

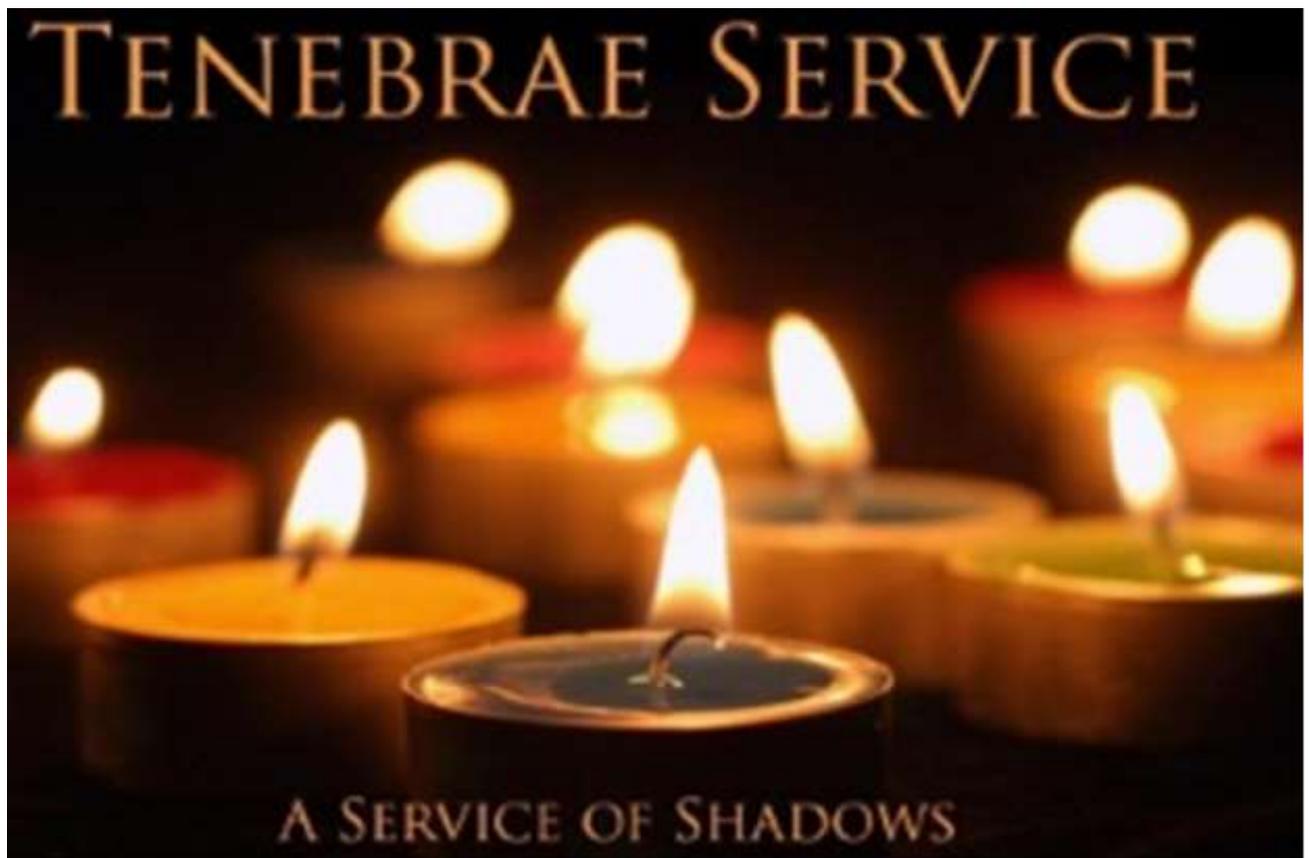
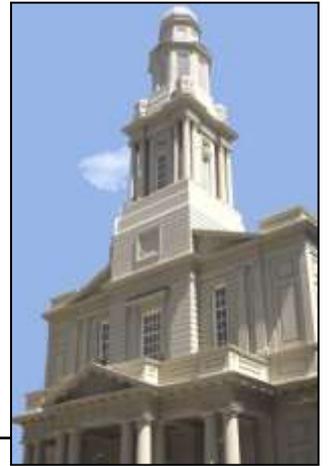
St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

2nd April 2015



MAUNDY THURSDAY

SUPPER AND SHADOWS

**The Service is conducted by:
The Rev Dr Susan Jones**

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.

MUSIC

Welcome. Tonight, across the millennia, in imagination, we join Jesus and his followers around the supper table. We too will share a meal – one modelled on theirs that night.

Then as we read the further story of that night ... the light will dim, and shadows will draw in as we approach the death of a dream in the darkness of Good Friday.

The service will end in darkness and silence. After saying the benediction together we will leave quietly, ready for what the morrow brings.

