

St Andrew's on The Terrace

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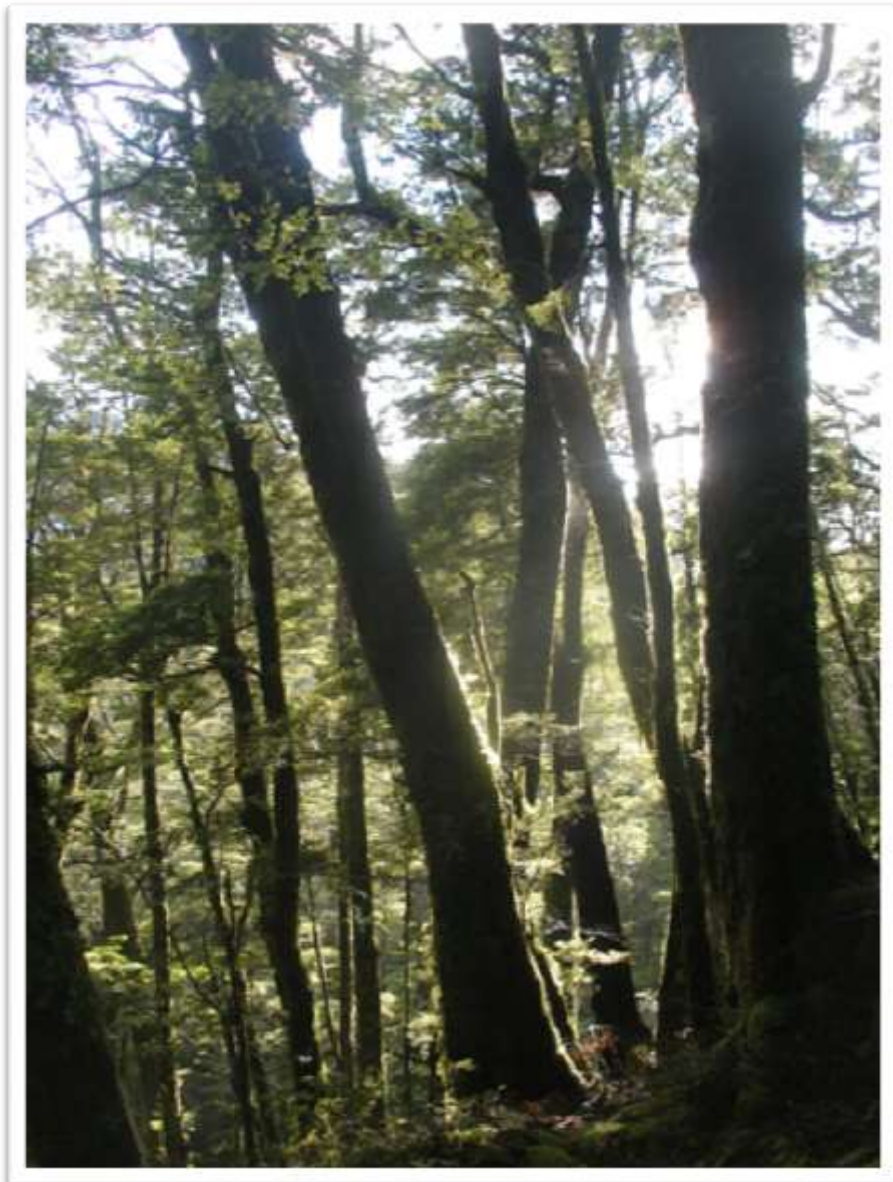
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ORDER OF SERVICE

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Season of Creation Forest



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

We gather to celebrate all that is of great worth to us.

We acknowledge that honesty and truth are of great worth to our minds.

Let us celebrate honest thinking and the pursuit of truth.

We acknowledge that beauty is of great worth to our eyes and ears.

Let us rejoice in the presence of beauty wherever we find it.

We acknowledge that love is of great worth to our hearts.

Let us celebrate the wonder of loving and being loved.

But of greatest worth to us all is simply life itself.

Let us celebrate the mystery of life in all of its diversity.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Words: Helen Wiltshire. Tune: WOV 509 Morning Light

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Dawn heralds this day's journey;
light floods the earth with gold;
we feast on morning's freshness
as peace our world enfolds.
Earth offers us her beauty;
bright blue the sky and sea;
we pause in silent wonder,
at one with all we see.

Trees reach into the sunlight;
bright dewdrops on their leaves;
we wait in joy or sorrow
as life her pattern weaves.
Wind dances in the valleys;
flight takes the birds to air;
we hold these fleeting moments
as signs of sacred care.

Clouds move across the heavens;
light breaks within the storm;
we bless the rain of winter
as night again is born. Dusk calls the world to slumber;
night draws the Milky Way;
we rest in sacred spaces,
as darkness ends the day.

Creation in completeness,
vitality and grace;
gives warmth and hope and meaning
to all the human race.
Life shares with us her treasures;
our hearts and minds aware;
we give our thanks for living,
as joyful life we share.

