St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

9 February 2014



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



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 bathrooms 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 February 2014.

GATHERING

This is the place and this is the time; here and now God waits to break into our experience:

To change our minds, to change our lives, to change our ways;

To make us see the world and the whole of life in a new light;

To fill us with hope, joy, and certainty for the future.

This is the place, as are all places; this is the time, as are all times.

O God of this place, and every place, God of this time, and all time, here and now we praise you.

Words by Colin Gibson

In this familiar place know the mystery of your grace.

Refrain:

For the love that I receive, for the truth that I believe, I praise and thank you; for this here and now.

In halting song and word the music of your voice is heard

Refrain

Among these friends of mine I taste the company divine.

Refrain

Within this narrow sphere I learn that you are everywhere.

Refrain

OPENING PRAYER

God of heaven and earth, blessing your creation through life and growth and resurrection, we praise you for your love.

In love You direct our hearts that we might walk your path, seeking what is beautiful, good, and true.

Your voice speaks of righteousness to be found in all creation, brought into being in the relationships that are built of truth and compassion.

You lead to resources that enrich all life, and offer an invitation to sit, engage and share.

Forgive us, God of grace as we confess that our lives are not always easily shaped in response to you.

We place our needs before the needs of others, and can find it hard to ensure that all that Christ inspires is at the forefront of our being.

Clinging to possessions, we cannot imagine having less.
Lives are built around our own hopes and ambitions, and leave little space for offering Christ to others.

Silence

Everloving God, You offer each moment as an opportunity to start again. With forgiveness you give us courage to place our feet upon the path of Christ.

Amen

WELCOME

E te whānau o Te Karaiti Ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa *Kia ora.*

PRAYER

God you bring beauty and light and splendour into all of life. Your beauty cannot be hidden nor your glory diminished. Here in the beauty of this sanctuary we bring our praise for all the ways that you allow us to experience your beauty, to live in your light and rest in your splendour.

You do not hide yourself from us nor do you dazzle us with your beauty.

Instead, you invite us into relationship with you and you allow us to reflect all that you are so that others may be drawn to worship you.

Gathered here, ordinary people, may we take on your nature and be transformed so that we too can change the world.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

(A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Dawn Cowdry

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme to hear stories, ask questions and have fun together. *God bless you. Amen.*

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN

God Bless our land Hope is our Song # 37

God bless our land, in every generation, God bless our people growing as one nation, God bless our islands, home and whenua, Aotearoa, Aotearoa.

God bless our land in common cause and caring, each bringing treasures, baskets for the sharing, grieving the wrongs of history no more -- *Aotearoa, Aotearoa.*

God bless our land, its beauty and its blending into communities of warm befriending, proud in the cultures settled on our shore -- *Aotearoa, Aotearoa.*

God bless the child whose feet are firmly planted here in our place of freedoms daily granted, seedbed and soil for peace and aroha -- *Aotearoa, Aotearoa.*

WORD IN TEXTS Douglas Wood

Hebrew Scriptures: Deuteronomy 10:12-21

Gospel: Matthew 6:19-24

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

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.*

PRAYER

Lord, as we think on these things today, open our hearts and minds to you.

Amen.

SERMON Richard Davis

HYMN

WOV 455 Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art: Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tower, Raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou, and Thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Light of my soul, after victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Remain standing

Christ Jesus,
Child of Mary, God with us,
King and Suffering Servant,
High Priest and Lamb of God,
Teacher and Word,
living, suffering, dying and rising again,
you challenge, redeem and restore us.

Holy Spirit, Breath of life, Counsellor and Comforter, Fire of God, you inspire, sustain, and purify us.

Forming us in the nature of Christ, transforming us with your gifts, you bind us together in one body, your church. God of all creation, made known to us in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit, your boundless love exposes our rebellion and greed.

A mother who will not abandon her child, a father who welcomes the prodigal home, you forgive, accept and embrace us and call us into loving communion for ever. In life and death we belong to you, everlasting God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given to support the mission of the church through automatic payment.

Gracious Giver of all gifts, in this holy moment make us aware, not so much of what we have given as of all we have received and so have yet to share. Let your generosity so flow through us, that our lives will be gifts given freely and abundantly in joy and thanksgiving. Amen.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Afghanistan and all those working towards peace in Afghanistan. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Iain Lees-Galloway and Peseta Lotu-Iiga, and the people of their electorates of Palmerston North and Maungakiekie. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the Khandallah Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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HYMN WOV 200 STUTTGART

Words: Norman Brookes

When the word in all its glory, Is explained in many hues, There remains another story, Which is: what shall we now do?

When a text, lit up with passion, Touches issues of our day, Calls our living into question, Will we from it walk away?

That's the question that confronts us As we leave this place of prayer: Will we live the gospel message Showing Christ-like grace and care?

Help us then the service ended, Not to set your word aside, But responding to its challenge, Walk with Christ our daily guide.

So may we with faith and courage Live the gospel hour by hour, Bearing witness to its content, Spreading Christ's life giving power.

BLESSING

Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, feeding us with your word, and encouraging us in our meeting together.

Take us and use us to love and serve you, and all people, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Go in peace to be the light and salt of the world.

