St Andrew's on The Terrace

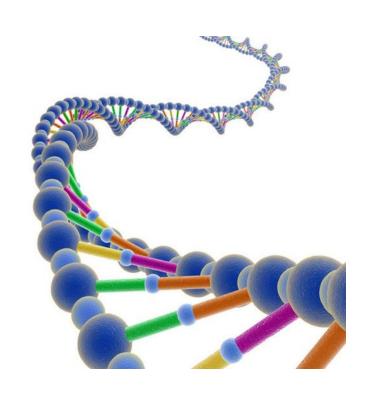
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ORDER OF SERVICE

8 May 2016



Easter 7



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

This morning we are here to open our minds, to wonder, and seek a new vision of our purpose.

We will look to what we know of the person of Jesus for inspiration and guidance.

We will stand before our God seeking once again to be helped to continue to live in the ways of Love.

We will now open ourselves to be co-creators of goodness as we sing to our God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

VU 260 'God, who gives to life its goodness'

Words: © 1970 Walter Farquharson Tune: Abbot's Leigh ©1942, 1970 Hope Publishing Company

God who gives to life its goodness,
God creator of all joy,
God who gives to us our freedom,
God who blesses tool and toy:
teach us now to laugh and praise you,
deep within your praises sing,
till the whole creation dances
for the goodness of its King.

God who fills the earth with beauty, God who binds each friend to friend, God who names us co-creators God who wills that chaos end: grant us now creative spirits, minds responsive to your mind, hearts and wills your rule extending all our acts by Love refined.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Lois Robertson

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!

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Francis Porter

Hebrew Bible Psalm 97

Gospel John 17: 20-26

Contemporary reading

Readings in Evolution, Genetics, and Eugenics

By Horatio Hackett Newman

Human performance always lags behind human knowledge. Many persons who are fully aware of the right procedure do not put their knowledge into practice. It follows, therefore, that any programme which does not grip the imagination of the common people in such a way as to become and effective part of their very lives is bound to remain largely an academic affair for utopians to argue and theorise over.

It is not enough to collect facts and work out an analysis and interpretation of them, for, important as this preliminary step is, it must be followed by a convincing programme of education.

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 Cross and Evolution'

Norman Wilkins

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Send us the fire of your justice, send us the rains of your love Come send us the Spirit, breathe life in your people and make us the people of God

Call us to be your compassion, teach us the song of your love, Give us hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring, make us ring with the song of your love.

Send us the fire of your justice

Call us to learn of your mercy, teach us the way of your peace; Give us hearts that feel, give us hands that heal, make us walk in the way of your peace.

Send us the fire of your justice

Refrain

deeds that

ring.

Call us to answer oppression, teach us the fire of your truth; Give us yearning souls, 'til your justice rolls, make us burn with the fire of your truth.

Send us the fire of your justice

Send us the fire of your jus-tice

Send us the rains of your love;

Come send us the Spir-it, breathe life in your peo-ple, and make us the Verse 1

peo-ple of God.

Call us to be your com-pas-sion,

teach us the song of your love,

Give us hearts that sing, give us

To Refrain

make us ring with the song of your love.

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

With humility we give thanks that we have goods and money we can give this day. We ask those distributing these resources will be gifted with wisdom and insight in the giving. We look to the day when the ways of open hearts and generosity will replace suspicion, fear, greed and power so that all may know justice and fulfilment in their lives. 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.

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S

People share notices and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice not already in the order of service, please move to the front row, ready to speak <u>briefly</u> from the lectern.

For the benefit of newcomers, please introduce yourself before you begin.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mike Wespel-Rose

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Papua New Guinea and the Christian World Service supported literacy programme in Bouganville that seeks to provide local language literacy training to young adults in all 22 language group areas of Bougainville with the expectation that this will act as the first stepping stone towards gaining an education. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Matt Doocey and Sarah Dowie and the people of their electorates of Waimakariri and Invercargill. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of St John's in the City Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

AA87 'Lift high the cross'

Music: © 1974, 1992 Hope Publishing Company

Words: © Shirley Murray

Lift high the cross,
The love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world
Adore his glorious name!

