St Andrew's on The Terrace

Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

16 October 2016



Pentecost 22



Thinking about important things in Spring

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.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

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

GATHERING

In these unsettled times, as equinoxial winds blow Spring whistles about our ears;

shines on us with unexpected warmth,
douses us with intermittent showers;
So we shift our thoughts to important things
participate in the liminal space called spring;
Gathering together today
in the presence we name God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Our Life has its Seasons (AA113)

Words: Shirley Murray, Music: Colin Gibson© 1992 Hope Publishing Company.

Our life has its seasons, and God has the reasons Why spring follows winter, and new leaves grow, For there's a connection with our resurrection That flowers will bud after frost and snow, So there's never a time to stop believing, There's never a time for hope to die, There's never a time to stop loving, These three things go on.

There's a time to be planting,
A time to be plucking,
A time to be laughing,
A time to weep,
A time to be building,
A time to be breaking,
A time to be waking,
A time to sleep,
But there's never a time....

There's a time to be hurting,
A time to be healing,
A time to be saving,
A time to spend,
A time to be grieving,
A time to be dancing,
A time for beginning,
A time to end,

But there's never a time....

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

REFLECTIVE SONG (sung seated)

'We long to Dwell in Unity' vs 1, 2

In Inclusive Hymns for Liberation, peace and Justice'
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We long to dwell in unity, Our varied gifts in harmony; Come, Sister-Brother Spirit, come, And show the way to make us one.

The Spirit lives within us all, And helps us claim our sacred call; We join to heal divisive ways, Creating fair and peaceful days.

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.

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

Colma Froggatt

Gospel Luke 18:1-8

RESPONSE

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

Contemporary viewing

"How the Guilt Stole Christmas (Owning Original Innocence)"

With Scott Grace, The Spiritual Dr. Seuss on You Tube

REFLECTION

'Don't let Guilt steal anything'

Susan Jones

HYMN (tune below)

AA 44 'Gentle God when we are driven'

Words: © 1982 Shirley Murray Music: © 1982 Jillian Bray

Gentle God, when we are driven past the limits of our love, when our hurt would have a weapon and the hawk destroy the dove, at the cost of seeming weak, help us turn the other cheek.

Gentle Spirit, when our reason clouds in anger, twists in fear, when we strike instead of stroking, when we bruise and sting and smear, cool our burning, take our pain, bring us to ourselves again.

In the mirror of earth's madness let us see our ravaged face, in the turmoil of all people let compassion find a place, touch our hearts to make amends, see our enemies as friends.

Let our strength be in forgiving as forgiven we must be, one to one in costly loving, finding trust and growing free, gentle God, be our release, gentle Spirit, teach us peace.



Gen-tle God, when we are dri-ven past the li-mits of our love, when our



hurt would have a wea-pon and the hawk des-troy the dove, at the



cost of seem-ing weak, help us turn the o-ther cheek.

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

We have been given much. Out of that much we give back with gratitude; through food for others who have little, and through money for this church that it may continue to beam love and compassion abroad in this world. May this be so. 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 **briefly** from the lectern.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Wendy Matthews

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Taiwan and the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Mark Mitchell and Todd Muller and the members of their electorates of Rodney and Bay of Plenty. Here in Wellington, we pray for the teachers and students of Queen Margaret College as they prepare for exams.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

TIME WITH THE ADULTS

HYMN

'The year is ever turning'

Music: © Ewing WOV 346. Words: © Susan Jones

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.

These days, we now can gather In café, candled halls, Churches not yet familiar Or where we first were called; Together now, we stumble T'wards love below, above Beside us and behind us Surrounding, all is Love.

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE Jerusalem

by Sir C.H.H. Parry (1848 – 1918)

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 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	David & Pauline Patchett
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Margaret Pannett, Paul Satherley
Coffee/tea	Richard Owen, Jim & Maxine Cunningham
Time with the Adults	
Readings	Colma Froggatt
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Roger Jones

On duty 23 October	
Welcoming	Trish McBride, Lois Robertson
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	Graham Howell, Jon Schrader
Coffee/tea	Roger Jones, Sonia Groes-Petrie, Richard Keller
Time with the Children	Susan Jones
Readings	John Morgan
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Vivien Chiu
Rainbow Room Helper	Activities at the back of the Church

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 16 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Social Justice Meeting

Wednesday 19 October Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 19 October 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Jamie Garrick | Guitar recital

Thursday 20 October 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre.

