

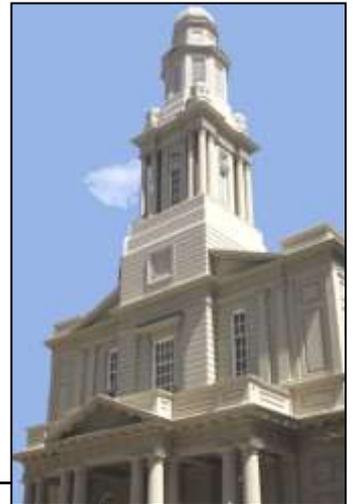
St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

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ORDER OF SERVICE

7th December 2014



RAINBOW ROOM CHRISTMAS SERVICE



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

Loving God, we gather together in hope, longing to experience your peace this advent.

As we listen to your word, may we experience the peace that comes from knowing you.

As we seek to follow your way, may we experience the peace that comes from feeling your justice come to life in our midst.

Immanuel, your presence sustains us.

Help us to participate with you in the creation of peace.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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Star-Child, earth-Child go-between of God,
love Child, Christ Child, heaven's lightning rod,
This year, this year, let the day arrive,
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

Street child, beat child no place left to go,
hurt child, used child, no one wants to know,
This year, this year, let the day arrive,
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

Grown child, old child, mem'ry full of years,
sad child, lost child, story told in tears,
This year, this year, let the day arrive,
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

Spared child, spoiled child, having, wanting more,
wise child, faith child knowing joy in store,
This year, this year, let the day arrive,
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

Hope-for-peace Child, God's stupendous sign
down-to-earth Child, star of stars that shine,
*This year, this year, let the day arrive,
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!*

WAITING - Advent response - Wild goose

WELCOME

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

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

Meet a CWS Partner: Supporting Workers in Sri Lanka.

In Sri Lanka, the long gruelling hours are a shock to new arrivals to the country's Free Trade Zone factories. Now many are Tamils coming from the north where their families are destitute five years after the civil war ended. When factory owners and landlords exploit them, it is the Women's Centre that pushes for better treatment. It also offers a safe place to come for health and employment advice, computer access and a library. Their acclaimed theatre group promotes worker rights and campaigns against violence. Fostering friendship and understanding between people of different ethnic groups, is important peace-making work in a country where tensions remain high.

Reading: Righteousness and peace mark the road on the Advent Journey. They help us to see beyond what is at hand and look ahead in hope. John the Baptist proclaims a message that looks forward to a place and a time when life will be better – for us and all people. We make the way by walking.
“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his path straight.” Mark 1:3

Lighting the Candles:

Last Sunday we lit the **Candle of Hope**
Today we light the **Candle of Peace**

the candle is lit

We say together:

*We add to the construction of light,
To the new thing God is doing in the world
And we honour the One
Whose light was glimpsed by prophets.
The true light,
Who draws us to brightness of his rising.*

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

PASSING THE PEACE

SONG

Pukeko in a Ponga tree - (12 increasing verses)

On the first day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
A pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the second day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the third day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the fourth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the fifth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs

Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the sixth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the seventh day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the eighth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Eight plants of puha
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the ninth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Nine sacks of pipis
Eight plants of puha
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !

Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the tenth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Ten juicy fish heads
Nine sacks of pipis
Eight plants of puha
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the eleventh day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Eleven haka lessons
Ten juicy fish heads
Nine sacks of pipis
Eight plants of puha
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling
Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

On the twelfth day of Christmas
My true love gave to me
Twelve piupius swinging
Eleven haka lessons
Ten juicy fish heads
Nine sacks of pipis
Eight plants of puha
Seven eels a swimming
Six pois a twirling

Five - big - fat - pigs !
Four huhu grubs
Three flax kits
Two kumara
And a pukeko in a ponga tree!

