St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

10am Service - 17 May 2015



EASTER 7 Celebrating Women's Ministry



Margaret Reid is ordained in St Andrew's on The Terrace as the first woman minister of the New Zealand Presbyterian Church, 13 May 1965



Miss Hetty Walker
(H Walker)



Miss Jenny Hall
(A Stewart)



Sister Margaret Hewson
(I Hewson)



Mrs Lena Mitchell

These four women were ordained by Lloyd Geering at St James' Presbyterian Church, Wellington the Sunday following the 1955 General Assembly which approved the ordination of women elders.

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 gather, to receive ministry and to give it today between and among each other, men and women young and old, host and visitor alike. Here we all are in the presence of Love Thanks be to God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Come celebrate the women'

Shirley Erena Murray Words © 1992 Hope Publishing Company Tune: Ellacombe

Come, celebrate the women who brought the Church to birth! the gentle revolution that shall transform the earth: whose faith was salt and leaven, whose hearts and minds were free, and this was their direction -- to peace and unity.

The teachers, saints and mothers who lived and died unsung kept safe the gospel story and taught it to the young; the Christ child Mary cradled, the living Word to be, was crucified for pleading this peace and unity.

Daughters of the disciples, you weave the story still, the fabric of the future with warmth and love and skill, you make the bread of wholeness, the wine of harmony -- and all shall share your feasting in peace and unity!

OPENING RESPONSES (please remain standing)

Joy Cowley

From 'Creation Dance' in Psalms Down Under

In the beginning God the dancer danced the dance of love,

filling up the emptiness of waiting with her rhythm.

She danced out the universe, twirled the stars and planets,

held light and dark in either hand and clapped them into wisdom.

And everything moved in a circle of love...,

And everything moved in a circle of love
and God saw that it was good

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LAMENT

We give thanks for all women and men who studied and trained so we might grow spiritually; opening up the mystery of God, showing us the depths of Love alerting us to signs of Spirit in the world

We give thanks for what was gained

We give thanks for those who cared so we lived and learned well; who lived with courage, modelling how not to fall into despair, For those who advocated for issues of justice, resisting oppression

We give thanks for what was gained

For those who pioneered ministry in unlikely places; For those who led where others had not led before, who moderated and discussed in meetings large and small; ministers who faced ridicule, resistance and indifference.

We give thanks for what was gained

For those wishing to be ordained but subtle pressures intervened; who were barred for reasons they did not understand.

We lament what was lost

For those who found ministry too long and high and rough and broke under the strain, hurting themselves and others.

We lament what was lost

For those who find church hierarchies daunting rather than helpful, structures confining rather than freeing;
For those who found ministry but lost themselves, and those who found themselves and so lost their ministry.

We lament what was lost

So in the silence now, we bring for healing hurts accumulating over years, known and unknown, hidden and apparent. (Silence)

And we bring for forgiveness anything which needs it, and ask for help in letting go any regrets we carry with us. (Silence)

Delightfully, we are reminded of the breadth and depth of Love which surrounds us every day; that we can know healing and forgiveness; and regrets can fly like fragile balloons in the immensity of space.

Thanks be to God

Yet more doors can be opened so all can minister in our church and flourish in this world. We can be company enough, ready to search for those doors together so all can be opened to a more just future.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

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

God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Feel free to pass the peace with those nearby or move to greet others further away. Passing the peace consists of shaking hands and saying "Peace be with you." The response is "Peace be with you" or just "And with you." Or, simply saying 'Hello" is a good idea. Also feel free to simply observe if you wish!

REFLECTION Trish McBride

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Dona nobis pacem

Music by Vivien Chiu Elisabeth Auchinvole (violin), Vivien Chiu (piano).

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Gospel:

Sandra Kirby

Other biblical or contemporary reading

Barbara Brown Taylor From 'The Practice of Waking up to God' in *An Altar in the World* (Canterbury Press, Norwich, 2009), pp. 14-5.

Luke 10:38-42 & John 11:17-27

If there is a switch to flip, I have never found it. As with Jacob, most of my visions of the divine have happened while I was busy doing something else. I did nothing to make them happen. They happened to me the same way a thunderstorm happens to me, or a bad cold, or the sudden awareness that I am desperately in love. I play no apparent part in their genesis. My only part is to decide how I will respond, since there is plenty I can do to make them go away, namely: 1) I can figure that I have had too much caffeine again; 2) I can remind myself that visions are not true; or 3) I can return my attention to everything I need to get done today. These are only a few of the things I can do to talk myself out of living in the House of God.

