

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

29th December 2013



The First Sunday After Christmas



Jean-Francois Millet (Jean Francois Millet)(1814-1875)

The flight into Egypt

Pencil on paper

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

It is God,
in the dawning, in the renewal,
in the arrival, in the new day.

Let us celebrate life in the presence we call God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Words © Shirley Murray; Music © Colin Gibson COC 7

Carol our Christmas, an upside down Christmas;
snow is not falling and trees are not bare.
Carol the summer, and welcome the Christ child,
warm in our sunshine and sweetness of air.

Sing of the gold and the green and the sparkle,
water and river and lure of the beach.
Sing in the happiness of open spaces,
sing a nativity summer can reach!

Shepherds and musterers move over hillsides,
finding, not angels, but sheep to be shorn;
wise ones make journeys whatever the season,
searching for signs of the truth to be born.

Right side up Christmas belongs to the universe,
made in the moment a woman gives birth;
hope is the Jesus gift, love is the offering,
everywhere, anywhere here on the earth.

OPENING RESPONSES

Empowering God, when the road ahead looms endless,
*empower us to be companions
for one another along the way.*

Inspiring God, when the road forward is blocked,
*inspire in us creative responses
that move us beyond the barriers.*

Enabling God, when the road before us divides,
*enable us to make good
and life-enhancing decisions.*

WELCOME

PRAYER

JESUS' PRAYER

on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Linda Wilkins

HYMN

Words: © Shirley Murray. Music: © Ian Render. WOV 158

Who is my mother?
Who is my brother?
All those who gather round Jesus Christ:
Spirit-blown people
born from the Gospel
sit at the table, round Jesus Christ.

Differently abled,
differently labelled
widen the circle round Jesus Christ,
crutches and stigmas,
cultures' enigmas
all come together round Jesus Christ.

Love will relate us –
colour or status
can't segregate us round Jesus Christ:
family failings,
human derailing,
all are accepted, round Jesus Christ.

Bound by one vision,
met for one mission
we claim each other, round Jesus Christ.
Here is my mother,
here is my brother,
kindred in Spirit, round Jesus Christ.

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS

Hebrew Bible:

Gospel

Jon Schrader

Isaiah 63: 7-9

Matthew 2: 13-23

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.

CONTEMPORARY REFLECTION

Frank Hanson

"Going into Egypt"

HYMN:

Words & Music © Jim Strathdee. WOV 669

*I am the light of the world.
You people come and follow me!
If you follow and love
you'll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.*

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and the shepherds
have found their way home,
the work of Christmas is begun:

to find the lonely and the lost,
to heal their broken souls with love,
to feed the hungry children
with warmth and good food,
to feel the earth below, the sky above;

to free the prisoners from their chains,
to make the powerful care,
to re-build the nations
with strength of good will,
to be at one with people everywhere;

to bring hope to every task you do,
to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in
an old person's heart,
and sing to the colours of the earth.

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.*

Please speak loudly and clearly so you can be heard.

OFFERING AND DEDICATION

***With joy and hope
we bring our life's experiences,
our energy, talents and resources,
as we stand ready to commence another New Year. 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

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

Words: Shirley Erena Murray. Music: Shona Murray. FFS 29

God speed us on our way,
safe keep us every day,
give us wing, cause to sing,
all this we wish and pray.

God give us space to thrive,
all senses kept alive,
health and hope, means to cope,
joyfully to arrive.

God lead us to the new,
places and point of view,
roads to take, friends to make,
more life to travel through.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

*May the love that gives to life its beauty,
the reverence that gives to life its sacredness,
and the purpose that gives to life its deep significance,
be strong within each of us as we travel on our way. Amen*

Thanks to Vivien Chiu, our pianist 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 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:	Graham Howell
Sound:	Sarah Jobson
Offering:	Joan Tyler
Coffee/tea:	Dawn Cowdry
Time with the Children:	Linda Wilkins
Readings:	Jon Schrader
Prayers of the People:	Graham Howell
Musician:	Vivien Chiu
On duty Sunday 5 January	
Welcoming:	Lyn and Brian Burrell
Sound:	Peter Cowley
Offering:	Jon Schrader
Coffee/tea:	
Time with the Children:	
Readings:	Annemarie Treadwell
Prayers of the People:	
Musician:	Vivien Chiu
SUNDAY ROSTERS A folder with an outline of each duty is now kept on the back table.	

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's		
Sun 29 Dec	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Frank Hanson
Sun 5 Jan	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham

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.

DCM CHRISTMAS FOODBANK APPEAL

Please remember families during the summer holidays when children are on school holidays. This is often a difficult period for parents.

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

Interim Minister	Jim Cunningham
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
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Sandra Kirby
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley

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