

ORDER OF SERVICE

25 February 2018

Lent Two All Accepted on Trust



WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Wherever you are on your faith 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're on the way!

From bondage to freedom, from imprisonment to liberation

We walk the road with trusting faith

The journey will stretch us and place demands on us

What is the trust we need? What is faith?

Who will we take with us? What do we need to do?

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Our delight is in the broadness'

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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, every 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,
Same and different, trans and gay
Thanks be giv'n for our affections,
celebrate them night and day.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.
Kia ora.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (2nd of 6 possible renderings of the Aramaic Lord's Prayer)

*O Source of the Wave,
which envelops and embraces the cosmos,
sustaining and renewing it at each moment,
Penetrate the deepest recesses of our hearts,
and there create a space for thy holy shrine.
In this nuptial chamber,
conceive the creative potency of thy Reign,
So that we may give birth to the embodiment of thy desire:
as from the emanation, so too in form.
With passion and soul let us generate
that which is needed to sustain life this day.
Release us from the bondage of our karma,
as we free others from the captivity of their guilt.
And do not let superficiality cause us to vacillate,
but rather free us from all that impedes growth.
For from thee bursts forth all that
dignifies, gives life, and astonishes,
from cycle to cycle, restoring wholeness. Ameyn.*

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See their work on www.taoofliberation.com and www.abwoon.com

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!

A LENTEN MOMENT

Jem Traylen

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Linda Wilkins

Epistle

Romans 4: 1-5 & 9-11

Gospel

Mark 8: 31-37

Contemporary reading

'Why I support Gay Marriage' Interview with Tony Compolo

<https://www.premierchristianity.com/Blog/Tony-Campolo-Why-gay-Christians-should-be-fully-accepted-into-the-Church>

I know all the arguments pro and con. I've thought of everything, and I'm still open to considering new things when somebody has something new to say. Having said all of that, I just meet too many wonderful Christian people who are in gay relationships, and I know this: my own marriage has been an incredible relationship. If I was to ask what has been the greatest influence in nurturing me as a Christian, I would have to say it's my wife. I then ask myself a very simple question: can I deny homosexual couples what I am personally experiencing in the way of blessings and joy in a relationship? That became the basis for my final decision. I just knew too many couples who were living out the Christian life, who were committed to the work of the kingdom and who were in edifying relationships.

Suicide is the second major cause of death among teenagers in America, second only to automobile accidents. Almost three-quarters of those suicides are suicides by Christian young people who cannot reconcile their sexual orientation with what they're hearing from the pulpit. I don't know what the Church is about, but if it's about driving kids to suicide it's not doing the right thing.

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

'Everyone Accepted on Trust'

Susan Jones

HYMN

HIOS 27 'Every hair upon your head'

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Ev'ry hair upon your head has been counted,
Jesus said, though it's black or white or red or in between.
Ev'ry curl upon your mount has been counted in the count,
though it's beige or blond, or blue or even green.

Refrain: We're the family of God,
who finds nothing strange or odd,
who delights in individuality:
be we bald or richly blessed,
be we shaggy, shaved or tressed,
we're the family of God, yes, you and me.

Ev'ry tuft upon your top is selected from the crop,
though it's knotted in a knot or left to flow;
whether Cherokee or shorn, maybe lonely or forlorn,
though it's only just been born, it's in the know. *Refrain*

Though it's old and turning grey, maybe like a field of hay,
though your friends and neighbours say it will not do;
though it's frizzy, though its lank, though it stands up like a bank,
it is loved and counted precious 'cos it's you. *Refrain*

Ev'ry follicle is named, not a split-end will be blamed,
not one hair need be ashamed to show its head;
and the colour will be right in a loving parents sight,
though its dull or dark or bright, so Jesus said. *Refrain*

OFFERING PRAYER *(said together)*

May these scraps of paper, bits of metal and cans of food serve as symbols of our deep desire for Love to transform our time, effort, and substance into works of creative compassion for each other, for our wider community, and for the world beyond, through this church. So may it be, Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by James Burklo on
<https://progressivechristianity.org/resources/prayer-of-dedication-offering/>

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

Cameron Smart

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the organisations working for reconciliation in Croatia and Slovenia and the people of Croatia and Slovenia. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name MPs Mark Mitchell (Rodney electorate) and Todd Muller (Bay of Plenty electorate). Here in Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Wairoa Union Parish.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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HYMN

We shall go out with hope of resurrection

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CH4 729 Tune: Londonderry Air

We shall go out with hope of resurrection;
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;
tales of a love that will not let us go.
We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;
we'll dream our dream of hurts that can be healed;
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of new life who sets us free.

We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken;
we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed;
we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
expressive love alive in every heart.
We'll share our joy with those who are still weeping,
raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
we'll leap and dance the resurrection story
including all in circles of our love.

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Bruce Cash
our musician today

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acknowledged. If Susan Jones is the worship leader any such liturgy will have been written by her. These
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AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website.
<http://www.standrews.org.nz/sunday-gathering/orders-of-service>

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.

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.

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

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

FEBRUARY/MARCH AT ST ANDREW'S

- March 4 10am Lent Three Gathering & Communion led by Susan Jones. Preacher: Rev Dr Sir Lloyd Geering, (celebrating his 100th birthday, Feb 2018).
Pride Festival
- March 11 10am Lent Four Gathering led by Susan Jones
- March 18 10am Lent Five Gathering led by Susan Jones
- March 25 10am Palm Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones. Members of the Class of 1980, Otago University Medical School will be with us.
- Holy Week:
- Thursday March 29 6.15-7.45pm Maundy Thursday Gathering, Conf. Rooms 1& 2.
- Friday March 30 10am Good Friday led by liturgy team
- Saturday March 31 Transgender Day of Visibility, events TBA
- April 1 10am Easter Day celebration with communion.

