

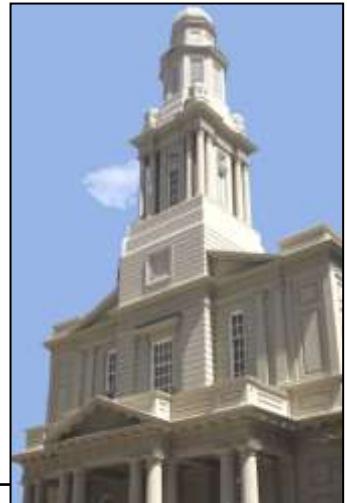
St Andrew's on The Terrace

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A BALANCED LIFE

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.

GATHERING

We come to re-weave the unravelling fabric of community;
to reconnect once more to the larger human family;
to find once more that place of calm;
to remind ourselves that we belong;
and to remember what it is that we belong to.

Let us celebrate life in the presence we name God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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(Admin. by Willow Publishing Pty. Ltd.) Words: J.Bell & G.Maule; Music WOV 68 Praise, my soul
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Praise with joy the world's Creator,
God of justice, love and peace,
Source and end of human knowledge,
Force of greatness without cease.
Celebrate the Maker's glory –
Power to rescue and release.

Praise the Son, who feeds the hungry,
Frees the captive, finds the lost,
Heals the sick, upsets religion,
Fearless both of fate and cost.
Celebrate Christ's constant presence –
Friend and Stranger, Guest and Host.

Praise the Spirit sent among us,
Liberating truth from pride,
Forging bonds where race or gender,
Age or nation dare divide.
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure –
Foolishness none dare deride.

Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit,
One God in community,
Calling Christians to embody
Oneness in diversity.
Thus the world shall yet believe, when
shown Christ's vibrant unity.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Life is a journey, on many different roads.

*We have come here today
from east and west
and north and south
each of us bringing that which is God within us.*

We arrive at this place and time
our paths merging.

*We meet as the family of God.
As we move forward in faith,
exploration brings new insights
and we must face changes and choices.*

*We need courage for the journey
and vision to discover, dream and grow.
The Spirit of God is moving among us.*

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tatou.

PRAYER

O God, you are the gathering one
who calls us into community with each other;
to love and work, support and heal.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with all people;
to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with the whole creation;
to live in harmony, to cherish and renew.

We worship you, the God who makes us one.
For our community gathered here,
for the spirit that called us together and drew us to this place:

We give thanks.

For moments we have shared with others;
for times we have reached out across barriers of distance and fear;
for times when others have reached out to us:

We give thanks.

For our weaving together out of many separate selves
this hour of celebration and reflection;
this community of faith and hope:

We give thanks this day. Amen.

JESUS PRAYER

on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Jenny Simpson

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We bless you as you go to the Rainbow Room to hear stories, make things and talk about God together.

Amen

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS

Janet Horncy

Hebrew Scripture

Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

The Great Commandment

New Testament

Ephesians 3: 14-21

Prayer for the community at Ephesus

Revelation

Revelation 21: 1-4, 15-16

The New Jerusalem

Contemporary Reading

Samuel Parnell

Fighting for the eight hour working day

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.

HYMN

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Music: Woodland WOV 109

We sing a love that sets all people free,
That blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame,
Enfolds like earth, springs up like water clear.
Come, living love, live in our hearts to day.

We sing a song that seeks another's good,
That longs to serve and not to count the cost,
A love that, yielding, finds itself made new.
Come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid
To be itself, despite another's wrath,
A love that stands alone and undismayed.
Come, strength'ning love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love that, wand'ring, will not rest
Until it finds its way, its home, its source,
Through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed.
Come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a burning, fiery, Spirit free
That seeks out shades of ancient bitterness,
Trans fig'ring these, as Christ in ev'ry heart.
Come, joyful love, live in our hearts today.

REFLECTION

Jim Cunningham

Balancing our Lives!

