time to be laughing,
A time to weep,
A time to be building,
A time to be breaking,
A time to be waking,
A time to sleep.

But there's never a time.....

There's a time to be hurting, a time to be healing, a time to be saving, a time to spend, a time to be grieving, a time to be dancing, a time for beginning a time to end.

But there's never a time.....

Women; We believe in God who created woman and man in God's own image, who created the world and gave both sexes the care of the earth.

Men; We believe in Jesus, child of God, chosen of God, born of the woman Mary, who listened to women and liked them, who stayed in their homes, who discussed the Kingdom with them, who was followed and financed by women disciples.

All; We believe in Jesus who discussed theology with a woman at a well and first confided in her his messiahship, who motivated her to go and tell her great news to the city.

Women; We believe in Jesus who received anointing from a woman at Simon's house, who rebuked the men guests who scorned her. We believe in Jesus who said this woman will be remembered for what she did - minister to Jesus.

Men; We believe in Jesus who acted boldly to reject the blood taboo of ancient societies by healing the audacious woman who touched him.

All; We believe in Jesus who healed a woman on the Sabbath and made her straight because she was a human being.

Women; We believe in Jesus who spoke of God as a woman seeking the lost coin as a woman who swept seeking the lost.

Men; We believe in Jesus who thought of pregnancy and birth with reverence not as punishment – but as wrenching event, a metaphor for transformation, born again, anguish-into-joy.

All; We believe in Jesus, who spoke of himself as a mother hen who would gather her chicks under her wings.

Women; We believe in Jesus who appeared first to Mary Magdalene, who sent her with the bursting message, GO AND TELL...

Men; We believe in the wholeness of the Saviour in whom there is neither Jew nor Greek slave nor free male nor female for we are all one in salvation.

All; We believe in the Holy Spirit as she moves over the waters of creation and over the earth.

Women; We believe in the Holy Spirit as she yearns within us to pray for those things too deep for words.

Men; We believe in the Holy Spirit, the woman spirit of God, who like a hen created us and gave us birth and covers us with her wings.

All: WE BELIEVE, SO MAY IT BE!

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 <u>briefly</u> from the lectern.

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With trusting belief we bring these gifts and our intentions for the week to come, in the firm hope that they will share the love we ourselves experience in our daily lives and in our community.

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

Ellen Murray

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Tunisia and the Muslim people in Tunisia and throughout the world. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Bill English and Kris Faafoi, and the people of their electorates of Clutha-Southland and Mana. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the Wellington Korean Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

WOV335 *Come celebrate the women*Words: Shirley Murray | Tune: Ellacomb

Come celebrate the women who brought the church to birth! the gentle revolution that shall transform the earth: whose faith was salt and leaven, whose hearts and minds were free, and this was their direction to peace and unity.

The teachers, saints, and mothers who lived and died unsung kept safe the gospel story and taught it to the young: the Christ that Mary cradled: the Living Word to be was crucified for pleasing this peace and unity.

Daughters of the disciples, you weave the fabric still the fabric of the future with warmth and love and skill, you make the bread of wholeness, the wine of harmony and all shall share your feasting in peace and unity.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

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/



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

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:	Annemarie Treadwell, Keith Rimmer	
Sound:	Sarah Jobson	
Offering:	Graham Howell, Sonia Petrie	
Coffee/tea:	Janet Horncy, Jennifer Bush Daumec	
Time with the Children:	Dawn Cowdry	
Readings:	Douglas Wood	
Prayers of the People:	Ellen Murray	
Musician:	Peter Franklin	
On duty Sunday 6 October		
Welcoming:	Brian & Lyn Burrell	
Sound:	Frank Cook	
Offering:	Margaret Pannett, Ross Young	
Coffee/tea:	Pam Fuller, Ann Barrie	
Time with the Children:	Margaret Mayman	
Readings:	Douglas Wood	
Prayers of the People:	Ben Gray	
Musician:	Clare Brockett	
Communion:	Maxine Cunningham, Sonia Petrie,	
	Frank Hanson	

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's		
Sun 29 Sep	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Fiona McDougal
		and Maxine Cunningham
	2.30 pm	WCO concert
Tues 1 Oct	12.15 pm	Geering Lecture. Too many new stories!
		Which one should we tell? - Nigel Leaves
	7 pm	NZSM Woodwind Showcase concert
Wed 2 Oct	12.15 pm	Lunchtime concert – Classical Voice
		Students of the NZSM
Sat 5 Oct	7 pm	Wellington Youth Orchestra concert
Sun 6 Oct	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Margaret Mayman
		Reflection by Moderator, Rt Rev Ray Coster
	11.30 pm	Congregational Shared Brunch
	3 pm	Wellington Chamber Music Trust concert
	7.30 pm	NZSM Brass Quintet and NZSM Brass
		concert
Mon 7 Oct	7 pm	Spirited Conversation. From equal access to
		blind justice? The role of community law
		centres – Hannah Northover.
		Join for a meal from 5.30 pm

Following Common Dreams, **Margaret** is now on Annual Leave until 4 October.

GEERING LECTURE

Tuesday October 1st 12.15 – 1 pm Too many new stories! Which one should we tell?

- Nigel Leaves



NEXT SUNDAY

The Moderator, Rt Rev Ray Coster, will be preaching at St Andrew's on Sunday 6 October. Margaret will be creating and leading the liturgy. Ray will join us for a shared brunch in the hall after the service.

Everyone is welcome and invited to bring a plate of finger food to share. It would be great to have a very good turnout for this!

