St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

24 November 2013



27th Sunday after Pentecost



"The meaning of life as gift"

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.

Tune: Nicea. Words: adapted by Jim Burklo

GATHERING

In the peace, in the presence, in the power, Let us sense the sacred. Let us celebrate life.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Holy, holy, love now ascending Early in the morning our song shall rise to you. Holy, holy, joy that has no ending Giving, forgiving, breathing life anew.

Holy, holy, holy, love without a limit Care that binds creation in sacred unity, Holy, holy, birthing every minute, Christ, Love's revealer, sets our spirits free.

Holy, holy, infinite compassion, Makes a place for every soul in God's eternal reign, Holy, holy, truth beyond religion, Love that endures should nothing else remain.

Holy, holy, raise your voice in singing, Join the cosmic chorus in praise of Love divine, Holy, holy, God beyond all naming, Echoes our song in harmony sublime. You beckon the whole universe into life, O God.

You, who are the source of all that is, our Creator.

You beckon us to follow you on the journey, O God.

You who are the Christ, light of the Way.

You beckon us still into new birthings, O God.

You who are Holy Spirit, our nurturer, our lover, our friend.

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tatou.

ST ANDREW'S SINGERS

All are welcome

Words and music: Marty Haugen

Let us build a house were love can dwell and all can safely live, A place where saints and children tell, how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace, Here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true. Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: A banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, As we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone To heal and strengthen, serve and teach and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger, bear the image of God's face, Let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome in this place.

PRAYER Bruce Sanguin

Let us gather now, friends of Spirit—travellers in time to hear the story of Love's evolving narrative.

In this sacred space, we release into the present, laying aside all worries, plans, and complaints, entering into the now of Mystery's eternal temple. In this sacred space, we honour our past, retelling the great story of deep time as Spirit's unfolding tale, giving thanks that a whole universe is gathered up in the likes of us tradition's promise. In this sacred space, we consent to the allurement of an unrehearsed future. from where the living Word woos each one of us toward our unique expression that is Spirit's dream.

JESUS' PRAYER on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Margaret Mayman

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We send you to the Rainbow Room to learn about the stories of our faith and to have fun together.

God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS

Anna Smith and Sandra Kirby

Epistle Colossians 3: 12-15

Gospel Luke 17: 11-19

Contemporary Reading

"Stones" by Joy Cowley from *Psalms Down Under*

Today I came to a shining beach covered with a litany of stones: gravel, pebbles, boulders, many colours,

each one like a word of praise and the whole, a triumphant song.

As I picked up stones at random, feeling their skin against mine, and absorbing the loveliness of them, I thought that I was a bit like that beach, with every stone a gesture of love from a person who'd cared about me at some time in my life.

From the moment of conception, when God spoke and I was, love has shaped my into being and the givers are still with me, contained within their gifts, people who've laid a litany of loving, stone by stone, word by word, touch by touch, showing me the truth of my existence.

For a long time I sat on that beach, adding to it's song, my own gratitude, and when I shut my eyes and tried to imagine what the beach would look like without all those shining stones, I understand in a new and deeper way, the meaning of my life as gift.

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.*

SONG

Words and music: Colin Gibson

Alleluia Aotearoa 114

Out of such sun and air what Christ may come, shining with new and lovely light on our dim and shrouded lives; stirring our sleepiness with dreams, visions of life beyond compare. Out of such sun and air come, Christ, however you will come.

Out of such cloud and mist what Christ may come, blurring the clear and simple lines of our settled scheme of things; calling on faith and hope and trust, daring to danger, trial and risk. Out of this cloud and mist come, Christ, however you will come.

Out of such sudden storm what Christ may come, sweeping across the startled sky of our calm and peaceful ways; driving with tempest winds of change, testing with tumult and reform. Out of this sudden storm come, Christ, however you will come.

REFLECTION Margaret Mayman

"The blessing of gratitude"

ST ANDREW'S SINGERS

Peace Song Dorothy Buchanan

For you my friend I have one wish, I wish that you will find The way to know and love your friend, Which comes from peace of mind.

