St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

15 November 2015



Pentecost 25



Where do we find love and compassion of divine order in a Temple or a teacher?
in an institution or in a community?
in ordered Christendom or postmodern chaos?

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.

AA is the NZ hymnbook Alleluia Aotearoa. 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

Buildings of all sorts have housed our worship for centuries *Chapels, cathedrals, churches*

We too build a community of faith

Through closeness, common ideals, commitment

That community stretches beyond walls and over boundaries

People of faith drink from one source but inhabit the planetLet us celebrate the worthiness of the call to us today

The call we like to think of as God's word for this time, The call to authenticity.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'And did those feet in former times'

Words: Susan Jones © 2000; this version 2014 Tune: Jerusalem CH4 106

And did those feet in former times walk upon scree and tussock brown and did the man, Jesus the Christ cross mountains high and rolling downs? and did he know the morning mist? and did he know the harbour's sheen? and did he love this cityscape its terraced streets, the urban scene?

And does he still walk this our land, talking and laughing with us yet?
And does he know that stab of need when all our other friends forget?
And is he there when wine is poured?
And is he there when bread's prepared?
And does he laugh when life's alright?
And does he weep when it is not?

Be with us Christ, as we step out.
Come with us on our lifelong quest.
Be our true guide, on our right hand, be with us, walking and at rest.
So we will know life to the full, be there to see us through the night.
For we would be your followers pursue your Way with all our might.

OPENING RESPONSES (please remain standing)

Leader: May our world be built on the God within **Response: The Source and Creativity of Life**

Leader: May our journey be the Way Jesus showed us

Response: Companion and Guide on the path

Leader: May our hearts be enlivened by spirit and energy Response: Comforter, Sustainer and source of power

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. *Kia ora*.

REFLECTIVE HYMN

'Let us reach down deep inside us'

Words: Susan Jones © 2015 Gaelic Traditional Melody arr John Bell FFS 10(i)

(sung with a space 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. (Silence)

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

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

God 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

Annemarie Treadwell

Hebrew Bible 1 Samuel 1:4-20

Gospel Mark 13:1-8

Contemporary reading

From Letters and Papers from Prison, pp 279, 282 by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

What is bothering me incessantly is the question of what Christianity really is, or indeed who Christ really is, for us today. The time when people could be told everything by means of words, whether theological or pious, is over, and so is the time of inwardness and conscience—and that means the time of religion in general. We are moving towards a completely religionless time; people as they are now simply cannot be religious anymore.

Even those who honestly describe themselves as "religious" do not in the least act up to it, and so they presumably mean something quite different

by "religious"...How this religionless Christianity looks, what form it takes, is something that I'm thinking about a great deal...

RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us, we give thanks

HYMN

AA72 'In this familiar place'

Words and music: Colin Gibson © 1994 Hope Publishing Company

In this familiar place

I know the mystery of your grace.

Refrain:

For the love that I receive, for the truth that I believe, I praise and thank you; for this here and now.

In halting song and word the music of your voice is heard *Refrain*

Among these friends of mine I taste the company divine.

Refrain

Within this narrow sphere
I learn that you are everywhere.
Refrain

REFLECTION

'How to sing... in a strange land'

Susan Jones

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

'A New Creed' Uniting Church of Canada Last updated: 2010/06/21. Created: 2003/01/05

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

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

Fiona McDougal

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Laos and the Buddhist people in Laos and throughout the world. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Scott Simpson and Nick Smith and the people of their electorates of Coromandel and Nelson. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of St Ronan's Presbyterian Church, Eastbourne.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

TIME WITH THE ADULTS

'The church needs a foundation'

HYMN

Words: Susan Jones © 2015. Tune: Aurelia CH4 739

The church needs a foundation
Though not of brick or stone
For buildings are but shelter
From rain or hailstorm.
They symbolise commitment
They resonate with praise
But humans form the true church
In these postmodern days.

Through Christendom's great worship
The rafters have been wrung,
We've gazed at stained glass windows,
Made sure the brass has shone.
We've consecrated, maintained
We've renovated but
Religion's modern rituals
Are those postmoderns cut.

God's commonwealth of spirit
Is not built out of wood
But by our follow'ng Jesus
with praxis that is good.
Transforming, 'church' emerges
In fresh expressions, new,
With talk and acts of justice,
Compassion which is true.

In our time we now follow
Jesus upon the Way,
On terms for us authentic,
And honest for this day.
We see our 'church' re-forming,
the Spirit helps it grow;
We see again a future
Where faith will always flow.

SENDING OUT AFFIRMATION

We are the church: woman, man, trans, straight and gay, child, adolescent, older, younger. We are the church: We are enough for this time to do the divine work required of us.

We are the church in this place: now we go out of this building to be the church in our world.

SUNG BLESSING

AA 95 'May the Mystery of God enfold us.'

Words © Joy Cowley Music: Ian Render

May the mystery of God enfold us, may the wisdom of God uphold us may the fragrance of God be around us, may the brightness of God surround us, may the wonder of God renew us, may the loving of God flow through us, may the peace of God deeply move us, may the moving of God bring us peace.

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Voluntary by Jeremiah Clarke (1674 – 1707)

THANK YOU

Peter Franklin

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 a blue "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 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	Brian Burrell, Judith Cowley
Sound	Paul Satherley
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Joan Tyler
Coffee/tea	Jennifer Bush-Daumec, Sonia Groes-Petrie,
	James Cone
Time with the Adults	
Readings	Annemarie Treadwell
Prayers of the People	Fiona McDougal
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	No Rainbow Room (activities at back of Church)

On duty Sunday 22 November	
Welcoming	Frank & Nola Hanson
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Paul Satherley, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy & 2 further volunteers required
Time with the Children	Jenny Simpson
Readings	Heather Macfarlane
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Rosemary Collier
Rainbow Room Helper	No Rainbow Room (activities at bank of Church)

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 15 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice meeting in Conference Room 1

2.30pm The Wellington Male Voice Choir in the Church.

