St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

25 September 2016



Pentecost 19



Storm

4th Sunday of Creation

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.
To use the loop system in the church, turn your hearing aids on to the appropriate setting.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened. In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

MUSIC

Winter from Four Seasons, Vivaldi

Nigel Kennedy with the English Chamber Orchestra

GATHERING

We have come to be together, safe, warm, connected and to acknowledge our awe at the forces of nature

The sun does not always shine, winds are not always still there can be turbulence without and within

We know that storms, be they welcome or challenging, will pass and rainbows will come again as signs of hope.

Let us celebrate life and storms in the Presence we name God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AA114 'Out of such sun and air'

Words & Music: © 1988 Colin Gibson

Out of such sun and air what Christ may come, shining with new and lovely light on our dim and shrouded lives; Stirring our sleepiness with dreams, visions of life beyond compare. Out of this sun and air come, Christ, however you will come.

Out of such cloud and mist what Christ may come, blurring the clear and simple lines of our settled scheme of things; Calling on faith and hope and trust, daring to danger, trial and risk. Out of this cloud and mist come, Christ, however you will come.

Out of such sudden storm what Christ may come,

sweeping across the startled sky of our calm and peaceful ways; Driving with tempest winds of change, testing with tumult and reform. Out of this sudden storm come, Christ, however you will come.

PRAYER

When we ponder storms, so many images spring to mind: It is easy to understand Divine Presence in the summer storm bringing rains that break the drought, refreshing all that grows and relieving tension and humidity.

We give thanks for life-giving waters.

We search for the God of Justice and Compassion when storms of human-generated crisis, involving family, community, nation or all of us swirl around and catch us in their chaos.

Compassionate Spirit, give us courage to row against wild tides and clear sight to choose the right way forward.

How do we find God when weather systems clash, and nature's destructive overwhelming forces against which humans are powerless cause death and damage on land and at sea?

Compassionate Spirit, be with us to guide, strengthen and comfort in the storms of life.

How do we find God in our inner storms, when visibility is nil, our charts and compass lost, the sand-banks moved, the beacons gone, and sense of direction disappears?

Compassionate Spirit, be with us to guide, strengthen and comfort in the storms of life.

WELCOME

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

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN (Round, with congregation)

Margaret Megwyn

I hear thunder, I hear thunder Hark, don't you? Hark, don't you? Pitter, patter raindrops, pitter patter raindrops I'm wet through. So are you!

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

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

MEDITATION

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Wendy Matthews

Gospel

Matthew 8, 23-27

(Good News Bible)

Contemporary reading

Excerpts from the Evening Post Editorial, 11 April 1968

RESPONSE

For the Word in scripture, for the Word among us, for the Word within us, we give thanks

HYMN

'In Our World' Vs 1, 6

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In our world we find delight for creation, day and night, brings us solace, joy;
Spirit grows, refreshes, gleams as the earth fuels richer dreams just by being here;

May this beauty never end May this solace always be here May the human race take notice and show divine compassion.

Storm brings dark clouds, water falls lightning's crash astounds us all

as the front rolls in;
rain that lashes window panes
brings new life to parched farmland
rehydrating fields;
May this beauty never end
may this rain continue watering
may the human race take notice
and show divine compassion

REFLECTIONS

Valerie Rhodes, Margaret Megwyn, Trish McBride

HYMN

'Let us reach down deep inside us'

Words: © 2015 Susan Jones. Music © Gaelic Trad arr John Bell FFS10 (i) (Sung with a silence between verses)

Let us reach down deep inside us to the place where quiet reigns; Find the Self who lives inside us knows our joy and knows our pains: Let our ego stand aside there, shadow sharing space with light. Let our inner selves rejoice at how Love shines in darkest night. Silence

Wind and fire and earthquake pass but Spirit is not found in them; Still, small voice is hardly heard, but brings Love which does not condemn. In lives buffeted by windstorms, rocked by quakes and scorched by fire, stillness brings surprising solace as we find there, hearts' desire. Silence

Sacred calm means minds can settle, hearts grow quiet, souls grow still; Busy thinking slows its rhythm, gives compassion chance to fill. Even long-forgotten scars heal as new balm brings a new way; Every space and every crevice warms as Love arrives to stay.

JESUS PRAYER Jim Cotter Version

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
With the food and money gifts we give today,
From our need or from our surplus,
May others, no less deserving than ourselves, be fed.
And in this giving and receiving
May givers and receivers alike be blessed.
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

Colma Froggatt

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Swaziland and the Council of Swaziland Churches. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Trevor Mallard and Todd McClay and the members of their electorates of Hutt South and Rotorua. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of Kapiti Uniting Parish.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

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 <u>briefly</u> from the lectern.

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

SONG 'When you walk through a storm' Vhari McWha & Vivien Chiu

Music: R Rogers. Words: O Hammerstein

DANCE Led by Margaret Megwyn

SILENCE

BLESSING EACH OTHER (sung twice, music follows)

Deep peace of the running waves to you

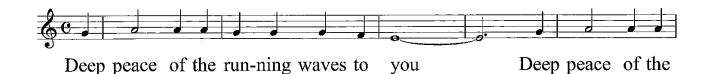
Deep peace of the silent stars

Deep peace of the flowing air to you

Deep peace of the quiet earth

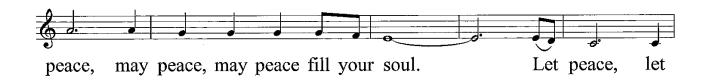
May peace, may peace fill your soul.