Sunday 23 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones

Followed by Exploring the Faith Study session

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

SPRING SERIES

'Thinking about Important Things in Spring' is a five-reflection series to be held on **Sundays 16th and 23rd October, 6th, 13th and 20th November.** In these five Gatherings, Susan will be wondering out loud on the following themes: Guilt/Innocence, Shame/Joy, Despair/Hope, Doubt/Certainty and Being Whole/Being Partial. The final Gathering will commemorate the International Transgender Day of Remembrance (see below).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General Assembly is being held in Dunedin from **15-19 November**. The theme is 'HOPE for the world" You can sign up for daily updates on

http://www.pcanzassembly.org.nz/

A Hope Conference runs alongside the Assembly business for anyone who wishes to enrol. www.pcanzassembly.org.nz/.

The Moderator Designate is sending out regular GA updates on this link: http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/sites/public files/10 Aug GA16 Update.pdf

ABOUT TDOR - 20 NOVEMBER

"The Transgender Day of Remembrance was set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. The event is held in November to honour Rita Hester, whose murder on November 28th, 1998 kicked off the "Remembering Our Dead" web project and a San Francisco candlelight vigil in 1999. Rita Hester's murder — like most anti-transgender murder cases — is yet to be solved. Although not every person represented during the Day of Remembrance self-identified as transgender — that is, as a transsexual, crossdresser, or otherwise gender-variant — each was a victim of violence based on bias against transgender people. We live in times more sensitive than ever to hatred based violence, especially since the events of September 11th. Yet even now, the deaths of those based on anti-transgender.

events of September 11th. Yet even now, the deaths of those based on anti-transgender hatred or prejudice are largely ignored. Over the last decade, more than one person per month has died due to transgender-based hate or prejudice, regardless of any other factors in their lives. This trend shows no sign of abating.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance serves several purposes. It raises public awareness of hate crimes against transgender people, an action that current media doesn't perform. Day of Remembrance publicly mourns and honours the lives of our brothers and sisters who might otherwise be forgotten. Through the vigil, we express love and respect for our people in the face of national indifference and hatred. Day of Remembrance reminds non-transgender people that we are their sons, daughters, parents, friends and lovers. Day of Remembrance gives our allies a chance to step forward with us and stand in vigil, memorializing those of us who've died by anti-transgender violence." Note: This page was taken from http://www.rememberingourdead.org/day/what.html

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

HOMELESSNESS INQUIRY RESULTS

Over the last few months, the Inquiry launched by Labour, Green and Māori Parties received hundreds of written and oral submissions from New Zealanders and organisations who work with the homeless.

The report released this week has brought together all submissions to offer real solutions for the homelessness crisis. There are 20 recommendations, and we all need to call on the Government to immediately adopt these. There are several copies available at the back of the church or to view the report online please visit http://www.homelessnessinguiry.co.nz/

TURNING THE CURVE: REFUGEE WOMEN DRIVING PRACTICE VOLUNTEERS

Support a woman with a refugee background to get a driver licence. We're looking for some women willing to volunteer their time to take a refugee-background woman for driving practice. Each learner driver's had professional lessons, and now needs practice to get her licence. She will provide the car. Training is provided for volunteers. Volunteers can choose to practise with a Porirua, Hutt or Wellington

driver. Contact Naomi Tocher, ChangeMakers, naomi@crf.org.nz or Ph 04 801 5812. This need is urgent. Please make contact with Naomi soon.

A CONCERT OF COLLABORATORS

A concert on Roger Wilson's Significant Birthday will honour and celebrate some of the wonderful colleagues, pianists, organists, a violist, who have meant so much to him throughout a long performing career.

St Andrew's on The Terrace, **Sunday 23rd October**. 4pm. Performers will include Gillian Bibby, Terence Dennis, Bruce Greenfield, Rae de Lisle, Rachel Thomson, Ludwig Treviranus, Judith McDonald, Fiona McCabe, Julie Coulson, Catherine Norton, Mark Dorrell, Guy Donaldson, Martin Ryman, Roy Tankersley, Bruce Cash, Douglas Mews, Peter Barber, Uncle Tom Cobleigh et al and the reconstituted Morning Glories. Admission free, but a koha to help with venue hire and piano tuning would be appreciated.