No more of warring hate or doubt, No talk or thought of gain, Time now for sowing seeds of joy: La paix, la joie, l'amour.

Peace, shalom,
Pax, aroha,
La paix, la joie, l'amour
Peace to all who search for truth,
Peace and joy and love.

If we would buy with effort peace, The cost to us would be Our search for fortune, petty needs, We'd find tranquility.

To find your true self seek for peace With head and hand and mind,

With friends and lovers unite for peace, Peace and joy and love.

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Pax, aroha,
La paix, la joie, l'amour.
Peace to all who search for truth,
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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

Gracious and loving source of life, we offer these gifts and our lives in response to the blessings we received as followers of the Jesus way. Empower us with your Spirit to hear those who cry out for justice and compassion that we may respond with love and commitment. In your many names we pray, 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

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Paraguay and Uruguay and the Methodist Church in Uruguay. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name John Hayes and Phil Heatley, and the people of their electorates of Wairarapa and Whangarei. And today we pray for the leaders and people of Pitt Street Uniting Church in Sydney.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's 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 participate in the communion. This sacred meal is for all people.

Communion is served by intinction. Come to the front of the church and receive the bread, or a gluten-free cracker, taking a piece large enough to dip into the wine (silver cup) or grape juice (pottery cup). Eat the bread dipped in wine or juice.

If you don't wish to receive communion, you may remain in your seat or you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing (hold your hands clasped in front).

COMMUNION LITURGY

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HYMN

Every day I will offer you, loving God, my heart and mind, Every way I discover you in the work your hand has signed; Help me see I'm your image, and you have dreamed what I might be, every day in your spirit, I'll find the love and energy!

Words: Shirley Murray. Music: Colin Gibson *Alleluia Aotearoa 36*

Every day I will look to Christ, and give thanks for wine and bread Through the pain and the emptiness where your world cries to be fed; Help me see I can work for change, and wherever I might be, Every day in your Spirit, I'll find the love and energy!

Every day I will take your word, answer your compassion's claim, Celebrate every sign of hope, every deed done in your name; Help me see you are always there, and your light can shine through me, Every day in your spirit, I'll find the love and energy!

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

May the blessings of life be with us and with our faith community. May the memories we gather here give us hope for the future. May the love that we share bring strength and joy to our hearts and the peace of this community sustain us wherever we go from here. And the warm, passionate energy of God be with us always.

Thanks to Peter Franklin, Jane Keller, Vivien Chiu and the St Andrew's Singers for the music 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 to 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

Thanks to this week's volunteers					
Welcoming:			Henry Boidya, Duane McKibben		
Sound:			Frank Cook		
Offering:			James Cone, Joan Tyler		
Coffee/tea:			Jim & Maxine Cunningham		
Time with the Children:			Margaret Mayman		
Readings:			Anna Smith, Sandra Kirby		
Prayers of the People:			Lynne Dovey		
Musician:			Peter Franklin		
Communion:			Douglas Wood, Clare Brockett,		
			Sonia Petrie		
On duty Sunday 1 December					
Welcoming:			Pauline & David Patchett		
Sound:			Peter Cowley		
Offering:			Margaret Pannett, Lyn Burrell		
Coffee/tea:			Jennifer Bush-Daumec, Pam Fuller		
Time with the Children:			Cam Smart		
Readings:			Ellen Murray		
Prayers of the People:			Wendy Matthews		
Musician:			Peter Franklin		
This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's					
Sun 24 Nov	10 am	Sunda	lay gathering led by Margaret Mayman		
	11.30 am	Shared lunch and farewell to Margaret			
	2.30pm	Wellington Male Voice Choir concert			
		Entertainment Showcase			
Wed 27 Nov	9-2 pm	NZ Blood Service in the hall			
	12.15 pm	Lunchtime concert – <i>Duo Tapas.</i>			
		Owen Moriarty and Rupa Maitra			
Thur 28 Nov	9-2 pm	NZ Blood Service in the hall			

Sun 1 Dec	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Bronwyn White. Lloyd	
		Geering preaching.	
	11.30 am	Café brunch	

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.