Let peace, let peace, let peace make you whole











AMEN

THANK YOU

Vivien Chiu

Our Musician today

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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 one of the welcome leaflets (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	
Welcoming	Pam Fuller, Linda Wilkins
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Joan Tyler, Norman Wilkins
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy, Andrew Matthews, volunteer
Time with the Children	Margaret Megwyn
Readings	Wendy Matthews
Prayers of the People	Colma Froggatt
Musician	Vivien Chiu
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah

On duty Sunday 2 Oct	
Welcoming	Heather Macfarlane, TBC
Communion	Jim & Maxine Cunningham, Bronwyn White,
	Vhari McWha
Sound	Jennifer Bush-Daumec
Offering	Paul Barber, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Coffee/tea	Frank & Sue Cook, Caroline Glass, Pam Fuller
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Lois Robertson
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Musician	TBC
Rainbow Room Helper	School Holiday activities at the back of Church

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 25 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Trish McBride

Followed by Exploring the Faith Study session Conference Room 2

2.30pm Wellington Chamber Orchestra Concert (ticketed)

Wednesday 28 September Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 28 September 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Guitar Students of the NZSM

Thursday 29 September 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre.

Sunday 2 October 10am Sunday Gathering including Communion led by Susan Jones (and others) at which we welcome newcomers from the past two years. Followed by Congregational Brunch in the Hall (please bring a plate of food to share).

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

WELCOMING SUNDAY

Sunday 2nd October we are welcoming new Whanau, Associate Members and Members and celebrating any changes in connection. If you are a newcomer (over the last couple of years) please contact Susan asap. If you want to make a new connection, look at the information in the welcome pack and then see Susan this week please.

EXPLORING THE FAITH

Meeting monthly, we are using the Eclipsing Empire DVD study series to study Paul – the legend and the reality. This month we look at the cities Paul visited and the letters he wrote and those he didn't. All welcome. Conference Room 2, 11.45 to 1pm.

SPIRITED CONVERSATIONS, OCTOBER 3, 2016: CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 & 2, 6.15pm

Topic: Sustainability, Water and Theology with Dr Andrew Matthews and Sonya Gross-Petrie. Andrew and Sonia will lead a discussion on the genesis of environmental thought, and concepts of sustainability, both globally and from a New Zealand perspective. They will challenge a few urban myths and discuss some examples of water management in New Zealand. Catered meal \$10pp.

RSVP Form as per usual in the blue clipboard on the table at the back of the church.

LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS:

Where do the candidates stand on the living wage and homelessness in Wellington City and the Living Wage in Hutt City? Norman Wilkins has obtained the information for review if you are interested. There will be hard copies available at the back of the Church or you can email him for an electronic copy g8m8zinbayst@gmail.com

FERTILZER FOR SALE

Parishioner Jon Schrader has some liquid, organic fertilizer from a worm farm for sale. A 2L bottle will be \$5. He advises this is used direct or half and half with water and he has had many reports of good results. To order please see Jon after church or Ph 389 7082.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR RESEARCH FORUM

This is a networking opportunity to share and report on current research, supported by Hui E! Community Aotearoa. **Tuesday 27th September**, 3:00pm – 5:00pm at Railway West Wing, room 129. RSVP: lynn.barlow@vuw.ac.nz Refreshments will be served from 2:45pm. Speakers: Brent Kennerley, Ruth Weatherall and Christopher D.B. Burt. http://www.victoria.ac.nz/vbs/research-services/research-partnerships/cvsr-forums

TURNING THE CURVE: REFUGEE WOMEN DRIVE DRIVING PRACTICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Be part of their journey. Support a refugee background woman to get a driver licence. We're looking for some remarkable women willing to volunteer their time to take a refugee-background woman for driving practice. Each learner driver's had professional lessons, and now needs practice to get her licence. She will provide the car for practice. Training is provided for volunteers. Volunteers can choose to practise with a Porirua, Hutt or Wellington driver.

Contact Naomi Tocher, ChangeMakers, naomi@crf.org.nz or Ph 04 801 5812

AWAKEN CONFERENCE NZ - 21 - 24 OCTOBER

This Labour weekend LGBT Christians, families, friends and church leaders come together for a weekend-long LGBT Christian conference. An awesome opportunity to network and hear from NZ and international speakers, on how to create safe spaces for LGBT Christians and related topics.

https://www.facebook.com/Awaken-Conference-NZ-1736867023227681/
Anyone wishing to donate towards Conference costs please speak to Susan.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 15TH -19TH NOVEMBER IN DUNEDIN

The Moderator Designate is sending out regular GA. You can find the update via this link: http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/sites/public files/10 Aug GA16 Update.pdf

St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society



Consistency's Curse!

Tuesday September 27, 12:15 - 1pm

Bernard Beckett



Precis: As a great admirer of modern science, and as a passionate agnostic, I have always struggled to define a personal philosophy that might provide a grounding for our expanding understanding of the physical world, while underpinning my reluctance to commit to particular cultural mythologies. Although at first blush the two appear to lead easily into some form of naturalism, I've never been convinced by this approach. My talk will be an attempt to outline my current position, with regard to both the

philosophy of science and those beliefs that sit necessarily beyond its influence. My tentative conclusion is one of what I shall call collective objectivism, and I will attempt to explore the relative merits and pitfalls of my evolving stance.

Bio: Bernard Beckett has been a high school teacher for the last twenty five years. During that time he has taught Mathematics, Economics, English, Media Studies, Philosophy and Drama.

He is the author of ten novels and a book of non-fiction, Falling for Science, which explored the relationship between science and story telling. He lives in Porirua with his wife, Clare, and his four year old boys, Alexander and Sebastian and with the birth of our third child, a delightful, albeit nocturnal, young chap by the name of Avery, our family is complete. I couldn't be happier.

A much more in-depth bio is available at https://bernardbeckett.wordpress.com/bio/

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
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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
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