Or I can set a little altar, in the world or in my heart. I can stop what I am doing long enough to see where I am, who I am there with, and how awesome the place is. I can flag one more gate to heaven – one more patch of ordinary earth with ladder marks on it – where the divine traffic is heavy when I notice it and even when I do not. I can see it for once, instead of walking right past it, maybe even setting a stone or saying a blessing before I move on to wherever I am due next.

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

REFLECTION

The Very Rev Pamela Tankersley

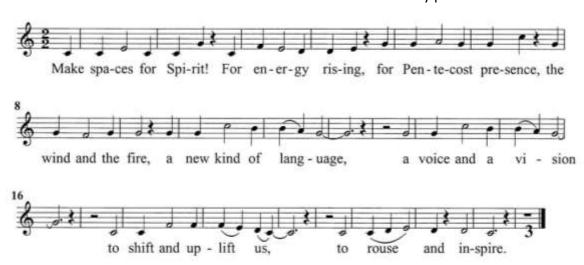
LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN

HIOS 96 'Make spaces for Spirit'

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Make spaces for Spirit! For energy rising, for Pentecost presence, the wind and the fire, a new kind of language, a voice and a vision to shift and uplift us, to rouse and inspire.

Make spaces for action by spirited people: The leader, the teacher, the healer of ill, the builder, the artist, the bringer of laughter, the melding and welding of spirit and will.

Make spaces for graces, the gifts of the Spirit, the fruit of the garden where love is the spring, the water of blessing, the incense of worship, the wine poured for sharing, the hope that will sing.

Make spaces for Spirit by changing of systems, by opening prisons, by debtors' release, the flaming of courage, the firing of justice, the Spirit of Jesus, the coming of peace.

PRAYER

These gifts we offer with our hearts and lives, our effort and our ministry for all in our world, Amen.

We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table, and those which wing their way electronically from our banks to the church's account.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rosemary Lawrence

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Germany and the Council of Christian Churches in Germany. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Jo Goodhew and Nathan Guy, and their electorates of Rangitata and Otaki. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of Johnsonville Uniting Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

TIME WITH ADULTS

Rainbow Room Children

HYMN

'We shall go out with hope of resurrection'

© 1993 June Boyce Tillman from *Equal Rites* Tune: Londonderry Air

We shall go out with hope of resurrection; we shall go out, from strength to strength go on; we shall go out and tell our stories boldly; tales of a love that will not let us go.

We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted; we'll dream our dream of hurts that can be healed; we'll weave a cloth of all the world united within the vision of new life which sets us free.

We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken; we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed; we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer, expressive love alive in every heart.

We'll share our joy with those who are still weeping, raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief, we'll leap and dance the resurrection story including all within the circles of our love.

BLFSSING

We walk in the footsteps of those who have gone before us *May we be as faithful in our own ministry*We walk the journey with God *Amen, we walk the path set before us in our world*

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Thank you to, Peter Franklin (organ), Elisabeth Auchinvole (violin), Vivien Chiu (piano). our musicians today.

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

A folder can be found at the rear of the church with copies of some of today's hymns for your use during the service.

Thanks to this week's volunteers	
Welcoming	Jon Schrader
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Kunal Goel & Margaret Pannett
Coffee/tea	James Cone, Sue McRae & Janet Horncy
Time with the Adults	
Readings	Pauline Woolley
Prayers of the People	Rosemary Lawrence
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Colma Froggatt

On duty Sunday 24 May	
Welcoming	Keith Rimmer & Henry Boidya
Sound	Sarah Jobson
Offering	Jon Schrader & Paul Satherley
Coffee/tea	Richard Keller, Pam Fuller & Jennifer Bush
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Time with the Children	Chris Carey-Smith
Readings	Margaret Rushbrook
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Musician	Margaret Ogilvie
Rainbow Room Helper	Ross Young
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SUNDAY ROSTERS

A folder with an outline of each duty is now kept on the back table. If you are unable to do your rostered duty please arrange a swap/substitute and inform the office. Thank you.

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 17 May 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones. With reflection by The Very Rev Pamela Tankersley.

2.30am Women's Ministry Celebration Service led by Susan Jones.

Wednesday 20 May 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Louis Lucas-Perry, Piano Recital **Sunday 24 May 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

NOTICES

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S MINISTRY - TODAY AT 2.30PM!

All are invited to a service in the year of the 60th anniversary of the NZ Presbyterian Church's decision to ordain women as elders and the 50th anniversary of the ordination of the first woman Minister, Rev Margaret Reid Martin in St Andrew's on The Terrace, May 1965. This Service to celebrate women's ministry of all kinds will be held in St Andrew's on The Terrace at 2.30pm, Sunday May 17th, 2015.

