St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

12 March 2017



Lent Two



Woodcut of the Transfiguration by Sister Mary Grace Thul, USA http://www.sistermarygrace.artspan.com/mbr_bio.php

"DEALING WITH THE SUPERNATURAL IN 2017"

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.

GATHERING

The Lenten journey continues

We walk with Jesus this path of danger and risk;

Along the way we are meeting with others

Those who walked the path with him as we do now

Jesus himself in desert conditions, dazzled disciples, an estranged Samaritan, a man born blind and his family, and two grieving sisters;

And then the usual Holy Week crowd;

A motley company of people much like us,

Different time and place, but our common humanity the same.

All are welcome as we walk this Lenten path together

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

FFS 32 'God who sets us on a journey'

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God who sets us on a journey to discover, dream and grow, lead us as you led your people in the desert long ago; journey inward, journey outward, stir the spirit, stretch the mind, love for God and self and neighbour marks the way that Christ defined.

Exploration brings new insights, changes, choices we must face; give us wisdom in deciding, mindful always of your grace; should we stumble, lose our bearings, find it hard to know what's right,

we regain our true direction focused on the Jesus light.

End our longing for the old days, grant the vision that we lack – once we've started on this journey there can be no turning back; let us travel light, discarding excess baggage from our past, cherish only what's essential, choosing treasure that will last.

When we set up camp and settle to avoid love's risk and pain, you disturb complacent comfort, pull the tent pegs up again; keep us travelling in the knowledge you are always at our side; give us courage for the journey, Christ our goal and Christ our guide.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora.*

PRAYER

JESUS' PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Colma Froggatt

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

We send you to the Rainbow Room programme with Harriet 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!

HIOS 77 'In what strange land'

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In what strange land will I sing your song, O God, my God?
To what new code must my heart belong, O God, my God?
The boundaries shift as the lines delete, and the way back home is a tired beat: there are new directions to take my feet to follow you.

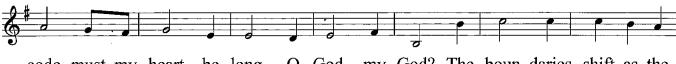
With what new eyes will I see your hand, O God, my God?
By what new chart will I understand, O God, my God?
The old worlds wither away and die; your new creation is like the sky, with new-found galaxies spinning by, which dazzle me.

You test my faith in a different sphere,
O God, my God.
You guide the cursor that brings me here,
O God, my God.
For childhood things keep me in the past,
remembered hymns that still hold me fast,
familiar words that were meant to last,
and sing along.

You put a new song into my mouth,
O God, my God.
You lift my spirit to touch your truth,
O God, my God;
you give me bread when I fear a stone,
you do not leave me to walk alone,
my heart will trust in your heart's unknown,
O God, my God!



In what strange land will I sing your song, O God, my God? To what new



code must my heart be-long, O God, my God? The boun-daries shift as the



lines de-lete, and the way back home is a tir - ed beat: there are new di-



THE WORD IN TEXTS

Margaret Rushbrook

Hebrew Bible Psalm 121

Gospel Matthew 17: 1-9

Contemporary reading

'A Sonnet for the feast of the Transfiguration'

from Sounding the Seasons by Malcolm Guite

For that one moment, 'in and out of time', on that one mountain where all moments meet, the daily veil that covers the sublime in darkling glass fell dazzled at his feet.

There were no angels full of eyes and wings just living glory full of truth and grace.

The Love that dances at the heart of things shone out upon us from a human face and to that light the light in us leaped up, we felt it quicken somewhere deep within,

a sudden blaze of long-extinguished hope trembled and tingled through the tender skin. Nor can this, this blackened sky, this darkened scar eclipse that glimpse of how things really are.

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION "Dealing with the supernatural in 2017" Susan Jones

HYMN 'When life is filled with logic: a hymn about Transfiguration'

Words: © 2017 Susan Jones. Tune: Woodlands WOV109

When life is filled with logic, reason fair scripture confronts us with a scene bizarre can we believe this moment is for real? can we believe, and preach with ready zeal?

Then we remember moments just like this; when, too, we tapped a vein into the depths, arrested then by glory breaking fair our hearts burst open with a 'knowing' clear.

Everyday things transfigured by great love bathed in the sunshine which seemed from above causing that love to dance within all things and joy inspired our rational minds to sing.

May we be helped to see with opened eyes right through the mundane, to a trusting wise even here now in our postmodern times may we allow light in us to arise.