Wednesday 18 November Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 18 November 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Paul Rosoman | Organ music

Thursday 19 November 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre led by Diane Gilliam-Weeks

Sunday 22 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Living the Questions study session 11.45-12.45pm

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

EXPLORING THE FAITH - LIVING THE QUESTIONS

This made a good start last Sunday. The topic on the **22**nd **November** will be Incarnation. Notes are available for collection today.

HE NAMED ME MALALA

It is suggested that a group might like to see this inspirational documentary after Church and lunch on **Sunday 22nd November** at one of The Lighthouse Cinemas. Phone Rowena 476 0600 with an expression of interest for a possible booking.

CENTERING PRAYER

Centering Prayer is available on Thursdays at 12.30pm in the St Andrew's Centre.

WELLINGTON PEOPLE'S CLIMATE MARCH: SAT 28TH NOV, 1-3PM

A Message from Sonia Groes-Petrie: Come along and meet in Civic Square and march together to Parliament. Marches are being held across the world on the weekend before the Paris climate talks to show our world leaders we want positive climate action now! If you are interested in coming or already planning to come and would like to be part of a St Andrew's on The Terrace group at this event please speak to Sonia after the service or email soniapetrie@gmail.com

LAST WEEK FOR THINKING AHEAD: ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER - FEBRUARY

Rosemary and I will be preparing the next roster for December through to the end of February this coming week. So if you have not done so yet, please let the office know what your availability is likely to be for this period as soon as possible. Please email office@standrews.org.nz Thank you. Karyn.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

THE WELLINGTON MALE VOICE CHOIR

Performing at St Andrew's on The Terrace at 2.30pm on Sunday 15th November. Featuring music from Musicals, opera and more, a variety programme for your enjoyment. Conducted by Bruce Cash and accompanied by Shona Murray. Door sales available, \$25 per person.

WELLINGTON ART EXHIBITIONS

Places of worship across Wellington are featured in an art exhibition running from **17th-23rd November**, including an image of our own St Andrew's on The Terrace church building. At re.SPACE Gallery, 176 Victoria Street, Te Aro. All are welcome to the opening, 5.30-7.30pm on **Tuesday 17th November** at re.SPACE, and to visit the exhibition in the week following.

"PEACE, NOT WAR, SHALL BE OUR BOAST"

HISTORICAL, THEOLOGICAL AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON PEACE AND CHRISTIANITY IN NEW ZEALAND

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON, 18-20 NOVEMBER 2015

This conference will provide a forum for critical reflection on Christian contributions to peace and peace-making in New Zealand. It will provide an opportunity to evaluate Christian contributions historically, and to think theologically about the relationship of peace to Christianity. The conference aims to stimulate thinking about the character and significance of peace in the life and vision of New Zealand churches.

The Conference is being held in Wellington at St John's in the City, Presbyterian Church, cnr Willis and Dixon Sts. Registration will commence from 2.00pm Wednesday 18 November. The conference will conclude by 1pm Friday 20 November.

The Conference fees cover morning and afternoon teas, lunch on Thursday, and hire of the venue. Full registration: \$80 Unwaged/student: \$40 Please visit the website for further information and to register.

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/sacr/research/religious-studies/peace-conference-2015#arrangements

HIKOI FOR HOMES - WELLINGTON

The Wellington Child Poverty Action Group is supporting the CPAG Hikoi for Homes in Auckland by holding a similar event here in Wellington on **Saturday 21st November**. Meet at Cuba Street at 1pm and finish at Civic Square approx. 2.30pm. Walk will take approximately 1.5 hours. For further information visit the facebook page; https://www.facebook.com/events/773917729420555/

WHITE RIBBON DAY RUN

Show your support for respectful relationships and join the white ribbon day fun run at midday on **Wednesday 25**th **November** from Balance Street to Civic Square. For further information visit www.whiteribbon.org.nz or email contact@whiteribbon.org.nz

DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY MINISTRY FOODBANK

DCM's Foodbank has been exceptionally busy over the last few months.

Here are the items they're most in need of at the moment:

Tinned fish, instant noodles, ready-made meals or soups, biscuits or crackers, spreads of any kind (e.g. jam, peanut butter). Thanks for your help!

MUSICIANS FOR DCM

This is a musical event featuring some of Wellington's top musicians who are lining up to raise funds for DCM Wellington. To be held at the San Francisco Bath House, 171 Cuba Street on **Thursday 3rd December** at 8pm.

Musicians for DCM will feature Wellington favourites, such as Barnaby Weir (The Black Seeds), Eva Prowe, Ebony Lamb (Eb & Sparrow), Darren Watson and Wayne Mason. They will be backed up by The Hard Core Troubadours, a loose collective of well-known Wellington musicians, which will also present its own numbers.

Tickets are now on sale at Eventfinda:

http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2015/musicians-for-dcm/wellington Givealittle: Can't be there but still want to give? Please see our Givealittle page: https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/musicians4dcm

BLENHEIM175

Come to the "Kaiwharawhara Picnic" to celebrate Wellington's Scottish heritage on **Sunday 27th December** from 11am, free entry. Mark the 175th anniversary of the arrival of 200 Scottish emigrants on the barque *Blenheim* at Kaiwharawhara on 27 December 1840. Bring your picnic, wear your tartan, enjoy Scottish dancing and music, traditional children's games, and view the displays. For further information see the poster at church or email blenheim175@gmail.com

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
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Douglas Wood
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
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Office Assistant	Karyn Bishop
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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