Today is Margaret's last service as our minister. On Friday she flies to Australia to take up her new role as Minister of the Pitt St Uniting Church in Sydney. Following this service you are welcome to stay for lunch in the hall behind the church. We will be thanking Margaret for her contribution to St Andrew's and Wellington, and wishing her, Clare and Andrew all the best for their move to Sydney. All are warmly welcome!

SUNDAY ROSTERS

A folder with an outline of each duty is now to be kept on the back table.

FUNDRAISER CHRISTMAS BAKING, WELCOME CENTRE.

If you have ordered a Christmas cake, they can be picked up today at church or arrange with Maxine your own pick up. If you haven't ordered your cake yet, order forms are at the back of the church. Wendy Matthews matthusana@gmail.com will look after orders for cakes for the next two Sundays while Maxine is away. The next workshop morning tea date has changed to Thursday 12 December at 54 Connaught Tce. We will be packing up cakes and biscuits, so if you have baked some or are going to bake some for sale, please talk to either Maxine or Wendy about getting them to us before that date. The Farmers Market stall is in the Cathedral car park on Hill Street and our stall is on Saturday 14 December, so come along between 8.30 am and 12.30 pm.

ADVENT CONTEMPLATIONS "Star-struck sojourners"

Wednesday 4th, 11th and 18th December from 5.30 - 6pm at the back of the church.

WELLINGTON INTERFAITH CONCERT

Sunday 8 December, 6.00 pm at St Andrew's on The Terrace.

We encourage you to support the annual interfaith Season of Light celebration. Your welcoming presence as part of the hosting faith community demonstrates our inclusiveness and respect for other faith groups. Please bring a small supper contribution.

SOLIDARITY WITH WEST PAPUA

You are invited to join us on Monday, 2 December 2013 at 1pm, at parliament, Wellington to fly the Morning Star flag in solidarity with the people of West Papua

RSVP at https://www.facebook.com/events/1431492347073954
This year we are marking West Papua Independence Day in Wellington on
Monday, 2 December at 1pm at parliament - during the solidarity gathering there
will be an opportunity to write a personal message in support of justice, peace and
self-determination for West Papua.

Please help publicise this solidarity event by sharing the Facebook link https://www.facebook.com/events/1431492347073954 on your page and forwarding this message through your networks, thank you. For more information, please contact Peace Movement Aotearoa email pma@xtra.co.nz

Thank you to everyone who helped with the **Piano Plus** Fundraiser for Saving St Andrew's. You are amazing. - David

HOUSE SITTER AVAILABLE

Pauline Woolley is looking for a place to house sit whilst she is waiting for her new apartment to be ready. If you can help, please be in touch with Pauline or let David in the office know.

PHILIPPINES TYPHOON APPEAL

Super Typhoon Haiyan has flattened large areas of the Philippines. Many have escaped with their lives, but are hungry, thirsty and traumatised.



They need food, water, shelter, medical care and help cleaning up the debris. CWS partners have begun delivering vital supplies and assessing the situation. They need support now.

Donate NOW by donate by credit card: 0800 74 73 72 or

http://www.cws.org.nz/donate or make a deposit into the Christian World Service Account: ANZ 06 0817 0318646 00 Code: Philippines Particulars: Your name (for a receipt please email your name, address and details of the deposit).

Or take a form from the back table and send to: CWS PO Box 22652 Christchurch 8140

LOOKING AHEAD

Worship:

Sunday 1st December: 10-00am Lloyd Geering and Bronwyn White Sunday 8th December: 10-00am Service organised by Ellen Murray

Sunday 15th December: 10-00am Jim Cunningham

Sunday 22nd December: 10-00am Jim Cunningham & St Andrews Singers

A New Zealand Christmas.

Pastoral Care:

Jim Cunningham takes up his appointment as Supply Minister on Tuesday 10th December.

Between 24th November and 10th December please contact David in the Church Off ice if you need a minister.

He will have a list of those who are available. You can also contact either of the Pastoral Care Conveners:

Fiona McDougal phone: 021-1610926 or Colma Froggatt phone: 021-1341042

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 Representative	Sandra Kirby
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Monika Demuth-Barber
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley

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