OPENING RESPONSES:

In the name of the Creator, the fountain of life,
the name of Christ, the pulse of life,
and the name of the Spirit, the breath of life.

Earth is filled with God's presence.

We come into the presence of the sacred today
to celebrate in this sanctuary called Earth,

***A planet filled with your presence,
quivering in the forests,
vibrating in the land,
pulsating in the wilderness,
shimmering in the rivers.***

Together this day, let us sense
the face of God in all creation

Earth is filled with God's presence.

WELCOME

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

Kia ora.

PRAYER

We live in an awe-inspiring universe.

The earth on which we live has been kind to us.

May we grow in insight and understanding

So that we see our place in the Web of Life.

May we grow in wisdom and gratitude

So that we may acknowledge ourselves to be creatures of the earth.

May it continue to provide us with pure air, clean water and good soil,

So that we may enjoy the life it has given us.

May it continue to provide us with our daily bread

So that we, in turn, may care for the earth.

We acknowledge our past carelessness and lack of gratitude.

With genuine sorrow we confess our greed and wastefulness.

We promise to abide by what the earth requires of us

Which is to share its bounty and avoid waste.

We promise to be caring and thoughtful of others

And not trample over or ignore those weaker than we are.

We promise to live at peace with all people

And treat humans of all nations as members of one family.

We promise to treat all of earth's creatures compassionately

And thus acknowledge the unity of all creation.

Let us all help one another so to do!

JESUS PRAYER

Miriam Therese Winter

Our Mother, who is within us,

we celebrate your many names.

Your wisdom come, your will be done,

unfolding from the depths within us.

Each day you give us all that we need.

You remind us of our limits and we let go.

You support us in our power and we act with courage.

For you are the empowerment within us,

the dwelling place around us,

and the celebration among us.

Now and forever. Amen

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

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

God bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

WORD IN TEXTS

Sandra Kirby

Contemporary Reading

Creation Accounts in Genesis by Miriam Therese Winter
(inspired by the Hebrew Scriptures)

RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture and story
for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us,

We give thanks.

REFLECTIONS

Kevin Hackwell

HYMN

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God of the galaxies spinning in space,
God of the smallest seed, our living source,
yours is the gift of this beautiful place.
Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.

Careless and covetous, gross are our greeds,
taking the riches the garden provides,
wasting its goodness, forgetting its needs.
Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.

Forests and rivers are ravaged and die,
raped is the land till it bleeds in its clay,
silenced the birdsong and plundered the sea.
Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.

Let there be beauty, and let there be air
fragrant with peace, never poisoned with fear,
freed from the plagues of pollution and war.
Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.

Life is a holy thing, life is a whole,
linking each creature and blessing us all,
making connections of body and soul.
Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.

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.

OFFERING

We are part of the earth, sharing with all life both riches and needs.

***As we acknowledge our place in this web of life,
And the constant interdependent flow of energy,
May our giving contribute to ease the needs of others.
And may our own needs be eased by the gifts of others
And our willingness to receive.***

Amen.

We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given to support the mission of the church through automatic payments.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mike Wespel-Rose

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Central African Republic and the Congo, and the Ecumenical Council of Christian Churches of Congo. We pray for all those who have been elected to serve in our government, and for those who are experiencing disappointment that they were not successful. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of the Quakers – Religious Society of Friends, Mt Victoria.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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TIME WITH THE ADULTS

HYMN

Words: Bill Wallace. Tune: WOV 77 Lucerna Laudioniae

May the sap flow in our hearts
Like the greening of the earth:
May our liveliness untold
Like the joyful spring time's birth,
For these powers lie in our hearts
And wait to be released.

May the waters of our love
Nurture joy in arid lives;
May the fire within consume
All injustice, hate and lies,
For these powers lie in our hearts
And wait to be released.

May life's unity in Christ
Be the rhythm of our days:
May our dancing spirits song
Be God's universe of praise,
For these powers lie in our hearts
And wait to be released.

May these dreams be born in us,
Taking flesh in all our ways
And the rainbow love of God
Fill our hearts with constant praise,
For these powers lie within our hearts
And wait to be released.

BLESSING AND SUNG AMEN

Go forth and share in the recreating of the world.
Go in faith to be the people of the new creation.
May the sun warm your soul
and the moon be gentle above you.
May the Creator hold you by the hand
and the Christ walk in your footsteps.
May the Spirit dance in your playing
and grace be found in your way.

SUNG AMEN

Thanks to Margaret Ogilvie our pianist this morning.

