# St Andrew's on The Terrace

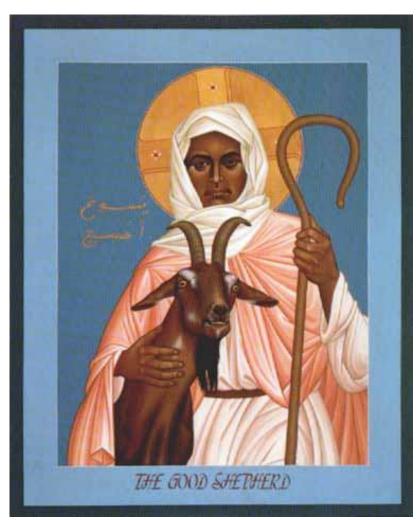
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# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

17 April 2016



# Easter 4



Icon by contemporary icon maker Robert Lentz OFM

"Forgiveness: What do we have to do to be good enough?"

#### 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**

What does goodness look like? What is goodness, and, correspondingly, what is 'badness'? How do we know? Who taught us about 'good' and 'bad'? Were they right?

Anyway, how much do we need to do to be 'good enough'? Good enough for what... or who? Who decides?

And if we don't 'do' enough 'goodness' who forgives? What's more, who is the forgiver and who is the forgiven?

Today as we gather, these are just some of the questions we might ask within the field of energy which we call God.

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

# 'Our delight is in the broadness'

Words: © Susan Jones. Music: Praise my Soul from WOV68

Our delight is in the broadness of the world dawn brings to sight; Harbour, beach and islands' structure, plain and hilltop, mountains' might; Thanks be giv'n for nature's beauty, celebrate each new day's light.

Our delight is in the living of each moment every day working, playing, walking, sleeping, being family, any way; Grace be giv'n for every minute, wisdom for each interplay.

Our delight is in the creatures sharing with us this our place, moths and birds with stunning markings, dolphins moving with sweet grace; Thanks be giv'n for all creation, celebrate each life, each space.

Our delight is in the loving of each other as we may; Searching, finding, liking, loving, talking, list'ning on the way; Thanks be giv'n for our affections, celebrate them night and day

## **WELCOME**

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

**PRAYER** 

**JESUS' PRAYER** 

Jim Cotter paraphrase 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

**Fiona McDougal** 

Gospel Matthew 25: 31-46

# **Contemporary reading**

from *The Bad Christian's Manifesto*By Dave Tomlinson pp192-194

...the reality is that there is a sheep and a goat in each one of us — there certainly is in me. Divine judgement has to be more sophisticated than simply telling the Ronnie Biggs of this world to stand on one side, and churchgoing Christians to stand on the other.

I love the work of Robert Lentz, the Franciscan icon painter, whose icons include images of unconventional saints like Albert Einstein, Black Elk, Steve Biko and Harvey Milk. When Lentz was commissioned to paint an icon of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, he agreed, with the proviso that there would be no cute woolly lambs anywhere near him.

The Good Shepherd is about sinners, the people we push to the margins, Robert Lentz says, 'the ones we want to forget or even destroy. He is about addicts and sex-offenders and shysters and punks. If I am going to paint the Good Shepherd, he is going to be holding a goat, and not just any goat, a smelly, lustful, scary old billy goat!'

...his Christ would hug such a beast to remind puritanical Christians that God's ways are not to be confused with ours.

The Franciscan monk painted the goat, hair by hair, and was surprised at the end when it seemed ready to jump into his arms. 'There was too much of me in the goat that I did not want to acknowledge and see. Lentz writes 'He demanded that I embrace myself with compassion and look at other human beings with new understanding.'

Each of our souls has billy-goat parts — wild, 'untamed and undomesticated parts — that don't fit with our idealised image of ourselves or with how we wish to be seen, so we keep them hidden from public view.

#### **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

**REFLECTION** 'What do I have to do to be good enough?'

**Susan Jones** 

#### **HYMN**

AA 68 'If I take the wings of the morning'

Words and music © Nigel Eastgate (based on Psalm 139)

If I take the wings of the morning to fly with them over the sea, no matter how far or how fast I've flown, I'll not be alone, my God is forever with me.

I may reach the gateway of heaven, descend to the portals of hell, though spirits of evil or death appear, I'll show them no fear, for God will be with me as well.

If I should conceal me in darkness and dress in the clothing of night, yet there in the deepest of gloom confined, I'll never be blind, for God is the giver of light.

Now I need no wings of the morning, from paths of despair I'll be free, and though I encounter the darkest shade, I'll not be afraid, for God will be ever with me.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

We affirm the beauty of being human
The tenderness of needing and thrill of desire
We acknowledge the pain of being human
The agony of not getting and terror of the unknown

We dare to trust that we are accepted and loved however we respond to the challenges of life; that there is a field of energy in which we live and move and have our being which upholds us whoever we are, whatever we have done wherever we are going or have been whatever we believe or do not believe.