SPIRITED CONVERSATION

Monday October 7th 7 pm. Join for a meal from 5.30 pm



From equal access to blind justice? The role of community law centres

- Hannah Northover

LAST CHANCE! CAMP WAINUI

St Andrew's Weekend Away 2013

This year's church camp/weekend away will be held at Camp Wainui: 5pm Friday 11 October to 2pm Sunday 13 October.

The programme, registration forms and driving instructions are available via the e-news. If you would David to send you these, please call the office.

Please phone or email Colma if you plan to attend camp but haven't yet registered.

The final date for registrations will be Monday 7 October (04) 2399 268 colma@frogs.co.nz

The venue is about a 35 minute drive from central Wellington so if you aren't able to stay overnight you are more than welcome to come for the Saturday programme:

Either:

All day including dinner and the evening's entertainment © Or come for the morning programme and lunch at a reduced rate!

SAVE THE DATE: ST ANDREW'S ANNUAL MEETING

Our AGM is coming up on Sunday 20 Oct. As part of the preparation for this we are calling for nominations to the Parish Council. If you would like to be nominated or would like to nominate someone, please fill in a nomination form available at the back of the church. If you would like to know more about what being on Parish Council involves, have a chat with Sonia or any of the members of the Parish Council.

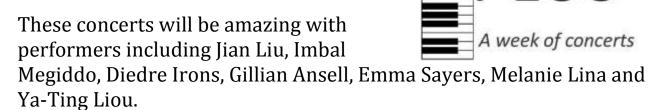
The St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society is looking for a volunteer to take the minutes for their monthly meetings (first Tues of the month from 5-6pm).

Please contact Ramsey Margolis if you are interested: ph: 04 970 3531 or email: heuristics@mac.com

Expressions of interest for being a St Andrew's community representative on the Board for the Study Trust are also being received at the moment. Please talk to Sonia if interested.

NOVEMBER 12 - 16TH

As a Saving St Andrew's Fundraiser, a series of concerts will be held in November. Every night from Tuesday 12th til Saturday 16th.



PIANO

PLUS

If you are willing to be involved on the night with door sales, please let David in the office know. Ph 472-9211 or email office@standrews.org.nz Thank you.

INVITATION...

To join a group to support Margaret in her induction as Minister of Pitt St Uniting Church, Sydney on Thursday 5 December 2013.

We have found hotel accommodation two doors from the church! And we can attend some lovely cultural events that are on in Sydney around that time!

Contact Rowena Somogyvary, ph 04 476 0600 or somogyvary@xtra.co.nz

SUNDAY SERVICE ROSTER

We are starting anew with the Sunday rosters.

There are sign-up sheets for Door duty/Welcoming, Operating the Sound System, The Children's Talk, Readings, Collection and recording of the Offering, Prayers, Morning Tea, Serving Communion.

Whether you have been on before or not, we are asking you to sign up with your preferences.

Either on the sign-up sheets at the back of the church or email Sonia Petrie at o3sonde@yahoo.co.nz

CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY

Just a reminder about our congregational library.

We are gradually developing a worthy and interesting collection of books and an increasing borrowership.

A selection of books from the library will be displayed along the rear pew each Sunday after church during coffee time. Please feel free to browse.

If you wish to borrow a book, there is a yellow issue book and pen. Just enter your name and details. Please return the book within a month.

Also, if you have a few favourite books that you would like to donate, we would be very happy to receive them and add them to the library.

Also, as you know, there are books that change your life and way of thinking. If there is a book that has had a big impact on you, and you would like to donate it, you might like to pen a few lines to go in the weekly e-newsletter, or the notices in the order of service, or give it a quick plug during congregational news in the service. Thanks to you all



Movie Fundraiser: Mr. Pip

Supporting trips to Myanmar: NZ-Myanmar Presbyterian Church Partnership

"As war rages in Papua New Guinea, a young girl is transfixed by Dickens' novel Great Expectations, read by the only white man in the village..."

OFFSPRING A weekend gathering for those involved in new missional ventures within the PCANZ.

1-5.30 pm Saturday 5 October 2013 Silverstream Retreat, Upper Hutt.

Workshop One: 1 – 3 pm. Afternoon Tea: 3 – 3.30 pm. Workshop Two 3.30 – 5.30 pm.

Cost: \$40 per person.

To register, please contact Sharon by 20 September at Sharon.rossensor@gmail.com or phone 027-810-4358

For more information about the workshop and the leaders, please visit www.pressgo-offspring.org.nz or take a brochure from the back table.

THE COMPASSIONATE HEART: NURTURING THE LIFE WITHIN

A meditation group retreat held in a peaceful rural setting near Featherston. (venue is wheelchair Accessible).

All welcome.

Friday night 4th – Sunday lunch 6th October Cost \$125.

Please book by Saturday 14th September

To book contact: Carole Hunt ph. 2341992 zcarole@vodafone.co.nz

Or Helen Gray ph.2399767 helenpgray@gmail.com

Organised by the Meditation Group which meets at St Andrew's,

Plimmerton

NZ RED CROSS FUNDRAISING

Thursday 24 October. Volunteers are needed for assistance with preparing red roses on Wed 23 and also for collectors on Thursday 24. Collection points will principally located at New World and Countdown supermarkets in the Wellington region.

If you are able to help, please contact Margaret Carson on 499-5827

SPANZ

The latest SPANZ magazine is now on the back table. Please take a complimentary copy.

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	Sandra Kirby
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Monika Demuth-Barber
Parish Manager	David Medland
Custodian	Peter Cowley

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