SUNG AMEN

RECESSIONAL

Thanks to Rosemary Collier, 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 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	S
Welcoming	Sandra & Tony Kirby
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Graham Howell, Sonia Petrie
Coffee/tea	Pam Fuller, Maxine Cunningham
Time with the Children	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Douglas Wood
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Musician	Rosemary Collier

On duty Sunday 16 February		
Brian & Lyn Burrell		
Frank Cook		
Paul Satherley, Ross Young		
Janet Horncy, Ann Barrie		
Time with the Adults		
Anna Smith		
Norman Wilkins		
Bruce Corkill		

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 9 Feb	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Richard Davis	
	11.30 am	Congregational Conversation	
Tue 11 Feb	7.30 pm	Parish Council	
Wed 12 Feb	12.15 pm	Wednesday lunchtime concert Solo Organ Recital	
		by Jonathan Berkahn	
Sun 16 Feb	10 am	Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham	
	11.30 am	Social Justice	

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.

THE HOLY LAND AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Thursday 13 February, 7.30 - 9.00 pm at St Joseph's Church Mount Victoria. "The Holy Land and Religious Freedom" Keynote speaker, Brother Peter Bray, Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University in the Palestinian Occupied Territories. See poster on noticeboard.

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

5 February 2014

The Crown has unexpectedly dropped its court action against Waihopai ploughshares and is no longer suing them for \$1.2 million damages, the alleged cost of their disarmament action at the Waihopai spy base. This development comes in response to Waihopai Ploughshares' application for leave to appeal against the October 2013 Court of Appeal decision. It means that the Crown will no longer be able to pursue Waihopai Ploughshares for any of the \$1.2 million sought, but also that Waihopai Ploughshares' arguments against the decision will not be heard by the Supreme Court.

For more information, please visit https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa or read the notice on the noticeboard.

LOOKING FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

David Galt of St John's - St Andrew's and St John's have been collaborating on a CWS fund-raising venture entitled "Water for Palestine" Our initial attempt fell through so now we are trying to get this music-athon off the ground. Everything is still DRAFT at this stage until our meeting next Tuesday.

What we're doing and how you can help...

We will be playing continuous music over a 24 hour period in St John's Church, of a wide variety of types – classical, jazz, rock, folk, Christian and secular, amateur and professional, children and adults. The common ingredients are commitment, passion and enthusiasm!

The music will be programmed so that you will know when the class acts are performing and when those you know and love are on stage. There will be some great listening and you can listen for free.

The money will be raised in three ways:

- Sponsorship by the hour of the whole 24 hour event
- Sponsorship of individual performers by the minutes they perform
- If and only if you love what you're hearing, then you can contribute

Performing...

We are looking for performers to sign up now!

You don't have to be a professional, but you do need to be willing to have others listen to you perform.

Support...

We need a good support crew for the door, managing the funds raised, and supporting the performers with tea and coffee.

Audience...

We need people to diary 7 and 8 June to be part of the audience for what will be a great concert one of the truly memorable moments of the year.

DCM FOODBANK

DCM writes "Around about this time last year, after Christmas and before the May Foodbank Appeal, our shelves experienced a significant shortfall in food items, and it seems this year is no different.

We are down to 'critically low' on the following items: Instant noodles, Meals/tinned stews, Muesli bars, Fruit salad, pears, pineapple, Rolled oats, Muesli, Spreads such as honey, marmite/vegemite

We have approx. 1 week's left of the following: Pasta/curry sauces, Biscuits/crackers, Sardines, Tuna, Salmon

We still have bulk stocks of items such as baked beans, pasta and rice."

MARSDEN CROSS BICENTENNIAL - INVITATION FOR DONATIONS

Below is a message from Richard Randerson of the Marsden Cross Trust Board:

It will be 200 years this year since the CMS missionary, Samuel Marsden, came to Oihi as a guest of Ruatara, the local chief at Rangihoua Pa, adjacent to Oihi.

By Easter an inspiring Welcome Centre will have been completed at the road-end from Kerikeri. The Centre leads on to a Pilgrimage Pathway which will see ten way stations erected along the track down to the Cross. The way-stations tell the story in word and pictures of the coming of Marsden with Ruatara, the preaching of that first sermon at Christmas 1814, and how the Gospel took root in this land in a context of a strong bicultural partnership.

The Centre and Way-stations will be opened around Easter, well in time for the Bicentennial Commemorations at Christmas 2014.

I have been a member of the ecumenical Marsden Cross Trust Board since its inception in 2003. I undertook to raise \$300,000 as the residual cost of the 20 hectares purchased by the Board in 2005. To date \$240,000 is in view, largely by denominational contributions. I need by 31 March to raise the remaining \$60,000.

Gifts of \$100, \$250 or \$500 will help us on the way; some have generously chipped in \$1000. Any amount will be greatly appreciated, and gifts are tax deductible.

With warm personal regards, thanks and best wishes

Richard Randerson, Marsden Cross Trust Board

DONATION DETAILS: Donations may be made by electronic transfer to The Marsden Cross Trust Board. Bank a/c 010236 0037328 02 Please put your surname in the first reference box, and MC Land in the second. In an email to mctb@xtra.co.nz please include details of your name and address, and parish if you belong to one, so that a receipt might be sent.

OR you may send a cheque to the Marsden Cross Trust Board, PO Box 37 944, Parnell, Auckland 1151, with the same details as above. Thank you very much.

Notes . Comments .. Thoughts

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	
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