



ORDER OF SERVICE

10 September 2017

Pentecost 14



Creation 2 – Land Sunday

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 usually 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 at the back of the church for people with extreme hearing loss. For others they can be picked up at the end of the Gathering.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

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

GATHERING

We invite the country to worship with us:

wild flowers and mysterious mushrooms, swirling grasses and golden wattle.

We join the land as it trembles before God:

with tremors and earthquakes, whirlwinds and volcanoes.

We invite the farmlands to sing with us:

wheat fields, orchards and vineyards, kauri, rimu, gardens and wetlands.

We join with all the fauna of the fields in praising God:

sheep and goats, cows and dogs, possums, hawks and magpies.

We invite the ground to stir deep below:

beetles and worms preparing our food.

We celebrate the song of the soil!

Sing, soil, sing!

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Adapted from Season of Creation worship resources www.seasonofcreation.com

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'All creatures of our God now sing'

Tune: WOV3 © Moon & Musky Music 2002.

All creatures of our God, let's sing! Lift up your voice and let it ring, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam! O praise God! O praise God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along,
O praise God! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice! *Refrain*

Dear mother earth, who day by day Unfoldest blessings on our way, O praise God! Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, Let them God's glory also show. *Refrain*

Let all things their creator bless, And worship God in humbleness, O praise God! Alleluia! Praise the Creator and the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One! *Refrain*

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. Kia ora.

PRAYER OF LAMENT AND CONFESSION

We lament and confess that we have become alienated from Earth clearing much of the life from the land in our garden planet.

We are sorry.

We have killed living soils with excessive chemicals.

We have turned fertile fields into lifeless salt plains.

We have cleared rich lands of wild life.

We have swallowed Earth's resources in selfish cities.

We are sorry.

We are sorry. We are sorry.

ASSURANCE

Your confessions are heard and your sins against the land are forgiven *May we learn to love Earth and return to Earth as our home.*

I invite you to come home to Earth by rejoicing in the land.

Shalom! Shalom! We are coming home!

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A WORLD PRAYER

We are birthed from energy and stardust flung into the world with all the 'glory of the power that is love.'

May we creatively furnish the world with grace and love, beauty and justice.

May our actions together provide what the world needs. May we share with others what we have produced so all can grow and flourish.

May the knots which bind us be unravelled, as we release ourselves and others from the tangle of past mistakes.

May we remain true to purpose, alert to the all the possibilities of such a time as this. In all we do, may faith, hope and love abide, with the greatest of these being love.

So may it be AMEN

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Ellen Murray

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!

INTRODUCTION Susan Jones

THE WORD IN TEXTS Pat Booth

Hebrew Bible Deuteronomy 34: 1-5

Gospel Matthew 4: 1-11

Contemporary Reading

The Earth Bible Principles

By Norman Habel & the Earth Bible Team

The Earth Bible principles were developed largely by the Earth Bible Team in Adelaide in consultation with writers in Ecology. They are worded in such a way to facilitate dialogue between biblical scholars and ecologists. The articles in The Earth Bible reflect ways in which various scholars seek to read the text from the perspective of Earth, taking into account one or more of these principles...

1. The Principle of Intrinsic Worth

The universe, the Earth and all its components have intrinsic worth/value.

2. The Principle of Inter-connectedness

The Earth is a community of inter-connected living things which are mutually dependent on each other for life and survival.

3. The Principle of Voice

The Earth is a living entity capable of raising its voice in celebration and against injustice.

4. The Principle of Purpose

The universe, the Earth and all its components are part of a dynamic cosmic design within which each piece has a place in the overall goal of that design.

5. The Principle of Mutual Custodianship

The Earth is a balanced and diverse domain where responsible custodians can function as partners with, rather than rulers over, the Earth to sustain its balance and diversity.

6. Principle of Resistance

The Earth and its components not only suffer from injustices at the hands of humans, but actively resist them in the struggle for justice.

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

'Sustaining our soils'

Sonia Groes-Petrie

VISUAL REFLECTION

HYMN

In our world we find delight

Words Susan Jones vss1, 3 © 2016, v 2, © 2017) Music © 2016 Vivien Chiu

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.

