



ORDER OF SERVICE

28 May 2017

Easter 7

DEEP

'The Spirituality of Life: Life at the Depths of Me'

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. Printed copies of the reflection are available for use during the service if you have an extreme hearing issue or to pick up to take home after the Gathering is finished.

Please note your nearest fire exit.
The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened. In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

GATHERING

After Easter's change in direction, the Word is alive!

Spirituality shifts from darkness into a new and living day;

Following a Spirituality of Life we

trust in the Way we have been shown

trust in each other as community and in the One who leads us

The Word is Life, the Way is Life, Life is deep within us

let us look within and find the Life which is our Source.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Celebrate the life we're given'

Words: © Susan Jones 2015 Music: Austria WOV 577

Celebrate the Life we're given
Grace on grace, where love abounds
Celebrate the world around us
Blue and green, where birdsong sounds
Celebrate sun's rise and setting
'cross the harbour, over hills
Everything reflects its maker
On each vista, beauty thrills.

We choose to live lives of meaning even when the sky turns grey.
We choose to continue journeying
Taking brave steps, straight and gay.
We choose wrestling with doubt or danger,
Trials which shadow, haunt our way.
Every moment we're companioned,
Love walks with us, every day.

We companion others grieving
For their children, cruelly killed.
Hearts reach out in love and comfort
to homes where the laughter's stilled
May the love of friend and neighbour
Soothe the heart and nerve the soul;
May our world find good solutions,
Understanding self our goal.

Change takes us in new directions
Altering our daily view
Change of style and life and custom
Changing me and changing you
Still the God we know is constant
Though we find more that is true
Each day opens fresh horizons
Adds in truth that's overdue

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cameron Smart

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!

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Bronwyn White

The Epistle 1 Peter 4: 12-14 and 5: 6-11

Gospel John 17: 6-11

Contemporary reading from 'What we talk about when we talk about God: Finding a New Faith for the Twenty first Century'

By Rob Bell, Collins, London, 2013, pp 194-5

People often respond favourably to this shadow management because it's much, much easier than actually entering into the darkness....
But as we're more and more open to the ongoing work of God in the world, we become more and more present to our depths.

Remember, 96 percent of the universe is dark matter – a vibrant, pulsating source of energy for the universe. We don't transform our shadow side by denial but by entering into it, embracing it, facing it, and naming it because we believe God is with us and for us.

When we do this – name our fears and sins and failures and own up to them, describing them as clearly as we are able – we pass through them into the new life on the other side. We have faced the worst about ourselves and we have survived, making us strong in the only sense that actually matters. This is why resurrection is so central to the Jesus story: he faces the worst that can happen to a person, and comes out the other side alive in a new way. It is not a false strength we gain, a posing and posturing and pretending, but a quiet, humble, grounded strength that has done the hard work of facing our most troubling inner torments and then watching them be transformed into sources of vitality and life.

To be healthy and whole, then, will always lead us to become more and more fully present to our own depths, which include our shadow side as well as our deepest desires.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

'God we wonder where to find you'

This hymn is based on *Grounded: Finding God in the World--A Spiritual Revolution* by Diana Butler Bass (Harper One, 2015)

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God, we wonder where to find you; should we turn our eyes above? How can people understand you? Is your love a distant love? Do our songs rise up to heaven? Does that language still ring true? In this world of joy and suffering, God, we wonder: Where are you?

God, we wonder at our calling; is it only in the church? We may struggle with tradition; where are you, God, in our search? We are taught that you are gracious; can we find you in new ways? Could there be some brand new places where you challenge and amaze?

We are grounded in creation—in the water, dirt and sky, and we find the Spirit's presence as we hear creation's cry. For we see in life's beginning what is now and always true: We're at home in what you've given, called to care for earth for you.

We are grounded in our neighbours, in our loved ones, in our towns, And in daily, loving labours, where your signs of grace abound. Here in Christ we love each other, and we care for the oppressed; Spirit-filled, with one another, we are grounded! We are blessed!

God, we trust that you are with us, dwelling in the here and now. When we struggle to live fully, your compassion shows us how. As we work to bring your justice, as we seek your peaceful way, as we put our faith in practice, may we find you, God, today.

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REFLECTION

'Life at the Depth of Us'

Susan Jones

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

We are given much, even though we may feel we could have more.

In this country we are well gifted with goods and community and grace.

So we bring our money for the work of this community and food for those who need it. We bring also our hopes that each will be used well by those who use and distribute them.

May all our gifting help the world to be a better place for us all. So may it be. 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 **briefly** from the lectern.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the populations of Bahrain and Qatar and of Muslim people throughout the world. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name David Clendon and Barry Coates, List MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St John's Presbyterian Church and St Mark's Presbyterian Church, Hastings.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

AFFIRMATION

In weeks when terror strikes our most vulnerable places we wonder at a world gone mad; When others act in ways we do not understand we worry we will not find a way through

A lit candle does not seem enough to push back the darkness Do expressions of love pale against the flash of a bomb Even rainbows fade when the sun is obscured by hate

Yet, we stand with Love, move forward with courage and continue to seek justice.