AWAKEN CONFERENCE NZ - 21 - 24 OCTOBER

This Labour weekend LGBT Christians, families, friends and church leaders come together for a weekend-long LGBT Christian conference. An awesome opportunity to network and hear from NZ and international speakers, on how to create safe spaces for LGBT Christians and related topics.

https://www.facebook.com/Awaken-Conference-NZ-1736867023227681/ Anyone wishing to donate towards Conference costs please speak to Susan.

RACE, POWER AND PRISONS

A forum to mark the 181st anniversary of He Wakaputanga o Te Rangatiratanga o Nu Tireni (Declaration of Independence of New Zealand) 28 October 1835. With Moana Jackson (Ngati Kahungunu, Ngati Porou). Organised by Peace Movement Aotearoa. On **Tuesday 25th October** at the St Andrew's Centre, 30 The Terrace 6pm – 7.30pm. RSVP www.facebook.com/peacemovementaotearoa or Ph 382 8129

WCC SENIORS WEEK INFORMATION

Wellington City Council Seniors week has been running from Monday 10 October to Sunday 16 October with a range of activities as part of this week. It is also a good opportunity to let you know about some of the activities /services that WCC provide that may be of interest to seniors:

Mobility Scooters and Beach wheelchair – 14 Mobility scooters are available to be borrowed at no charge from various locations around Wellington. A beach wheelchair is also available at Freyberg pool which allows people with mobility issues the opportunity to enjoy Wellington's beaches. For more information go to: http://wellington.govt.nz/services/community-and-culture/accessibility-services/mobility-transport

Library Housebound service – Residents and ratepayers who are permanently or sometimes temporarily housebound through long-term illness, disability or frailty are eligible for free home delivery service. For more information go to: http://www.wcl.govt.nz/about/joining/housebound.html

Backdoor Rubbish Collection – By joining up with this service people can have their rubbish collected from their backdoor. This is a user-pays service, although it is also available free of charge for people who meet certain criteria. For more information go to: http://wellington.govt.nz/services/environment-and-waste/rubbish-and-recycling/collection-days/backdoor-collection

Accessibility map – this map which is now available both in hard copy and online provides information about the cities accessibility features, such as the location of mobility car parks and the location of accessible toilets etc. A new hard copy version should be available over the next couple of weeks. If you would like to receive some of these please send me an email. To access the online version go to:

http://wcc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=a5e68943eab24fc88b9478eaafa3353c

WCC Leisure card – this provides discounted rates at pools and recreation centres around wellington for people over 65 (and other groups as well). For more information go to: http://wellington.govt.nz/recreation/support-and-advice/leisure-card **Car Fit** – WCC runs these events in association with Lions volunteers and AA. CarFit is a free community education service that helps older drivers make the best use of their vehicle so that they can continue to drive safely and retain independent mobility for as long as possible. The programme involves a 12-point check-up of things like the driver's positioning in their car, their field of vision and use of all vehicle controls to increase driver safety. The next event will be held in Johnsonville at St Brigid's School on **Saturday 26 November**. Bookings are essential.

To make a booking phone 04 803 8330

There is also a new resource aimed at helping older people make decisions about their housing – for instance should they stay in their existing home, downsize or move to a more supported living environment. This resource is available online and also in hard copy. For more information go to http://mychoices.goodhomes.co.nz/home.html

ACTIVISM, DESPAIR, AND THE PRACTICE OF HOPE by Rev. Dr. Rebecca Dudley Monday 7th November — 7:00 Refreshments / 7:30-8:30 Lecture
The St. John's Centre — Corner of Willis and Dixon / Wellington CBD
How can we engage and respond to global realities—economic poverty, social inequality, geopolitical insecurity, environmental vulnerability—that are painful and intractable? How can we care deeply about the world and not get burned out? How can we be both active and hopeful in a world where despair is a reasonable response?
Rev. Dr. Rebecca Dudley is currently the International Humanitarian Law Advisor to the NZ Red Cross. She speaks in a personal capacity, and shares stories about community work, human rights activism and peacebuilding in countries around the world.
For more information, contact the office at St. John's (04 385 1546 or enquiries@stjohnsinthecity.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

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 Administrator	Karyn Bishop
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