GATHERING

Jesus of the Upper Room,
Creator of darkness and light,
Spirit of truth and love,

We draw near to you

As we join this celebration of love springing from death,

celebrate this mystery carried by bread and wine,

and enter the shadows of denial and betrayal,

We draw near to you.

POEM

Jesus and his followers gathered to celebrate the Passover, remembering the night the children of Israel were released from bondage in Egypt centuries before. Our Communion is based on Jesus taking two elements of that feast – bread and wine – and linking them to the release he offers from bondage of different kinds.

All are welcome at communion. If you wish to participate but not partake, simply let the elements pass to the next person, using the words printed in the order of service.

THE COMMUNION

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

God we bless your name.

You are the dwelling-place of every generation.

In our day we join with the song sung through the millennia:

Holy, holy, holy one, God of power and love;

you fill heaven and earth.

Blessed are they who come in your name.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

We remember Jesus Christ,

growing up in Galilee

teaching in Jerusalem

living for justice without counting the cost.

With his words and actions

he taught us the ways of the sacred

which are different from the ways of the world.

We are called to be peacemakers,

to hunger and thirst for what is right,

and show mercy to others.

When we do these things,

we are holy - we become saints.

Thanks be to God.

God of every night of our lives

We come to you in the dark night

As, with impending doom hanging over Jesus' head,

He joined with friends, much like us, in the Passover

So tonight, we join together in the Communion

God-with-us, Jesus Christ, we honour you.

We remember Jesus breaking the bread,
sharing the cup, and saying to his disciples,

'Do this in remembrance of me.'

May this bread which we break be blessed,
May this cup which we drink become sacred,

***so the communion we share unites us in Jesus
and nourishes our relationships with each other.***

Through this offering of praise and thanksgiving,
may Christ be present in each one here. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

*We serve each other with the words:
'the bread of life broken for you'
and 'the cup of life poured out for you'*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Spirit of the darkness as well as the light
you have refreshed us with this holy mystery
so we can live better in our world
filled as it is with both sunshine and shadow.

We give you thanks. Amen.

MUSIC

Movement III: Hope
by Jonathan Elias

THE SHADOWS LENGTHEN

*After supper, as on that night, the shadows now draw in.
After each reading, a candle is extinguished.
When all candles have been put out, we wait in silence while the music
plays.
Then we will say together the printed benediction and leave quietly.*

THE FIRST SHADOW

Matthew 26: 20-21 and 25. Jesus predicts his betrayal

²⁰ When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. ²¹ And while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." ... ²⁵ Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely you don't mean me, Rabbi?" Jesus answered, "You have said so."

The first candle is extinguished

THE SECOND SHADOW

Matthew 26:31-35. Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial

³¹ Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me... ³³ Peter replied, "Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will." ³⁴ "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." ³⁵ But Peter declared, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the other disciples said the same.

The second candle is extinguished

THE THIRD SHADOW

Mark 14:32-34 and 40. The Garden

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴ "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch." ... ⁴⁰ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

The third candle is extinguished

THE FOURTH SHADOW

Matthew 26:47-50. Jesus Arrested

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸ Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him." ⁴⁹ Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁵⁰ Jesus replied, "Do what you came for, friend."

The fourth candle is extinguished

THE FIFTH SHADOW

Luke 22:54-57. Peter Disowns Jesus

⁵⁴ Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵ And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. ⁵⁶ A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him." ⁵⁷ But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

The fifth candle is extinguished

THE SIXTH SHADOW

Luke 22: 58-62. Peter further disowns Jesus

⁵⁸ A little later someone else saw Peter and said, "You also are one of them." "Man, I am not!" Peter replied. ⁵⁹ About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean." ⁶⁰ Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹ Jesus turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." ⁶² And he went outside and wept bitterly.

The sixth candle is extinguished

THE LAST SHADOW

Jesus,
What was it like to find you were alone
in the dark of the night?
No one, it seemed,
prepared to stay on your side.
One, the betrayer
left the table early
to do his dark work;
Most of your followers
ran away in terror
from the soporific darkness of the Garden;

Even Peter, despite his protests,
denied any knowledge of you,
as you knew he would, under pressure.
So now there are no friends left,
There is no more time left,
There is no more light left.
All is dark.

The long night has begun
and will lead to a darker day.

The central candle is extinguished

Silence

MUSIC:

Schindler's List

RESOLUTION AND BENEDICTION

We would accompany you
In the darkness of this night
We would not betray
But be faithful
To the sacred cause of Love's justice and truth.

Silence

We go now into the growing darkness of this night
Knowing that the love of God
Who is Creativity, Mercy and Power
Is with us now and for ever AMEN

Please leave quietly

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.

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