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

We are given many gifts,

among them is the created world of this planet, which hangs like a blue teardrop in the inky blackness of space

Today in gratitude we bring back something of that gift some money for this church's work here and beyond these walls and some food for those who have little.

We bring also ourselves as grateful beings,

ready to do our part to save this planet

so its waters may always be blue and pure,

its forests green and lush and its creatures safe and 'here'.

May all our gifts be blessed and fruitful, *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, please move to the front row, ready to speak <u>briefly and clearly</u> from the lectern.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sandra Kirby

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Afghanistan and all those working towards peace in Afghanistan. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Louisa Wall & Meka Whaitiri and the people of their electorates of Manurewa and Ikaroa-Rawhiti. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Ahuriri/Putorino Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

FFS 57'Song of faith that sings forever'

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Song of faith that sings forever through God's people, ages long, Word that holds the world together when our hearts take up the song, always, always, somewhere sounding, though the source we do not see, counterpoint to all despairing, it is hope that sets the key.

Song of faith in exaltation, rising through the vaults of prayer, tune of simple celebration offered up in open air,

song in chapel and cathedral, descant to our daily tone, song from sickbed or in prison, faith must often sing alone.

And when life would overwhelm us, when there seems no song to sing, hear the constant voice of courage out of fear and suffering:
 all who've loved and trusted Jesus, all who lift us to be strong, endless, endless are the voices of the faith that makes the song.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Thank you to Judy Dumbleton

our musician today

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Words/music to new hymns and gathering statement, prayers and affirmations are original unless acknowledged. Today they were written by Susan Jones. These words can be used in other worship and small group situations without seeking permission. Please acknowledge the source.

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 Quay, 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	Frank and Nola Hanson
Sound	Bronwyn White
Offering	James Cone and Jon Schrader
Coffee/tea	Laura Hicks, Melissa Van Echten &
	Richard Keller
Time with the Children	Colma Froggatt
Readings	Margaret Rushbrook
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Rosemary Lawrence

On duty Sunday 19 March		
Welcoming	Brian & Lynette Burrell	
Sound	Jennifer Bush-Daumec	
Offering	Kath Kerr, Paul Barber	
Coffee/tea	Frank & Sue Cook, Janet Horncy	
Time with the Children	Susan Jones	
Readings	Mike Wespel-Rose	
Prayers of the People	Sonia Groes-Petrie	
Musician	Peter Franklin	
Rainbow Room Helper	Pam Fuller	
This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's		

Sunday 12 March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by congregational conversation all welcome.

Wednesday 15 March Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 15 March 12.30pm Lunchtime Concert Piano solos and duets| Fiona McCabe & Catherine Norton

Thursday 16 March 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 19 March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice meeting watching another in the Keeping it Pure DVD series

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

"HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THE LGBTI COMMUNITY"

Richard Tankersley, Human Rights Commissioner, **Thursday 16**th **March** 5.30pm-6.30pm Beginning in the Rainbow Room for refreshments and then moving to a larger space. Do support this. Help is needed to serve tea and coffee. Please contact Susan.

FAITH COMMUNITIES UNITED IN LOVE: OUT IN THE PARK

Ellen Murray invites St Andrew's people to march with her (and Kezia and Jasper) in the interfaith Faith Communities United in Love contingent in the Pride Parade on **Saturday 18 March 11am**. Email <u>contact ellen@yahoo.com</u> for details about meeting up. Please also let Ellen know if you can support our inclusive kaupapa at the Out in the Park fair also on Saturday by baking goodies to give from our stall (\$ available for ingredients) or by helping out at the stall.

LENT AND EASTER - DON'T BLINK AND MISS IT!

Lent began with the 'Stardust' Ash Wednesday service, Mar 1st. Many blinked and missed! (Copies at the back of the church). Lent is a good time for a new habit/practice – what's yours? Lenten Gatherings (mostly led by Susan): **March 19**th Lent 3 "Jesus and a feisty woman" **March 26**th Lent 4 "Who is blind? Who can see?" **April 2**nd Lent 5 "Sisters Unite." **April 9**th Palm Sunday. **April 13**th Maundy Thursday 6pm "A Last Supper". **April 14**th Good Friday 10am (Trish McBride & team) "Stations of the Cross". **April 16**th Easter Sunday. Book in your diary now.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

St Andrew's is not mounting Lenten reflections this year. A booklet of poems for reflection are at the back of the church. I highly recommend the sessions led by Rev John Howell at Ngaio Union Church, cnr Crofton Rd & Kenya Streets. Tuesday nights 7.30 pm ... March 14, 21, 28 and Thursday mornings at 10.30 am ... March 16, 23, 30. Each focuses on a poem. **Week 2**, 'Faint Music' by Robert Haas, **Week 3** 'Easter 1984' by Les Murray, **Week 4** 'Poroporoaki to the Lord my God: weaving the Via Dolorosa' by Anahera Gildea, commentary Helen Rickerby Call John Howell, 479 7804 or Lionel Nunns, 938 0730 for information.