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout! If we are silent, even stones cry out.

Lift high the cross..

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife, teach us compassion for each human life. Lift high the cross...

Peace was your plea and peace your loving theme let peace be our passport, peace a living dream Lift high the cross...

Great is the cost of walking on this road, to follow and suffer with the Son of God *Lift high the cross...*

Worlds to be born and children yet to be come, take up this song into eternity

Lift high the cross...

WE SAY TO EACH OTHER

The kingdom of love is coming because: somewhere someone is kind when others are unkind, somewhere someone shares with another in need, somewhere someone refuses to hate, while others hate, somewhere someone is patient - and waits in love, somewhere someone returns good for evil, somewhere someone serves another, in love, somewhere someone is calm in a storm, somewhere someone is loving everybody. Is that someone you?

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Vivien Chiu

Our musician 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 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 blue "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 Qy, 02-0534-0004022-02

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.

| Thanks to this week's volunteers | | |
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| Welcoming | Brian & Linda Burrell | |
| Sound | Paul Satherley | |
| Offering | Graham Howell, James Cone | |
| Coffee/tea | Katrina Harper, Norman & Linda Wilkins | |
| Time with the Children | Lois Robertson | |
| Readings | Francis Porter | |
| Prayers of the People | Mike Wespel-Rose | |
| Musician | Vivien Chiu | |
| Rainbow Room Helper | Molly Seah | |

| On duty Sunday 15 May | |
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| Welcoming | Judith Cowley, volunteer required |
| Sound | Peter Cowley |
| Offering | Henry Boidya & Keith Rimmer |
| Coffee/tea | Janet Horncy, Ross Young, James Cone |
| Time with the Adults | |
| Readings | Lynette Burrell |
| Prayers of the People | Sonia Groes-Petrie |
| Musician | TBC |
| Rainbow Room Helper | Pam Fuller |

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday May 8 10am Sunday Gathering led by Norman Wilkins

Followed by Congregational Conversation

Tuesday 10 May 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 11 May Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 11 May 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Owen Moriarty | Solo Guitar Recital

Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 May NZ Blood Service in St Andrew's Hall all day

Thursday 12 May 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Saturday 14 May 1pm - 4pm Mural Painting in the Hall

Sunday 15 May 10am Sunday Gathering led by the Worship Committee

Followed by Social Justice Meeting

3pm Wellington Chamber Music Trust Concert | Amici Ensemble

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

ADVANCE INFORMATION ABOUT GATHERINGS IN MAY, JUNE & JULY

All Gatherings in May are led by Susan except May 8th - Norman Wilkins will lead us - and on May 15th (Pentecost) the Worship Committee will lead the Gathering. June 12th Jim Cunningham takes the service. This is followed by an afternoon wedding, so our congregational conversation will be in Conference Rooms 1 & 2. On June 19th (Disability Sunday) a 'dance-as-sermon' entitled GRACE will be danced by Jennifer De Leon (Auckland). She will also perform STRIPPED BARE in St Andrew's Hall Friday night (17th June) and Saturday afternoon (18th June). (Suggested koha \$20 waged, \$10 unwaged.). Please promote this to people you know who are interested in dance. Work also is in hand for celebration of the 30th anniversary of Homosexual Law Reform in July. July 17th, will feature your poetry choices – details soon.