We do not have to be 'good enough' to make this energy of love surround us, it already does, simply because we are human; precious, honoured and marvellous.

We affirm this to be true.

## **OFFERING PRAYER** (said together)

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.

#### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Pakistan and the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name David Clark and David Cunliffe and the people of their electorates of Dunedin North and New Lynn. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of St Timothy's Presbyterian Church, Titahi Bay.

## PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

## TIME WITH THE ADULTS

### **HYMN**

# FFS 57 'Song of faith that sings forever'

Music: © 1999 Colin Gibson Hope Publishing Company. Words: © 1999 Shirley Murray

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 exultation, 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** 

**SUNG AMEN** 

**POSTLUDE** 

## 'Processional March'

By C. Armstrong Gibbs (1889 – 1960)

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.

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Thanks to this week's volunteers		
Welcoming	Heather Macfarlane, Jeni Bryant	
Sound	Peter Cowley	
Offering	Paul Barber, Ann Barrie	
Coffee/tea	Frank & Sue Cook, Ross Young	
Time with the Adults		
Readings	Fiona McDougal	
Prayers of the People	Bronwyn White	
Musician	Peter Franklin	
Rainbow Room Helper	Margaret Pannett	

On duty 24 April	
Welcoming	Pam Fuller, Anne Barrie
Sound	Norman Wilkins
Offering	Henry Boida & Keith Rimmer
Coffee/tea	James Cone, Kath Kerr, Richard Keller
Time with the Children	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Readings	Roger Jones
Prayers of the People	Graham Howell
Musician	TBC
No Rainbow Room this week	Activities and toys at the back of the church

#### This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday April 17 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice Meeting and Mural Project meeting 12Noon – 2.30pm

**3pm** Tango Ballet with the Aroha String Quartet (ticketed concert)

Wednesday 20 April Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

**Wednesday 20 April 12.15pm** Lunchtime Concert – Owen Moriarty | solo guitar recital

Thursday 21 April 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

**Sunday April 24 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones – ANZAC Day Commemoration Followed by Exploring Faith group meeting

# ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### **GATHERINGS IN APRIL**

**Sunday April 24th** Gathering will feature Anzac Day commemoration and a Peace emphasis followed by a first meeting of the Exploring Faith group for 2016.

# **MURAL PROJECT**

Naylor Love have offered us the chance to paint a mural in the lane beside the church. Chris Barrand of Pablos is going to work with us in developing and completing the work. Everyone who wishes can be involved whether you think you are artistic or not. There will be a workshop today in the church hall from 12noon to 2.30pm when symbols will be developed and stencils made.

#### "HOME" BY WARSAN SHIRE

The contemporary reading last week was a poem by Warsan Shire - a young Kenyan born Somali poet and writer living in London. You can find the words here: <a href="http://seekershub.org/blog/2015/09/home-warsan-shire/">http://seekershub.org/blog/2015/09/home-warsan-shire/</a>

#### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

On **Sunday 1 May** there will be a special congregational meeting following the service to approve the updated Constitution. Copies of the constitution are available from the office.

# PCANZ FEEDBACK REQUEST

PCANZ are reviewing their communications including their website, SPANZ and the e-news Bush Telegraph. If you have some feedback please feel free to complete the survey online <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCANZSurvey2016">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCANZSurvey2016</a>
There is a hard copy survey available from Sandra

# **SPIRITED CONVERSATIONS 2016**

Make a note in your diary for **Monday May 2nd at 6.15pm** in Conference Rooms 1 & 2. Guest speaker Adrienne Jansen, co-author of "Migrant Journeys' interviewed 14 migrant cab drivers for this book and will talk about the issues it raised, and those of the 14 drivers. Adrienne will be joined by one or two of the drivers interviewed. Catered dinner at 6.15pm cost \$5.00pp.

To assist with numbers please sign the clipboard at the back of the church.

# WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

**BOOK LAUNCH -** *Living in the planet Earth: Faith communities and ecology* **Sunday, April 17th at 8.00pm** in the Foyer of the Catholic Cathedral on Hill Street, Thorndon. This is another in the series of Catholic-based theology books to which Trish McBride has contributed. Her chapter this time features the Season of Creation and the 2014 Land service at St Andrew's, and including the contributions by Sonia Groes-Petrie, Pat Booth and Margaret Megwyn. All welcome. RSVP to Catherine Gibbs at <u>c.gibbs@tci.ac.nz</u>

## WHITE POPPIES FOR PEACE ANNUAL APPEAL 17 TO 24 APRIL

Can you help with the street collection in Wellington or the Kapiti Coast on Wednesday, 20 April? Collectors are urgently needed as follows:

- \* In Wellington there are three street collection times in central city locations: from 7am to 8.30am, from 12.30pm to 2pm, and from 4.30pm to 6pm if you can help, please email <a href="mailto:whitepoppies@ymail.com">whitepoppies@ymail.com</a> or leave a message at Ph 04 382 8129 providing your name, telephone number, and the time/s you are available.
- \* On the Kapiti coast the street collections are in Waikanae, Paraparaumu, Paekakariki and other towns in the area if you can help, please email <a href="mailto:whitepoppies@ymail.com">whitepoppies@ymail.com</a> or leave a message at Ph 04 382 8129 providing your name, telephone number, which town you are in, and the time/s you are available.