Land provides our standing place, hills through which the rivers trace, give us space to be; Ground which holds us, gives us base, needs our care, through all our days so it will survive

May this place continue standing May this earth continue holding May our feet be ever grounded Held in divine compassion

It's a mystery who made this evolution, hand-made care multiple ideas.
But it's not a mystery who
Needs to care for green and blue We have all been charged
To make sure this never ends
That this beauty does remain here
That the human race takes notice
And shows divine compassion

A STATEMENT ABOUT LAND AND ABOUT US

Land is turangawaewae, a standing place where we yearn that all will know dignity and be free

Land is active beneath our feet, a living creature of browns and greens and greys, the result of centuries of Earth's moving and shaping.

Healthy, growing land harbours other living creatures worming and creeping through soil and under rock and crevices smaller than the eye can see.

We may try to possess the Land but it moves and wriggles, flows and erodes, cracks and weathers, quakes and subsides; belonging, ultimately, to none of us though we might buy and lease, farm it and build on it, move it and mine it.

Land is this planet's skin. May we work to ensure it always breathes clean air and is washed with clean waters, so it can be forever well.

May we be content in our own skin, may we breathe in the breath of God, be washed in the Spirit and stand together forever in Love.

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

In this land we are blessed with beauty and produce, space and a geography that brings delight and harmony to the spirit. In gratitude we bring money to continue the work of this community and food for those who need it more than we. May each bring blessing in their turn.

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 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

Sue McRae

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Cambodia and Christian World Service Partner Church World Service Cambodia and their work with communities to deliver food security, health services, savings and credit schemes, and training of volunteers to provide village services. In New Zealand, we remember those who work this election season as candidates, members of all political parties and all voters. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Milson Combined Church and St Alban's Presbyterian Church, Palmerston North.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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HYMN

AA 26 'Come to our land'

Words: © Shirley Murray Music © Colin Gibson

Come to our land, come to our hearts,
Spirit of peace, Spirit of truth,
bring in the spring, the hope and the green,
Spirit of growth and Spirit of youth.

And all our people will sing together:
Wairua Tapu, holy your name,
there's one great Spirit in all creation,
one great Spirit of God!

Come to our land, come to our hearts, Spirit of life, breath of new birth, teach us to care for water and air, nourish the seed and cherish the earth. *Refrain*

Come to our land, come to our hearts, Spirit of bush, Spirit of bird, speak to the soul of Aotearoa joy in your world and joy in your Word. *Refrain*

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 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	Frank & Nola Hanson
Sound	Paul Satherley
Offering	Paul Barber, Russell Feist
Coffee/tea	Katrina Harper, Richard Keller, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Sue McRae
Musician	Vivien Chiu
Rainbow Room Helper	Ellen Murray

On duty Sunday 17 September		
Welcoming	Brian & Lynette Burrell	
Sound	Peter Cowley	
Offering	James Cone, John Morgan	
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Pam Fuller, Roger Jones	
Time with the Children	Jennifer Bush-Daumec	
Readings	Jim Cunningham	
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart	
Musician	Peter Franklin	
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah	

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 10 September 10am Sunday Gathering, Land Sunday, led by Susan Jones with

Sonia Groes-Petrie. Followed by congregational conversation

Wednesday 13 September Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 13 September 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert | NZSM Celli

Thursday 14 September 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 17 September 10am Sunday Gathering, led by Susan Jones with Kevin Hackwell from Forest & Bird as speaker. Followed by Social Justice meeting with a Peace Theme.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

ST ANDREW'S GARDEN

It's almost time for us to begin planting for another growing season in our little garden at the rear of the car park area. We will meet after morning tea today **(10 September)** in the hall/kitchen area to discuss what we would like to grow & when we'll have our next working bee. Anyone keen to join us are very welcome. Please contact Sonia Ph 027 4051302 or email soniapetrie@gmail.com if you can't come to this meeting but would like to be involved.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

This group will meet after the Sunday Gathering on Sunday 17 September around a Peace Theme.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLEASE BE AWARE

The health and safety of everyone in our community is important. It is good that lots of people remain after the Gathering for morning tea. Here we have a lively mixture of hot drinks, elderly people, children and a number of people in a small space. Please watch for children. We have supplied areas to sit and enjoy your conversation. Please feel

free to move chairs in the last couple of rows to make more room. 'All" are welcome, let's keep 'all' safe! Susan

SPIRITED CONVERSATIONS

Tuesday 19 September from 6.15pm in Conference Room 1 & 2 of the St Andrew's Centre. Please RSVP via the blue plastic folder at the back of the church.