DRAMATISED STORY - THE THREE WISE WOMEN

COMMUNION

Jesus, you are our story, God's message of good news

We sense God's presence in creation, in the immensity of our universe, and in our consciousness of something far greater than ourselves. Thankyou for revealing to us how all of our lives are interconnected

Jesus, you are our story, God's message of Peace

Jesus experienced and offered love and showed us love's connectedness with God.
Your compassion leads us to care for those less fortunate than ourselves

Jesus, you are our story, God's message of Love

We rejoice in the birth of Jesus. In him we see the fullness of possibility to make God visible in our lives.
You are life; encouraging us with growth and empowerment

Jesus, you are our story, God's message of Joy

We celebrate God-with-us, beyond our words, beyond our images, for we know God is beyond those things.
You are with all humanity, through good and bad, normal and difficult

Jesus, you are our story, God's message of Hope

HYMN

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Christ of darkness, Christ of light,
burning undiminished, bright;
high above, a million stars
shine down on this king of night.

*Christ to whom the angels sang,
Christ for whom the heavens rang,
truth and peace and love you bring,
and yours the song we too would sing.*

Christ of poverty and need,
thrust aside by human greed,
dare we leave you in a stall,
O Son of God who made us all

Christ to whom the angels sang.....

Christ for whom a mother lay
in the shadows, on the hay,
all creation comes to birth
in this travail here on earth

Christ to whom the angels sang.....

WORD IN TEXTS

Bronwyn White

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Mark 1:1-8 (The Message)

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.

REFLECTION

LORD'S PRAYER IN MAORI

Sung in Maori

E to matou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tou Ingoa.

Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.

Kia meatia tau e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.

Homai ki a matou aiane
he taro ma matou mo tenei ra.

Translation—not to be sung:

Our Parent in the spirit world
Sacred is your Name
Bring us your Chiefly rule;
May it happen in the way
that is to you good;
may it happen on earth
in the same way as in spirit world.
Give us now
the food we need this day.
Strip us of our sins;
Give us back what we have lost;

Murua o matou hara,
Me matou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia
whakawaia;

Engari whakaorangia matou i te kino:
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga,
te kaha, me te kororia,
Ake ake ake. Amine

so that we, the slaves of sin,
may be with you again.
Do not lead us into temptation;
May we be whole, away from things evil;
Through your chiefly position,
is the power
and the glory.
Forever and ever
Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Wendy Matthews

PRAYER ACTIVITY – Write on the strip of paper your prayer of thanks for how peace has been present in our society and world.

Place it in the crib as part of the cloths that the Prince of Peace was wrapped in to care for him in the stable.

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*We bring our openness to be surprised by life,
We bring our offerings, to share in the work
of opening up the world for justice,
We bring ourselves.
Amen.*

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

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.*

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

COC 52 Words: Mark Wilson. Arranged: Shona Murray. Descant: Colin Gibson

You are born in us again.
Like the warmth of the summer wind you come,
to melt away the icicles of vanity and pride;
you come to blow the very doors of loving open wide.
Like the warmth of the summer wind you come,
like the warmth of the summer wind you come.

You are born in us again.
Like the scent of the summer rain you come.
You come to quench the thirsty and to freshen up the land;
you come to clean away the dust that's settled in our hand.
Like the scent of the summer rain you come,
like the scent of the summer rain you come.

You are born in us again.
Like the light of the summer sun you come,
to give light to the places that have never seen the Son;
you come now to embrace us, you're the holy, holy one.
Like the light of the summer sun you come,
like the light of the summer sun you come.

BLESSING

One star night - Anne Weems

Into an extremely dark and bitterly cold December came a one star night.
Those who had compassion found room and were filled with wonder at the brightness of the star above them.
Those who saw fell to their knees in fear, but listened to the angel's song and ran to see.
Those who heard the baby's cry believed, and fell to their knees, this time in worship.
Those who followed the star already believed, and knew the time was now.
They persisted in their journey through the dark and cold, bringing gifts to this One born to us all in a one star night.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

March from the film "A Bridge Too Far"

Composed by John Addison

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 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 <i>thank you</i>	
Welcoming	Frank & Sue Cook
Sound	Paul Satherley
Reader	Bronwyn White
Offering	Paul Barber, Jon Schrader
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Morning Tea	Henry Boidya, Kath Kerr, Wendy Matthews
Communion	Paul Barber, Heather Macfarlane, Sandra Kirby
Musician	Peter Franklin
On duty next Sunday 14 December	
Welcoming	Norman & Linda Wilkins
Sound	Peter Cowley
Reader	Annemarie Treadwell
Offering	Henry Boidya, Margaret Pannett
Prayers of the People	Mike Wespel-Rose
Morning Tea	Maxine Cunningham, Sonia Groes-Petrie, Graham Howell
Rainbow Room Assistant	
Musician	Bruce Corkill

