

# St Andrew's on The Terrace

*Hato Anaru o Te Parehua*

Founded 1840

## ORDER OF SERVICE

1<sup>st</sup> February 2015

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### FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



**Reaching for our freedom**

## 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

From the corners of this city  
from the confusion of life  
from the loneliness of our hearts

***Gather us, O God.***

To feed our minds  
to fire our imagination  
to free our hearts

***Gather us, O God***

Kate McIlhagga

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*God of every new beginning*

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God of every new beginning,  
each rekindling, all fresh starts,  
reawakening joy and wonder,  
rousing nerve in fearful hearts:  
shepherd us through doubts and shadows;  
with new promise prod and brace;  
show us how our past connects us  
to your future full of grace.

God the Spirit, life-bestower,  
singing wind and dancing fire,  
fount of faith's imagination,  
hope's endurance, love's desire:  
come, renew your gifts among us,  
let them form our minds and wills;  
fire us with the truth that frees us;  
breathe again the peace that stills.

God incarnate, dwelling with us,  
Word made flesh by human birth,  
Love embodied in our story  
Suffering Servant here on earth;  
teach us how our life together  
forms a witness to your care;  
through this holy mystery may we  
firmly trust and greatly dare.

## **WE WELCOME**

Kia ora tatou.

*Kia ora.*

## **PRAYER**

We gather together the strands of our hectic lives  
And offer each other, this day, a breathing space.

*We come in faith.*

We venture out of our isolation,  
Our safe solitariness  
To share this morning in each other's lives.

*We come in faith.*

We bring our unfinished selves  
our fearful humanness  
our fragile hearts  
gifting each other our trust

*We come in faith.*

We come for many reasons- some we don't understand  
We come from habit, from instinct, from choice, curiosity  
We come to celebrate, give thanks  
To share community

*We come in faith.*

We come in our 21st century lives  
To retell stories from the past  
To glean the meaning from Jesus' life  
To be the Christ- the "god-bearers"- of our day

*We come in faith.*

In action, not belief  
in affirmation, not creed  
in trust, not certainty

to know that we are loved  
to live fully and fearlessly  
to learn- together- to be all that we can be  
***We come in faith.***

Bronwyn Angela White

**LORD'S PRAYER** (*Prayer to the Eternal Spirit by Jim Cotter*)

(on card)

**LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**Cam Smart**

**BLESSING THE CHILDREN**

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme  
to hear stories, be creative and celebrate freedom.  
***God bless you. Amen.***

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**WORD IN TEXTS**

**Heather Macfarlane**

**New Testament**

Galatians 5:1-6

**Contemporary Reading**

Nelson Mandela "Freedom"

**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.***

**HYMN**

***Travelling the road to freedom***

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Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?  
Feted by noise and branches  
And banners hanging from every tree;

Cheered on by frenzied people,  
Puzzled by what they hear and see:  
Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?

Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?  
Partnered by staunch supporters  
Who, come the dark, will turn and flee;  
Nourished by faith and patience,  
Neither of which is plain to see,  
Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?

Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?  
Tipping the scales of justice,  
Setting both minds and captives free;  
Suffering and yet forgiving,  
Ev'n when my friends most disagree:  
Travelling the road to freedom,  
Who wants to travel the road with me?

Travelling the road to freedom,  
I am the Way, I'll take you there.  
Choose to come on the journey,  
Or choose to criticise or stare.  
Earth's mesmerizing evil  
Only a traveller can repair.  
Travelling the road to freedom,  
I am the Way, I'll take you there.

## **PRAYER**

We pray  
conscious that  
raising our hearts and minds  
is a gift of the Spirit of Life  
at work  
in the depths of our being.

*For the presence of that Spirit in us, we give thanks.*

We pray  
conscious that  
our prayer  
gives the Spirit  
a way of breaking into word and song  
unique in all the universe.

***For the words and songs within each of us, we give thanks.***

We pray  
believing  
we are bearers of a treasure,  
the Spirit of Life  
blessing us with a variety of gifts.

***For the treasures we each bear, we give thanks.***

We pray  
mindful of men and women  
throughout human history  
who allowed the Spirit of Life  
to work in them  
for the betterment  
of our world and humanity.

***For their lives and their inspiration, we give thanks.***

We pray  
remembering Jesus  
who so allowed the Spirit of Life  
to move in his life  
that in him we have seen  
the perfect expression  
of the Spirit in human form.

***For Jesus and all he means to us, we give thanks.***

We pray  
challenged by Jesus  
to allow his life  
to be a mirror for us

***so that we might live life in all its fullness.***

We pray,  
mindful  
of all that has brought us together,  
of the Spirit at work in our lives  
and of what may be possible  
if we allow the Spirit  
to work freely in each of us.

We pray,  
*inviting*  
*the Spirit of Life, Love, and Goodness*  
*to move freely in our words and actions.*

Michael Morwood

## REFLECTION

**Fiona McDougal**

### Reaching for our freedom

## HYMN

*Companions, let us pray together*

Music: David Hamilton Words David Clark and Witi Ihimaera (HIOS 21)

Companions, let us pray together  
in this place affirm our faith.  
Our God who made us is here among us:  
we stand together in God's grace.

We are whanau, we are one,  
Brothers, sisters of the son,  
We are reaching for our freedom,  
The prize that Christ has won.