PLANNED GIVING AT ST ANDREWS ON THE TERRACE

Thank you to all of you who support our work through planned giving and Sunday offerings. This is a brief update on donations to the end of April. Around one third of our income comes from this source and we are budgeting for \$90,000 offerings income for the full year to 30th June 2015. Offerings & Planned Giving for the ten months to 30 April 2015: Received \$61,521 Budget \$75,000 Donations for St Andrews Centre Fundraising also received: \$13,490. 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, 02-0534-0004022-002. All donations over \$5 are eligible for a tax deductible receipt.

VIVA VANUATU

A musical fundraiser for the victims of Cyclone Pam. To be held at St Andrew's on The Terrace on Friday May 22nd from 7-8.15pm. Featuring NZ Opera, Tre-Belle, Jane Keller and members of the cast of Grease. Door sales only \$20 for more information contact Ph 021 0218 9021. All proceeds go to the NZ Red Cross.

INTERFAITH/INTERCULTURAL CANDLELIT VIGIL FOR NEPAL

To be held at St Andrew's on The Terrace Church from 5.30-6.30pm on Sunday 24th May. This event is an opportunity for Wellingtonians to reflect, pray, give and light a candle for the people of Nepal. Representatives from UNICEF, NZ Red Cross, UNESCO and the Wellington Nepalese Society will be sharing personal stories from family and friends in Nepal. Local faith community representatives will be offering prayers. Donations will be accepted for the Red Cross and Unicef Nepal Earthquake Appeals. Please bring a candle and candleholder. Refreshments served afterwards. For more information contact: Robert Mackay at mackay.lachlan@gmail.com

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT

This year Fair Trade Fortnight will take place from the 8th to the 22nd of May. Please see below for a range of website links to events happening during the fortnight. http://www.wellingtonfairtrade.org.nz/#!coming-events/c2l2 https://www.facebook.com/events/424710787654070/

WELLINGTON CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERTS AT ST ANDREWS

The next concert to be held at St Andrew's on The Terrace will be on Sunday 31st May from 3pm. Featuring the Aroha Quartet. For further information visit the website http://www.chambermusic.co.nz

SOUND SYSTEM TRAINING

For all those involved in operation of the Sound System for the Services there will be some training taking place on Sunday 24th May following the 10am service with Peter Cowley (approx. 20 mins). This will take a look at the new equipment, go over service requirements and answer any questions you might have. Thank you.

END CHILD POVERTY - ACTION STATION PETITION

One in five children in New Zealand live in poverty. This is a not only a national crisis, but an entirely avoidable one. We know what it would take to turn around the lives of hundreds of thousands of New Zealand children living in poverty, and we have the resources to make it happen.

Here is another small way of building the pressure to reduce child poverty. To sign the petition visit this website: http://www.actionstation.org.nz/endpovertynz

SAVING ST ANDREW'S MOVIE FUNDRAISER

Monday June 15th (please note change of date) meet at 5pm for 6pm screening (Released at the movies on 28th May) NOBLE tells the true story of a courageous Irishwoman, Christina Noble, who overcomes a harsh childhood to find her destiny on the streets of Saigon, fourteen years after the end of the war. The film captures the drama of a life that has culminated in Christina Noble helping almost a million street-children and their families in Vietnam and Mongolia. For the Trailer, visit



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ogoeU 59XEM

FOR YOUR DIARY - ST ANDREW'S MYSTERY DINNERS 2015

This year the St Andrew's Mystery Dinners will be held on Saturday the 15th and 29th of August. "Please keep these dates marked on your calendar and sign up on the list on the table at the back of the church".

FREE PUBLIC TALKS FROM EUTHANASIA FREE NZ

On 25 May there'll be a High Court hearing on whether NZ doctors should be allowed to help patients commit suicide. Three free public talks are scheduled to help you become more informed on this important issue:

For more info see www.euthanasiafree.org.nz/events or phone 021 167 4042

SGM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Collaging your Life: Meditative retreat day - discover the power of images in the spiritual journey. No artistic ability needed. Saturday 6 June, 9.30am to 4pm. Bring own lunch. \$50, includes tea, coffee, biscuits, materials. Maximum of 6 participants Facilitator: Trish McBride. Venue: Broadmeadows Ph 04 478 6332 or mcbride@paradise.net.nz

Colours and Shapes of Grief,

A time to be with grief in a gentle supportive atmosphere, to give it colours and shape through collage work. No artistic ability needed.

Saturday 27 June, 9.30 am – 4 pm. BYO Lunch. \$50 (includes materials, tea/coffee, biscuits). Maximum of 6 participants. Facilitator: Trish McBride. Venue: Broadmeadows Ph (04) 478 6332 or mcbride@paradise.net.nz

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

Minister	Susan Jones
Parish Council Convenor	Sandra Kirby
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham (leave of absence)
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
Office Assistant	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Roster Coordinator	Henry Boidya

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