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 7 December 10am Sunday gathering led by Chris Carey-Smith and the Rainbow Room children

11.30am Congregational Brunch

Sunday 7 December 2.30pm Wellington Chamber Orchestra concert

Tuesday 9 December 12.15pm SATRS Lecture *Samuel Marsden: Our Earliest 'Religion and Society'* The Rt Rev Richard Randerson

Tuesday 9 December Parish Council

Wednesday 10 December 12.15pm Lunchtime concert has been cancelled

Wednesday 10 December 6pm Advent Contemplation

Sunday 14 November 10am Sunday gathering led by visiting preacher

CHOICES - SATRS EVENT

Tuesday 9 December 12.15pm at St Andrew's

Samuel Marsden *Our Earliest 'Religion and Society'* with The Rt Rev Richard Randerson in conversation with Noel Cheer. They will discuss the event of Christmas Day 1814 in which Bishop Samuel Marsden preached to Maori in Northland. He wrote in his journal *'it being Christmas Day, I preached from the second chapter of St. Luke's Gospel and tenth verse: 'Behold! I bring you glad tidings of great joy'.*

ADVENT CONTEMPLATIONS | WEDNESDAYS 10TH & 17TH DECEMBER 6PM

These are being held in the church.

CHRISTMAS CAKES

Maxine writes *"We are not planning a cake stall to fund raise this year, but if people would like to buy a cake (3 different sizes, also gluten free available) for a gift or for their own Christmas goodies, there are order forms at the back of the Church. Any Cake Bakers or ingredient donators, please talk with Maxine."*

RUBBISH NEEDED A RIDE TO THE DUMP

We have some items that are looking at moving house to the landfill, and are needing a ride to get there as it is too far to walk. Is anyone available and willing who has a trailer and able to take them?

We can help load it.

If you can help, please contact David in the office.

**BOOK LAUNCH *CREATING WELCOMING CHURCHES* | WEDNESDAY 10
DEC 6.30PM** - a disability resource for faith communities.

You are invited to the Wellington book launch of

Creating Welcoming Churches

a disability resource for faith communities

information | attitude | action

Where: St Marks Church, 58 Woburn Rd, Lower Hutt

When: Wednesday December 10th

Commence time: 6.30pm



A short celebration service will be followed by shared refreshments. Copies of the book will be available for \$10 each. Payment is by cash or cheque. For enquiries and RSVP (by Dec 3rd) ph Pamela Cook 938 6678 or email pamcook@paradise.net.nz

Creating Welcoming Churches was produced by the Disability, Spirituality and Faith Network Aotearoa New Zealand and funded by the Joint Special Project Fund of the Association of Presbyterian Women and Methodist Women's Fellowship.

FREE THEOLOGY BOOKS

Rev Chris Nichol has downsized his life and has a number of theology books (including ones from his late father Frank Nichol – former Principal of Knox College) available to go to good homes.

The books are being held by Allister Lane at St John's in the City. To view these books please contact Allister at a.lane@stjohnsinthecity.org.nz or 385 1546.

First come, first served!

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS DRAMA CHRISTI, 75 Taranaki St, Wellington

Five short plays on missing the point of Christmas. Thursday 11 Dec 7.30pm, Friday 12 Dec 7.30pm, Saturday 13 Dec 4pm, Sunday 14 Dec 4pm.

Entry by koha. All proceeds to Christian World Service.

Bookings ph 380-0019. www.facebook.com/DramaChristi

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL EVENT

WRITE FOR RIGHTS | SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER 10-2PM

We are hoping to have a letter writing session for Write for Rights. Please check out the AI events page for confirmation or contact me but the details are likely to be

<http://www.amnesty.org.nz/category/event-region/wellington-and-manawatu>

Clark's cafe, Wellington City Library

ACT NOW: 'ANZAC' FORCE TO IRAQ

NZ and Australian governments are currently discussing "forming a joint force to serve in Iraq". For further information, please follow this link.