PENTECOST SERVICE 15TH MAY

There will be no notices in the service on 15th May to avoid interrupting the flow of the service. Please send any notices to the office beforehand so they can be printed in the Order of Service. Any vital last minute notices can be announced over coffee. You may wish to wear red to celebrate Pentecost! Fiona (for the worship committee)

WORLD FAIRTRADE CHALLENGE 13-15 MAY 2016

Be part of the biggest fairtrade coffee break on Earth! Join millions of coffee lovers in the World Fairtrade Challenge and support coffee farmers in their fight against climate change. Visit https://www.fairtradechallenge.org/nz/about/how-to-take-part/ to find out how you can download an event pack to take to your workplace, club or any other group.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Many members of St Andrew's on The Terrace will know our friend and fellow parishioner Prue Wilson who is turning 90 this month. We have received an invitation from Prue's daughters for any members of St Andrew's who would like to help them celebrate, to join them for 'high tea' at Rita Angus Retirement Village (in the Family Room, ground floor) at 10am until 1pm on **Saturday 21**st **May**. If you intend to go along please RSVP via email to <u>ianet@longfamilv.co.nz</u> as soon as possible.

THE SECOND PSALMS PROJECT AT POLL SALACH - EASTER SUNDAY 1998

While I was looking for Easter snow on the hills You showed me, like a concentration of violets Or a fragment from some future unimagined sky

A single spring gentian shivering at our feet. -Michael Longley

The Psalms in the Old Testament comprise poems/prayers/invocations directed to God and written by people a very long time ago. In the twenty first century let's compile another set of psalms.

We simply need poems nominated which St Andrew's people have found...

- a. nourish their soul and/or develop their wisdom
- b. inform about the sacred/human intersection
- c. offer help on the journey of life.
- d. develop and grow their spirituality/faith/discernment
- e. increase awe, wonder and reverence (any or all of the above)

It's easy:

- 1. Choose your poem this may be a poem you have **written yourself** (bravo) or a poem **by someone else** chosen from your own reading (also bravo) –anything from the last 1600 years or so.
- 2. Write a brief paragraph about why this poem is your choice (connecting with at least one of the reasons above. It may help others access the intent of the poem in hearing your thoughts about it)
- 3. Type out the poem itself and its Author and title and also your "why" paragraph.
- 4. Email the poem and also your reason for choosing it to the church office office@standrews.org.nz or post/hand it in to the office with your name and contact details and the details of the book where you got it from. Head your email 'The second psalms'.
- 5. Do this by the mid-June (say 15th).

A selection of nominations will be presented at a St Andrew's Sunday gathering on July 17th as part of the service. All nominated poems and the "why they were chosen" will be printed in a booklet available to everyone a little later.

Any questions about any part of this process, direct to Mike Wespel-Rose, Fiona McDougall or Susan Jones.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

On **Monday 09 May 2016 at 10:00 am** there is a wreath laying ceremony by His Excellency Ismail Kahraman — Speaker of the National Assembly, Turkey at the Attaturk Memorial Bowes Crescent, Strathmore Park. Ann Barrie's daughter Sarah, RNZAF, is in the tri-service Catafalque Guard. Vehicle access from Strathmore Park, walking access (steep) from the coast road. Being there from 9.40am would be a good idea if you wish to attend.

SUPPORT LIVING WAGE WELLINGTON AT WCC

Come along and support the Living Wage Wellington delegation to Wellington City Council, asking Council to match the current Living Wage rate, to phase this in to cover all workers in CCOs and those employed via contractors, and to put in place a plan to become a fully-accredited Living Wage employer by June 2018. Wear your Living Wage t-shirt if you have one! **Tuesday 10th May 2.15pm-2.40pm**. For further details visit the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/events/1186404784716239/

MOBILE BLOOD DRIVE AT ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Once again the blood service will be in the hall at St Andrew's collecting on **Wednesday 11**th **and Thursday 12**th **May** from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Please call 0800 200 430 to make an appointment.