HYMN

Words : Colin Gibson; Music: WOV 478 Cwm Rhondda

Past and present, with our dreaming,
Join to make us what we are;
ancient wisdom, ancient follies
shape the way we love and care:
Give us reverence,
Give us wisdom,
From the past for life today.

Make us mindful of each moment –
ev'ry force, each strength, each flaw;
free us from those empty longings
which consume us more and more:
Give us vision,
Give us courage,
For this present age of change.

We must face the future's challenge
to create a better earth
hand in hand with all who labour
dream and suffer for its birth,
For through sharing
And through caring
We shall build community.

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

Faithful God, you ask us to be faithful people.

In this community, you ask us to be people of justice.

In this community, you ask us to be people of mercy.

In this community, you ask us to be people of peace.

Be with us as we try to be faithful

in large ways and in small ways

so your eternal community may come in every way.

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

Mike Wespel-Rose

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Democratic Republic of Congo, and the Presbyterian Community of the Democratic Republic of Congo. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Darroch Ball and Mahesh Bindra, List MPs. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the Hutt City Uniting Congregations.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

CALL TO SERVICE (*standing*)

Spirit of God, brooding over the waters of our chaos,
inspire us to generous living.

Wind of God, dancing over the desert of our reluctance,
lead us to the oasis of celebration.

Breath of God, inspiring communication among strangers,
make us channels of your peace.

HYMN

Words: Shirley Erena Murray: Music: Shona Murray

Faith forever singing 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 sense kept alive,
health and hope, means to cope, joyfully to arrive.

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

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

Thanks to Sharmala David, 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 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>



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

On duty This Sunday *thank you*

Welcoming	Norman & Linda Wilkins
Sound	Peter Cowley
Time with the Children	Jenny Simpson
Reader	Janet Horncy
Offering	Graham Howell, Cameron Smart
Prayers of the People	Mike Wespel-Rose
Morning Tea	Frank & Sue Cook, James Cone
Rainbow Room Assistant	
Musician	Sharmala David

On duty next Sunday 2 November

Welcoming	Brian & Lynette Burrell
Sound	Sarah Jobson
Time with the Children	Colma Froggatt
Reader	Frances Porter
Offering	Margaret Pannett, James Cone
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Morning Tea	Tony & Sandra Kirby, Graham Howell
Rainbow Room Assistant	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Communion	Henry Boidya, Sonia Groes-Petrie, Fiona McDougal
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 26 October 10am Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham

Monday 27 October Labour Day. The office will be closed

Tuesday 28 October 7.30pm Annual NZSM Woodwind Showcase concert

Wednesday 29 October 12.15pm Lunchtime concert *Simeon Broom and Rachel Church / Music for violin and piano*

Sunday 2 November 10am Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham

11.30am Café brunch

2.30pm Wellington Male Voice Choir concert

ST ANDREW'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SAVE THE DATE | 16 NOV

11:30AM

Our AGM this year will be held after morning tea on Sunday 16 November. It is a time to reflect and celebrate what we have achieved together over the past year as a community and to look forward to the year ahead.

It is also the time when we elect new members to the Parish Council. With Paul, Fiona, Ross and Sonia finishing on Parish Council this year we are looking for some new people to join us.

Parish Council is an excellent way to get involved with the many different areas that make up our life together (worship, community and place, theological education, faith in action, spirit and the arts and care of our resources)

and it is a rewarding way to use your skills to serve our community. If you are interested have a chat to any current Parish Council members and fill in the nomination form (there are copies at the back of the church).

DCM FOODBANK PRE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

HELPERS NEEDED FOR DCM FOODBANK pre-Christmas collection at Newtown New World, Sat Nov 15 between 1pm and 5pm. Can you spare an hour? Let Kath know ph 475-8064.