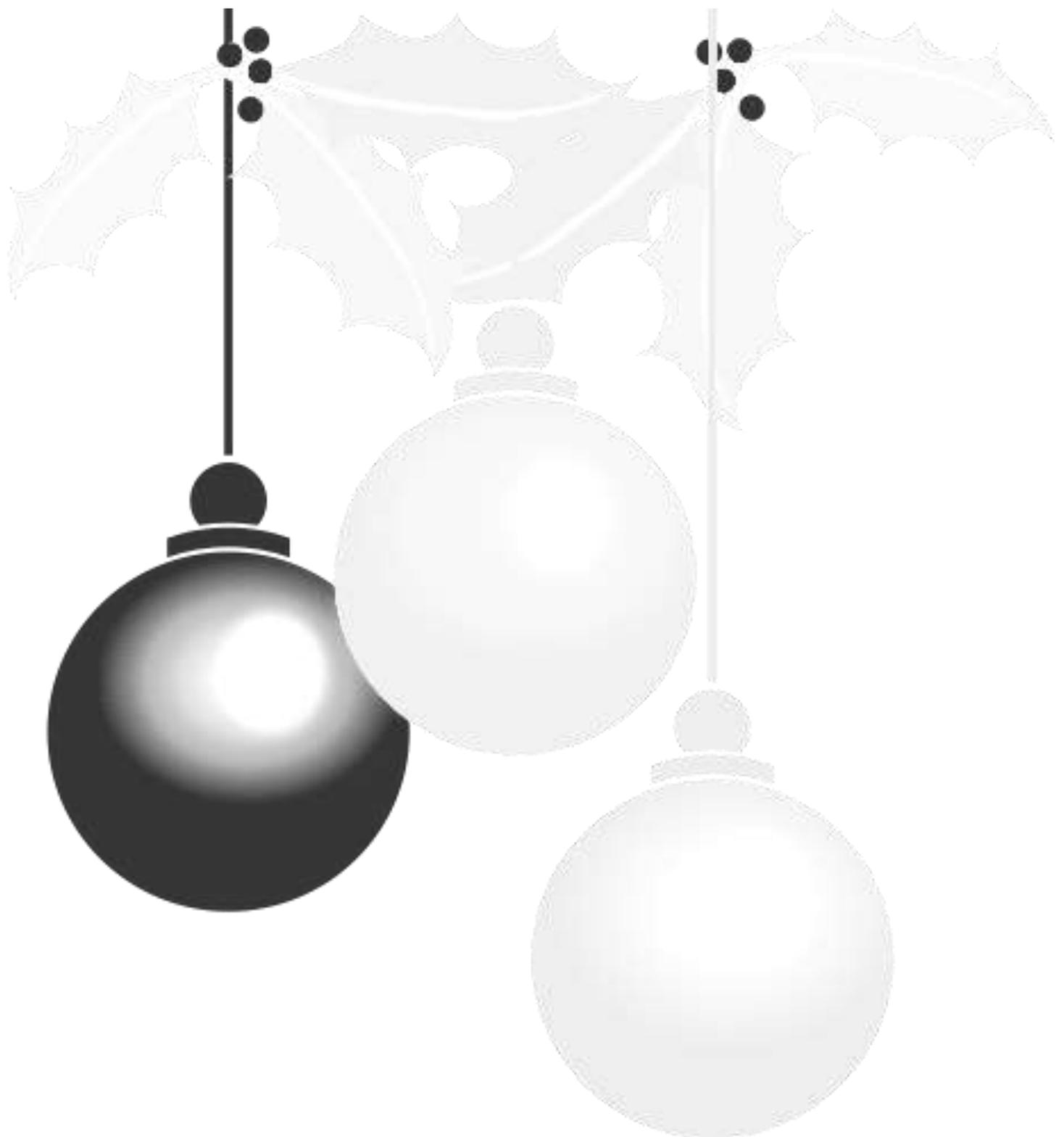
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<https://www.facebook.com/notes/peace-movement-aotearoa/act-now-anzac-force-to-iraq/775854885795216>

NOTICES ON THE BACK TABLE

Please check out the back table for new notices and events. The Latest edition of *Touchstone* is now available.

Notes - ***C***omments - ***Q***uestions- ***T***houghts



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	To be advised
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	Heather Macfarlane
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Sunday Roster Coordinator	Henry Boidya

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