The broken Christ stands here among us,  
shares our suffering and our pain:  
in breaking bread we find empowerment  
to live in aroha again.

Chorus

The risen Christ brings light and laughter,  
celebrates the life we share:  
the poured out wine of Christ's self-giving  
inspires us to reach out and care.

Chorus

Now let us sing to God who loves us  
and accepts us as we are;  
go out from here and live that message,  
proclaim our oneness near and far.

Chorus

## **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**

***Freely we have received, freely we give  
of our resources, our talents and 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.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Graham Howell**

## **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Czech Republic and the Ecumenical Council of Churches in the Czech Republic. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name David Carter and David Clendon, List MPs. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the St Ronan's Presbyterian Church, Eastbourne.

## **PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S**

*on card*

## **HYMN**

***Give joyful praise and honour***

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Give joyful praise and honour  
to Christ who sets us free  
to work for peace and justice  
and help the blind to see.

Whenever prophets challenge  
injustice, lies and wrong  
or dare expose the weakness  
of those whose power seems strong.

There shall be crucifixions  
of those who dare to speak  
but some will then awaken  
from acquiescent sleep.

You come to fire our spirits  
With dreams that shall come true  
Through laughter, love and labour  
With others and with you.

Give joyful praise and honour  
to Christ who sets us free  
to work for peace and justice  
and help the blind to see.

### **BLESSING**

We are known by God,  
children of promise.  
May we  
live in the grace of Christ,  
standing firm and  
claiming our inheritance of freedom,  
walking by the Spirit,  
expressing our faith through love and  
doing good to all people.

### **SUNG AMEN**

*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 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

<b>On duty This Sunday <i>thank you</i></b>	
Welcoming	Jon Schrader
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Time with the children	Cam Smart
Reader	Heather Macfarlane
Offering	Joan Tyler, Pauline Woolley
Prayers of the People	Graham Howell
Morning Tea	Dawn Cowdry, Graham Howell
Musician	Rosemary Collier

<b>On duty next Sunday 8 February</b>	
Welcoming	Valerie Rhodes, Pam Fuller
Sound	Sarah Jobson
Time with the children	Patricia Booth
Reader	Patricia Booth
Offering	Graham Howell, James Cone
Prayers of the People	Sue McRae
Morning Tea	Sandra & Tony Kirby, Jon Schrader
Musician	Vivien Chiu
Rainbow Room helper	Colma Froggatt

### **This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's**

**Sunday 1 February 10am** Sunday gathering led by Fiona McDougal

**Tuesday 3 February 5.15pm** Wellington Organists' Association concert

**Sunday 8 February 10am** Sunday gathering led by Trish McBride

### UPDATE

On Thursday, Jim and Maxine had coffee with Susan in Orari, who was on her way to Christchurch to accept the call from St Andrew's on The Terrace. She is hoping that Palm Sunday will be her first Sunday here at St Andrew's.

## **CHRISTMAS CAKE FUNDRAISER**

Maxine reports that we raised \$949 from the sale of cakes last year. Many thanks to cake bakers Jenny Simpson, Wendy Matthews and Sandra Kirby and to the generous donors of ingredients. Hope you enjoyed eating them!

## **ST ANDREW'S SINGERS REHEARSALS**

There will be 2 choir practices for the service on Sunday 22 February (the 175th anniversary of the arrival of the first congregation at Petone). We will meet at 9am on Sunday 15th and Sunday 22nd February in the Hall. The music is the choir-only verse of the Old 100th Psalm. (We sang this at last year's 174th anniversary also.) Looking forward to seeing you all then. Vivien Chiu, Church Music Co-ordinator.

## **PART TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT**

Karyn Bishop is the new office assistant and will commence in the office on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February. She will work from 8am – 12noon Monday to Friday.

## **175<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

On 22 February, St Andrew's will mark the 175th Anniversary of the arrival of the first congregation at Petone in 1840. This service will begin celebrations throughout 2015.

## **SAVING ST ANDREW'S BI-ANNUAL MOVIE FUNDRAISER**

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Our next movie is *The Imitation Game* on Monday 2nd March. Meet at 5pm. Movie starts at 6pm.

*A mathematician leads the charge to crack the German Enigma Code that helped the Allies win WWII. He then goes on to assist with the development of computers at the University of Manchester after the war, but was prosecuted by the UK government in 1952 for homosexual acts which the country deemed illegal.*

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# 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

<b>Interim Minister</b>	Jim Cunningham
<b>Parish Council Convenor</b>	Sandra Kirby
<b>Parish Council Clerk</b>	Maxine Cunningham
<b>Treasurer</b>	Paul Barber
<b>Saving St Andrew's Convenor</b>	Lynne Dovey
<b>Pastoral Convenors</b>	Colma Froggatt, Fiona McDougal
<b>Church Music Coordinator</b>	Vivien Chiu
<b>Theologian in Residence</b>	Lloyd Geering
<b>Presbytery Representative</b>	Heather Macfarlane
<b>Concert Coordinator</b>	Marjan van Waardenberg
<b>Rainbow Room Coordinator</b>	Chris Carey-Smith
<b>Church, Conference and Arts Manager</b>	David Medland
<b>Office Assistant</b>	Karyn Bishop
<b>Custodian, SATRS Administrator</b>	Peter Cowley
<b>Sunday Roster Coordinator</b>	Henry Boidya

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