MARY POTTER HOSPICE VOLUNTEER COLLECTORS NEEDED

Mary Potter Hospice needs collectors during their annual appeal on **Friday 20th, and Saturday 21st of May**. Mary Potter Hospice provides free palliative care to those living with life-limiting conditions and their families, across Wellington, Porirua and the Kapiti Coast. If anyone would like to register as a volunteer they can fill in the form here: http://www.marypotter.org.nz/support-us/events/annual-street-collection/

CHILD POVERTY ACTION GROUP - Wellington Post Budget Breakfast

Each year CPAG provides child-focused analyses and commentary of the year's budget. In Wellington, CPAG and the Public Health Association branch arrange a breakfast meeting to provide an accessible and affordable avenue for the community to come together and hear about how the budget affects children and young people, especially our most vulnerable who live in poverty. This year the breakfast will be held on **Friday 27**th **May** from 7.15am. Breakfast served at 7.15am, speakers begin at 7.30am. Spaces are limited, so register now! Waged: \$20, Unwaged: \$10. To be held at St John's in the City, Cnr Willis Street & Dixon Street Te Aro. For further information and to register visit: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nldfhomab&oeidk=a07eckxospt4b87d137

HOSPICE CUPPA

Mary Potter Hospice will be joining with other Hospices around New Zealand to take part in the 'Hospice Cuppa' promotion. You can join in by hosting a morning or afternoon tea for your friends, family or colleagues at your home or work place. The hope is that your guests will make a donation to Mary Potter Hospice when they attend. You can arrange your morning or afternoon tea anytime between now and the end of July - just register to take part and you will be sent your own Hospice Cuppa pack which includes Dilmah Tea, Invitations, Recipe Cards and more! Registration is free - please register online at www.hospicecuppa.co.nz

CONFERENCE: WOVEN TOGETHER? CHRISTIANITY AND DEVELOPMENT BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND THE PACIFIC - Dates: 9-10 June 2016

Venue: Hunter Council Chambers, Kelburn Campus, Victoria University of Wellington Organisers: Philip Fountain and Geoff Troughton

This conference seeks to examine Christianity as a development actor by investigating the roles that Christianity has played in influencing development and humanitarian practices, ideologies, rituals, networks and imaginations in the Pacific.

The conference will also probe the flip-side of this relationship; namely, the ways in which development and humanitarianism have influenced and reshaped Pacifica Christianities. The conference is interested in analysing all aspects of the interweaving of Christianity and development in the Pacific.

The conference is organised by the Religious Studies Programme with support from Victoria University of Wellington, UNESCO and the New Zealand Aid Programme. The draft conference programme and registration information is available at the conference website: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/sacr/research/religious-studies/woven-together-conference

Early bird registration closes on 16 May.

Beauty in Islam

Historical, Philosophical and Theological Considerations



Dr. Christopher E. Longhurst

St Andrew's on The Terrace, Wellington, New Zealand Thursday 12 May 2016, 10:00am – 12:00pm

This lecture looks at Islam, and how Islam understands the notion of beauty, and how Islam represents itself aesthetically through the arts, particularly in letters and sounds, and in architecture, and in other ways. The lecture introduces the rich philosophical and theological framework that has given rise to the Islamic sense of beauty, a combination of the Arab–Islamic mind with classical and local traditions worldwide.

Specific topics explore Islam's most significant modules: The Masjid (mosque) and the Qur'an; and how these are considered beautiful to Muslims, and how they can be understood as beautiful to anyone outside the Islamic tradition. Other topics look at Islamic mysticism, the Ninety-nine Beautiful Names of Allah, and connections between Islam and Christianity regarding important personalities shared between the Christian and Islamic traditions.

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 |
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| Parish Council Convenor | Sandra Kirby |
| Parish Council Clerk | Maxine Cunningham |
| Treasurer | Paul Barber |
| Facilities Management Group | Douglas Wood |
| Pastoral Convenors | Fiona McDougal, Brian Burrell, Linda Wilkins |
| 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 |
| Facilities Assistant | Rebecca Nodwell |
| Roster Coordinator | Rosemary Lawrence |

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