White poppies are also available, for a donation to the White Poppy Peace Scholarships, on the table at the back of the church.

## ANZAC DAY PEACE VIGIL: HONOUR THE WAR DEAD BY ENDING WAR

On **Monday, 25 April 2016**, from 6pm to 6.30pm at the Cenotaph, corner Lambton Quay and Bowen Street, Wellington

- \* to remember all the casualties of war
- \* to remember all who resisted war
- \* to call for an end to war
- \* to promote peace

In conjunction with peace and faith groups here and overseas who are holding vigils throughout the WW1 centenary, and to highlight our mutual belief that conflict must be resolved peacefully rather than by war.

Please bring a candle and a reflection to share if you wish, banners and placards will be available at the vigil.

Organised by Peace Movement Aotearoa, RSVP at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/events">www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/events</a>

#### EPWORTH BOOKROOM CLOSING DOWN SALE

"Our Final Closing Down Sale is now on until we close **Friday 22 April 2016**. This is your last opportunity to get bargain prices on our excellent range of books, DVDs, CDs and giftware. You cleaned out the Sales section, so we added 99 more titles at 50% off the usual retail price - see the list below. All other general titles are discounted. Take 25% off the prices shown in the Current Stock List. Visit our shop at 338 Karori Road, email sales@epworthbooks.org.nz or phone free 0800 755 355. Saturday Opening - We are open from 10.00am to 3.00pm on Saturday 16 April. Opening Hours: 9.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday."

#### THE DYING MIND - SYMPOSIUM

Autonomy, control, consent, communication, they all depend on a well-functioning brain. We are our memories. Our actions define us to others. When we are dying, almost inevitably, the brain starts to falter. This strikes at the essence of who we are and how we want to die.

The Dying Mind was conceived and is led by Dr Brian Ensor, Director of Palliative Care at Mary Potter Hospice with guest speaker from Australia, Dr Meera Agar, psychologist Dr Simon Bennett, gerontologist, Dr Janet Turnbull, psychiatrist Dr Adam Sims and Palliative Care Coordinator, Paul Holmes from Mary Potter Hospice.

We will spend a day updating ourselves on what is happening to the brain, how we can enhance function, mitigate losses, and work with deficits.

To be held at The Brentwood Hotel, Kilbirnie on **29**<sup>th</sup> **April from 8:30am - 4:30pm** \$200.00 for further details and to register visit

http://marypotter.org.nz/registration/node/1045

#### PROGRESSIVE SPIRITUALITY NZ CONFERENCE

**Friday 6th to Sunday 8th May** at St Paul's Presbyterian Church, 89 Tennyson Street, Napier. "Common Ground. Faith as Resistance to Ego, Orthodoxy, and Empire". Keynote speaker Rev Dr Robin Meyers. "Let our resistance be of love". Other speakers include Jo Randerson, and Rev David Clark MP. For further information, please visit <a href="https://www.progressivespirituality.co.nz">www.progressivespirituality.co.nz</a>. Some St Andrew's people are intending to attend.

## TE TIRITI O WAITANGI: HE KORERO

A series of three events on Te Tiriti o Waitangi - past with mana whenua, a current issue with local solutions and finally a future focus.

FREE LUNCH TIME KORERO: 12.30-1.15 PM on Fridays 29 April, 6 May, 13 May 2016 GROUND FLOOR: TE MATAPIHI KI TE AO NUI / WELLINGTON CENTRAL LIBRARY **Friday 29 April**: Stories of local signatories to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, April, 1840,

Honiana Love, Kura Moeahu, Mark Te One

**Friday 6 May**: Current issue: Clean water, (local solutions)

Kaikōrero: Ray Ahipene-Mercer, Morrie Love

**Friday 13 May**: Pākehā engagement with the Treaty – 30 years of collective action:

Mary Haggie, Jeff Drane and Jen Margaret Organised by Wellington Treaty Network

Contact for more information: wellingtontreatvnetwork@gmail.com

## MARY POTTER HOSPICE VOLUNTEER COLLECTORS NEEDED

We are currently looking for people who are interested in volunteering as collectors during our annual appeal on Friday 20th, and Saturday 21st of May.

This year we hope to have 700+ volunteers collecting across the two days, so your involvement would be wonderful. Mary Potter Hospice provide free palliative to people living with life limiting conditions and their families, across Wellington, Porirua

and the Kapiti Coast. People who give their time to Hospice are vital – without our generous volunteers them we cannot maintain our excellent level of care. If anyone would like to register as a volunteer they can contact me directly or fill in the form here: http://www.marypotter.org.nz/support-us/events/annual-street-collection/

# 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
Facilities Assistant	Rebecca Nodwell
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