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 "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 Quay, 02-0534-0004022-02

On duty This Sunday	
Welcoming	Lynette & Brian Burrell
Sound	Frank Cook
Time with the Adults	
Reader	Sandra Kirby
Offering	Graham Howell, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Prayers of the People	Mike Wespel-Rose
Morning Tea	Jon Schrader, Douglas Wood, Pam Fuller
Rainbow Room Assistant	Colma Froggatt
Musician	Margaret Ogilvie

On duty Sunday September 28	
Welcoming	David & Pauline Patchett
Sound	Peter Cowley
Time with the Children	Dawn Cowdry
Reader	Bronwyn White
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Jon Schrader
Prayers of the People	Duncan Graham
Morning tea	Maxine Cunningham, Fiona McDougal, Graham Howell
Rainbow Room Assistant	Dawn Cowdry
Musician	Jane Keller

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 21 September 10am Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham

11.30am Social Justice. Kevin Hackwell will give a presentation

2.30pm Wellington Chamber Orchestra concert

Wednesday 24 September 12.15pm Lunchtime concert *Voices of the NZSM*

Sunday 28 September 10am Sunday gathering led by Jim Cunningham

3pm Wellington Chamber Music Trust concert *Ludwig Treviranus*

SOCIAL JUSTICE TO FOLLOW THIS SERVICE

Kevin Hackwell will be speaking at our service this morning. Kevin was Co-Director of ICM – now DCM – for seven years 1996-2003. Since 2003 he has been Advocacy Manager at Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society. Kevin is a great speaker. He will also be speaking and showing a power point presentation at 11.30am on Sunday in Conference Room 3 upstairs. A time to listen and also to discuss and ask questions.

HANDMADE HEAVEN RESULTS AND PHOTOS

Congratulations to the team who organised and ran the Handmade Heaven+Spring Fair on 6 September. \$1260.30 has been raised for Saving **St Andrew's**. A hearty well done!!!!



CHANGE OF DATE

ST ANDREW'S MOVIE FUNDRAISER | MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 6PM,

Venue: Light House Cuba, 29 Wiggins St, Te Aro

The movie theatre have advised that it is not possible to see the movie before the release date of 15 October.

The movie is called ***Pride** starring Bill Nighy*, and is set in 1984 during the Miners' strike in Thatcher's UK. A group of GLBT activists want to raise money for miner's families. The conservative (small-c)) National Miners Union are reluctant to be publicly linked to such a group, but not to be deterred they travel to a Welsh village. To watch the trailer, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vsFY0wHpR5o>
Interested? Contact Graham Howell graham_hwill@yahoo.co.nz Tickets \$20

BLUE FORM CLARIFICATION

The current St Andrew's E-news contains some information about formal membership at St Andrew's on the Terrace.

If you are unsure of your current status please talk to Maxine or Colma.

We have recently discovered that several people thought they were members but are currently listed differently.

The categories are: member, associate member and wider community

Some folk receive the "E-news" but are not listed on the parish roll at all. This means that their email address is the only means of making contact which is also fine.

Please let us know if you need further information or would like to change your status in any way.

The blue forms are kept at the back of the church and may also be used to notify us of any change of contact details. These details may be marked as "confidential" if you so wish.

GAELFORCE | SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 3PM

Manawatu Scottish and **Scots College Pipe Bands** are proud to present GAELFORCE, an afternoon of Pipe Band entertainment from world class and aspiring musicians with special guests. It is a fundraising concert for Pipe Band uniforms. Sunday 28 September : 3pm : Scots College Hall, Monorgan Road.

TICKETS: Adults \$10: Students \$5: FAMILY (2 Adults & 2 students) \$20

Book tickets online at www.scotscollege.school.nz or call Ana Frka 8025574, if you have any question. *Concerts like this are rare, so please come along and support us.*

ASSEMBLY WEEK

Excitement about Assembly Week is building. Highlights from the latest update (on the back noticeboard) include:

- The Assembly Week Prayer Resource is available for download from 3 October.
- We are encouraged to welcome those we don't know at Assembly Week.
- Introduction to Assembly's international guests.
- The Moderator-designate shares some observations from his recent opinion poll.

The SATRS Dialogues

ARE WE MIS-READING ISLAM?

**Dr. Zainal Abidin Bagir
In Conversation with Noel Cheer**

**St Andrew's on The Terrace,
Tuesday 14 October, 12:15pm – 1pm**

The West is not well-served by its news media when it sees Islam only as war-mongering, fanatical and dangerous. Certainly there are Muslims as individuals and as groups who fit these categories, but we can also point to Christians, Buddhists, Hindus – and atheists.



In an attempt to offer a balanced view, we have invited Dr. Zainal Abidin Bagir, the director of the Center for Religious and Cross-cultural Studies at Gadjah Mada University in Indonesia to discuss this subject. Dr. Bagir is presently a Visiting Lecturer at Victoria University of Wellington, teaching "Islam in the Contemporary World" in the Religious Studies Department.

The interviewer, Noel Cheer, is a long-term member of the Board of The St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society with experience in television interviewing.

For enquiries about this event call him on 0274 483 805.

Entry free – donation welcomed.

*"SATRS" is the St Andrew's Trust for
the Study of Religion and Society at www.satrs.org.nz*

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

Interim Minister	Jim Cunningham
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Presbytery Representative	Sandra Kirby
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