We aim to budget for human flourishing, look for policies of compassion and mercy seeking governance with multiple bottom lines

So we can play our part, we look within to find the Source of all love and justice and to follow that Light through the darkness.

HYMN

'The year is ever turning'

Words: Susan Jones. Tune: Ewing WOV 346

The year is ever turning
Spring welcomes back the light
The heat of summer fades, then
In autumn birds take flight.
In winter, darkness closes.
And temp'ratures grow chill,
Yet warmth will always be ours,
For love is primary still.

Among New Zealand's foothills
Our hearts are overcome,
The stars and planets tell us
creating's never done;
Aurora (the Australis)
Streaks through the evening sky;
At this, like Spirit's myst'ry,
We question "How?" and "Why"?

In bright sunlight we wander
On hill and track and road;
Walking with one another
We carry each one's load;
The tussocks brush our ankles
The gradient tests our heart
The journey takes us onward
of cosmos, we are part.

CALL TO SERVICE

As a workman gathers his tools
As a poet gathers her images
As a musician gathers his band
As a scholar gathers her arguments

As a writer gathers his stories
As a preacher gathers her texts
So we are gathered to be sent out
in service to the world

Anon

BLESSING

SUNG 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	Heather Macfarlane & Judith Cowley	
Sound	Frank Cook	
Offering	Kath Karr & Paul Barber	
Coffee/tea	Caroline Glass, Janet Horncy & Frank Cook	
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart	
Readings	Bronwyn White	
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins	
Musician	Vivien Chiu	
Rainbow Room Helper	Rosemary Lawrence	

On duty Sunday 4 June	
Welcoming	Frank & Sue Cook
Sound	Bronwyn White
Communion	Jane Keller, Paul Barber, Alastair Harray, Heather
	Macfarlane
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Paul Satherley
Coffee/tea (Brunch set up)	Graham Howell, Peter Cowley, Sandra & Tony Kirby
Time with the Children	Susan Jones
Readings	Jennifer Bush-Daumec
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Linda Wilkins

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 28 May 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones.

Followed by Exploring the Faith study group, 11.45-1pm. All welcome.

Wednesday 31 May Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 31 May 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert | NZSM Piano Students

Thursday 1 June 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 4 June 10am Sunday Gathering with Communion led by Susan Jones

Followed by Congregational Brunch in the Hall. Please bring a plate of food to share.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

PENTECOST BEGINS!

June 4 is Pentecost Sunday. Please wear, if you can, clothes in flame colours like red, orange and yellow. (A touch of blue and purple also works!) The community brunch follows since June is an 'even' month. Please bring a generous plate of food to share and plan to stay.

HOLIDAY TIME IN THE OFFICE

Laetitia is away from **Monday 29 May**, returning **Wednesday 7 June**. Vivien is also on leave on **Friday 2 June** and **Sunday 4 June**. We'll continue to cover the Parish and Centre. Just take into account there may be only one here to help at certain times, so response times might be a little longer than usual. Thank you for your patience.

ST ANDREW'S ASKS YOU - WHAT KIND OF SOCIETY DO WE WANT?

On three occasions this election year St Andrew's will help present the issues to the general public. **Keep these dates free and invite others to these events held between 5.30 and 7pm. Monday July 10** Topic: Housing. Wellington Central MP Grant Robertson and other speakers. **Tuesday 15 August** Topic: Income Inequality in NZ. Speakers to be confirmed but probably Max Rashbrooke. **Thursday 31 August** we host political candidates for the Centre for Theology and Political Issues' series 'Keeping Faith in Politics'

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who helped to make Tea on The Terrace happen on Pink Shirt Day last Friday. Special thanks to Sue McRae. Also, Mani Mitchell, our excellent speaker on 'Trans 101' brought literature on transgender issues and vocabulary for Spirited Conversations on Tuesday night. Spare copies are at the back of the church.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

LUTHERAN- CATHOLIC COMMEMORATION OF THE REFORMATION

On **Sunday 4 June** the Lutheran and Catholic churches will gather to pray together in Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. This is a very significant event in the lives of our two churches and to mark this we invite you to a joint commemorative worship at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Hill St, Wellington. The joint commemorative worship will take place at the Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday 4 June. This will be followed by a light afternoon tea and an opportunity for socialising. We would very much appreciate your presence with us that day.

John A Cardinal Dew Archbishop of Wellington

Bishop Mark Whitfield Lutheran Church of New Zealand

LET US ENTERTAIN YOU

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BENEFITING

This concert begins the fundraising events for the restoration of the St Andrew's organ.

For your thoughts and notes			

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	Linda Wilkins and Maxine Cunningham Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell,
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Heather Macfarlane
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Harriet Dawson
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Facilities Assistant	Lillian Norman
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