ST ANDREW'S PICNIC AT THE OTAKI BEACH KITE FESTIVAL 2017

Free event. Come fly with us at the annual Otaki Kite Festival just an hour's drive north of Wellington. **Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 March**, tide and wind dependent. **Carpooling to be organised for after Sunday 26 March service, contact Pat Booth on 385 4426. Bring a picnic lunch** and enjoy the spectacular sight of massive inflatable kites through to tiny, fluttering seagull kites as well as stage entertainment. Afterwards you are invited for coffee at the home of Pat and Graham Booth, always a nice place to be!

WORM FARM LIQUID FERTILIZER FOR SALE

Jon Schrader has fertilizer for sale at \$5 per 2 litre bottle (many report good results). Orders to Jon after the service on Sunday or call Ph 389 7082. Delivery and payment the following Sunday. Thank you.

KIA ORA DCM SUPPORTERS

Matthew Mawkes writes: "It has been a long time since we emailed with our Foodbank needs, and I'm happy to report that it's been mostly due to good levels of stock coming in and keeping us ticking over. Which is thanks to our wonderful supporters! But, with over two months to go until our next Foodbank Appeal, we are quite short of the following: Pasta/curry sauces, Tinned soups, Instant noodles, Tinned fish, Ready meals/stews, Disposable razors. Thank you."

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

MY KIDS VILLAGE PLEDGE ME CAMPAIGN

"The campaign is off the ground which is fantastic but I need to build some momentum to meet my target. For \$5 people will get a news update about how we've grown since the marketing we will put in place. For \$50 a person or an organisation can be an official sponsor on the site for 12 months.

For \$150 an organisation can run a three-week advertising campaign on our home page. I'm so grateful for the pledges so far!"

https://www.pledgeme.co.nz/projects/5049-my-kids-village-time-to-grow

FAITH SPOKEN, FAITH SUNG:

St Pauls Lutheran Church, 12 King Street, Mt Cook, Wellington meets to remember the Reformation. 2pm - 3.15 p.m. with hospitality till 4 p.m. The first event, 12 March, 2.00-4.00pm is: **Topic:** The Reformation Discovery – Reclaiming grace in a graceless world **Speaker**: Pastor Jim Pietsch, St Paul's Lutheran Church. **Organist:** Bishop Mark Whitfield. **Hymn** Dear Christians, one and all rejoice (Martin Luther). **Organ Works**: Chorale Prelude on Nun Freut Euch (Jan Bender) Prelude and Fugue in C Minor (J S Bach)

WELLINGTON PRIDE FESTIVAL

http://www.gayline.org.nz/wellington-pride-festival-2017 Wellington Pride Festival | Tū whakahīhī e Te Whanganui-a-Tara 2017 runs from 3-19 March 2017. In 2017 events spread over 17 days. The theme is 'Fantasy'. The Festival builds up to the Wellington Pride Parade and Out in the Park on Saturday 18 March 2017.

ST ANDREW'S IN THE PRIDE FESTIVAL

St Andrew's has asked for this invite to be in the programme:

St Andrew's on The Terrace is an open, inclusive and accepting church. Members of LGBTQI communities are welcome at our 10am Sunday Gatherings during Pride Festival and any time of the year. Gatherings last about 1-1.5 hours and are followed by brunch or morning tea (free and friendly!). Check the website: www.standrews.org.nz. Queries? Email Susan (minister) minister@standrews.org.nz

We have also hosted the Rainbow Room series on transgender and lgbt rights (see earlier in the notices) and see involvement of St Andrew's people below:

FAITH COMMUNITIES UNITED IN LOVE: OUT IN THE PARK

Join in the parade and help out at the stall at Wellington's main LGBTIQ event on **Saturday 18 March**. More details to come. Message Craig craygee@gmail.com if you can offer time to be on the stall. (See Ellen and Fionnaigh for more details)

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	Lynne Dovey
Parish Council Clerk	Colma Froggatt
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
Pastoral Convenors	Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell, Linda Wilkins and Maxine Cunningham
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Heather Macfarlane
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Harriet Dawson
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Facilities Assistant	Lillian Norman
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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