LINDA AND NORMAN WILKINS ARE VOLUNTEERING WITH REFUGEE

SERVICES to look after another refugee family. *"The only details we have at the moment are that the family will arrive on 28 November. They will be settled in a Housing New Zealand house somewhere in the Hutt Valley. Some of you will remember we have asked previously for household items and you have been really generous, so here we go again. In the next few weeks if you are having a tidy up we would welcome donations of bedding, towels, kitchen equipment or china and cutlery. Our government now supplies each family with the basic heavy furniture, thank goodness, we just have to make the place homely! if you need us to come and collect please ask, our contact details, 25 Bay St, Petone, phone 9701010. Thank you so much."*

REMEMBER THE PEACEMAKERS

Thistle Hall

Calling all artists, historians, performers and activists. Do you want to present an alternative point of view to the mainstream WW100 Centenary Programme? Expressions of interest are being sought from groups and individuals who would like to use Thistle Hall in April 2015 to share their work and encourage wider community involvement. To find out more or make a proposal, contact Treason Sedition by 1 November 2014 at office@thistlehall.org.nz or on 04-3843088

www.thistlehall.org.nz/projects/ww100.html

PROF LLOYD GEERING BOOK LAUNCH | 7 NOVEMBER 6.45PM

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Please note: The price of \$20 on the flyer is US dollars. The NZ price is likely to be \$25

Reimagining God

The Faith Journey of a Modern Heretic

Lloyd Geering

Described by the BBC as "the last living heretic," Lloyd Geering has spent much of his life wrestling with God. Of late, however, he finds himself struggling with the absence of God. The rise of nonreligious, secular culture around the world testifies that he is not alone, that the concept of God has become problematical.

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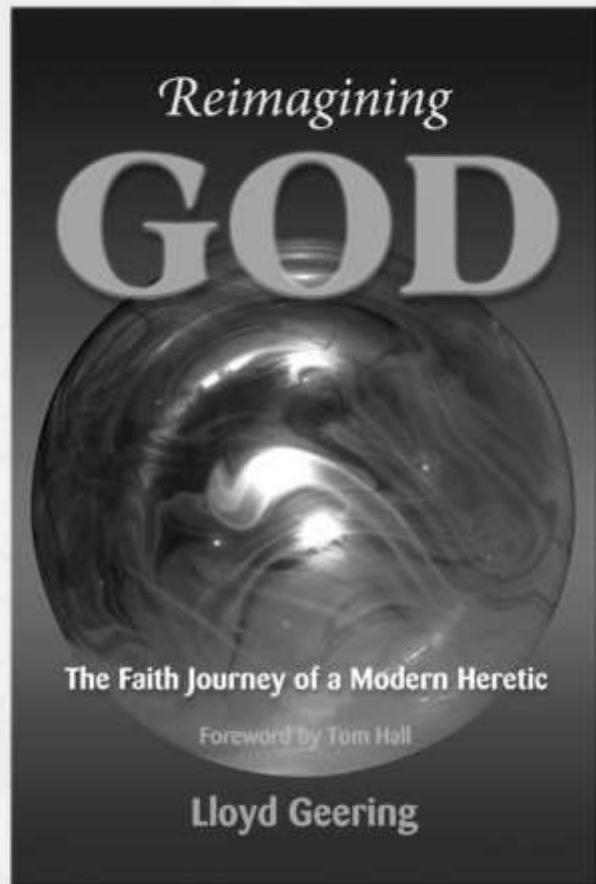
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Sir Lloyd Geering is a Minister Emeritus of the Presbyterian Church, Emeritus Professor of Victoria University of Wellington where he established the Department of Religious Studies, and former Principal of Knox Theological College in Dunedin. A three time honoree of the NZ government, Geering is the author of many books including *From the Big Bang to God: Our Awe-Inspiring Journey of Evolution* (2013), winner of the prestigious Ashton Wylie Charitable Trust book award, August 2014.



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Notes – questions – thoughts

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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
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Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Saving St Andrew's Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Pastoral Convenors	Colma Foggatt, Fiona McDougal
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Sandra Kirby
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Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
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