Speaker Trish Harris. A circular journey—Body and Soul

In The Walking Stick Tree, Trish Harris's memoir, she tells the story of growing up and living with acute arthritis. Threaded through this is Trish's Catholic upbringing and the

need in her adult years to find a spirituality that helped her connect with her body in a life-giving way. Using examples from her life and others' writings, Trish will talk about justice, spirituality, disability and the dangers of inspiration. If there's time she'll show some pics from her travels in her motorised wheelchair on the Otago Rail Trail with friends a few years ago—a pilgrimage of sorts! This photo is a sneak peek....



Bio: Trish is an active member of the New Zealand Disability, Spirituality and Faith Network. In 2014 she co-ordinated the production of a key disability resource for faith communities called the Creating Welcoming Churches. As well as being a writer, in recent years Trish trained as a spiritual director. Trish's second book is being launched in mid-October. My Wide White Bed is a collection of poems that began during an extended stay in an orthopaedic ward. Poet and GP Glenn Colquhoun says of it: '...It shows how crucial imagination is to being well...'

CHRISTMAS BAKING ORDERS

Maxine Cunningham writes; there are order forms and photographs for 3 sizes of Christmas Cakes (\$12, \$25, \$42), 2 kinds of shortbread (plain and Christmas cardamom - \$5 for 6) and Gingerbread at the back of the church. Some gluten free cakes - small \$12 and some special orders could be quoted for. Margaret Pannett and Rosemary Lawrence will be able to help you as I will be away until 1 October. If you are also away in the next few Sundays email Maxine Cunningham at jimax117@gmail.com with your order.

DCM FOOD BANK COLLECTION

DCM are urgently needed help at the moment. They are running very low on the following items: Canned fish (tuna, salmon, sardines etc), canned fruit (peaches, pineapple, pears etc), toilet paper.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

THE BOULCOTT SEMINAR AT WELLINGTON CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

We're excited this year's seminar speaker is Sara Miles. Sara, www.saramiles.net, is author of Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion; Jesus Freak: Feeding Healing Raising the Dead, and City of God: Faith in the Streets. Wellington Central Baptist Church on Saturday 23 September (yes, election day- cast your vote then come!) 10-4pm. Online registration: www.central.org.nz/the-boulcott-seminar/

WELLINGTON HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY TRUST NEEDS A SECRETARY

The Wellington Hospital Chaplaincy Trust was founded some 12 years ago to support chaplains in our Wellington Hospitals at Newtown and Kenepuru and Porirua. They are seeking a person not only to be Secretary but in addition to the usual secretarial functions of meetings, minutes and correspondence etc. we want someone who will search out interesting stories and news and update our website with this valuable information supporting the great services which the chaplains carry out. If you are interested in this role and position please contact Barrie Keenan, the chair of the Trust by phoning 04 476 7059 or 027 285 7275 or by email to barrie@keenan.co.nz

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

Racial discrimination: UN Committee recommendations on New Zealand Concluding observations of the committee on the elimination of racial discrimination 29 August 2017. Links to this update, on Facebook and in pdf format, www.converge.org.nz/pma/cerd.htm

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



August - November - The Courage to Act

Tuesday September 12, 12:15 - 1pm

The courageous society and personal courage: Speaking truth to power and acting truthfully to yourself

Paul Gibson, recent Disability Rights Commissioner

Precis: Throughout my life as a disabled person, and in particular when I was Disability Rights Commissioner, I was privileged to hear the courageously shared stories, celebrations, and challenges of many disabled and otherwise marginilised people.

When taking these experiences to a strategic level, there was empathy, but not the corresponding level of courage from decision makers to act and courageously build a fairer, more inclusive society. I will share some personal reflections, and attempt to emulate the courage of the story tellers who have inspired me.

Bio: Paul Gibson was the Disability Rights Commissioner for the Human Rights

Commission from 2011-2017. He is a former president of the Disabled People's Assembly and was involved in the development of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (CRPD).

Paul is partially blind and uses Braille and assistive technology. He has 20 years of experience in the health and disability sector including working for Capital Coast District Health Board as a senior disability advisor.

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	Colma Froggatt
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jess McKnight
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
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