RAINBOW NEWS

1. Wellington Pride Festival Saturday February 24th - Saturday 10th March

We are partnering with Rainbow Wellington to put on two public talks -

Tuesday 27th, 'LGBTI+ In Schools', 5:30-7:30pm

Wednesday 7th, 'A Fresh Start for Human Rights', 5:30-7:30pm

Wednesday 13th March at 7:30pm. We are also hosting the AGM for Out Wellington who organise the festival. Full details -

<http://www.facebook.com/wellingtonpridefestival>

2. Passing of Dana De Milo

The rainbow community is mourning the loss of one of their most beloved kuia. Dana de Milo moved from Auckland to Wellington in the early 1960s, when still in her teens. She became part of Wellington's community of 'queens', most of whom were unable to find employment and turned to sex work to survive. Later in life de Milo became involved in HIV/AIDS prevention work, the Māori Women's Welfare League and support of the transgender community (Te Ara - The Encyclopedia of New Zealand). Last year an op shop was named in her honour. It raises funds for Gender Minorities Aotearoa who hope to open a Gender Centre later this year. 128 Abel Smith St by the Terrace Tunnel, open Wed-Sun 10am-6pm <http://www.auntydanas.com>

3. Submissions on changing gender on birth certificates close on March 2nd. Please support the transgender community by writing a submission to Parliament on the birth certificate issue. The St Andrews' submission is here today to be signed if you wish. http://action.greens.org.nz/document_dignity.

4. Faith Communities United in Love 2018 Wellington Pride Festival

Baking is needed for the the inter faith LGBTIQ Café Evening on **March 2**, held 7-10:30pm at the Salvation Army, 72 Cuba Street Petone. There is a Koha entry to this café, proceeds going to intersex youth Aotearoa. If you can bake fudge, slices, muffins or other finger food (vegan included) please talk to Susan.

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY GROUP

Many thanks to those who volunteered to be part of the Liturgy group putting together the service for Good Friday. We met last Sunday and are working on a plan! Apologies to those who were not able to stay and be part of the discussion on that day. I have your details and we may be in touch to take up your kind offers of assistance.

REFORMATION RESOURCE

During the break Susan collated the five reflections on the Reformation from October 2017 together with the pamphlets she handed out each week. These will be produced as a spiral bound copy over the next few weeks. Let Susan or the office know if you will want a hard copy or an electronic copy.

AUTUMN SEMINAR - JOHN MURRAY MEMORIAL SEMINAR

Seminar Friday **23rd March**, 7pm at St Andrew's on The Terrace

John Murray was an activist, a leader of the Presbyterian Church whose thinking was decades ahead of his time, fighting for the right of same-sex couples to marry, against All Black tours to a South Africa separated by apartheid, co-founding Te Kakano, campaigning for peace, and, in later years, for the right for people suffering a terminal illness to die with dignity.

Programme:

- 6.30pm Registration. Tea and coffee available
- 7.00pm Welcome and Introduction
- 7.20pm Ken Irwin 'A Man of his Times' followed by a Waiata
- 7.40pm Excerpts from "Patu", the 1981 Springbok tour documentary,
- 7.50pm Pam Ormsby to read her memoirs re the Springbok Tours followed by a Waiata
- 8.10pm Hon Hugh Templeton - Memories of his schooldays and as John's Session Clerk
- 8.30pm "It's time, let the white poppies bloom."
- 8.40pm Edwina Hughes – Peace Movement Aotearoa – 'Peace for all seasons'
- 9.00pm The St Andrew's prayer read by Rosemary Lawrence

WORM FARM LIQUID FERTILIZER FOR SALE

Jon Schrader has fertilizer for sale at \$5 per 2 litre bottle (many report good results). Orders to Jon after the service on Sunday or call Ph 389 7082. Delivery and payment the following Sunday. Thank you

NEW ZEALAND FESTIVAL AND THE PERFORMANCE ARCADE 2018

You are invited to a cultural event, a Meet & Greet with the performance and multimedia artist Steffi Weismann.

Where: Goethe-Institute New Zealand, 150 Cuba Street, Wellington (level 6, entrance Garrett St). When: Tuesday, the **20th of February**, 5:30 pm for a 6pm start.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERIES FOR LENT

5 week series led by Father Alan Roberts, chaplain of Home of Compassion, at HOC, Rhine St, Island Bay, starting **Wednesday 21st February**. (Phone HOC 3837134). Topics include Our image of God, Growth in Prayer, Meditation and Contemplation.

CHARITY CONCERT AT SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL

Friday 2 March. Two musicians from Germany, Trio A Due (Dr Almut Seebeck and Felicitas Weyer) are performing a concert. Proceeds will be given to Lifeline Aotearoa. Almut is a Soprano and Felicitas a Mezzo Soprano and pianist. They will sing a variety of songs including Lieder, Sacred songs, Celtic, Yiddish and Jazz.

2018 RACE RELATIONS DAY CELEBRATION EVENT AND PEACE WALK

This event will take place on **Saturday, 24 March 2018** at the TSB arena in conjunction with an inaugural Multicultural Peace Walk, starting from the Odlins Plaza (opp Macs Brewer) and ending at the TSB arena. We have scheduled the event to commence at 10am with a peace walk followed by a grand multicultural festival from 12pm to 7pm. RSVP to kirahundleby@gmail.com and/or if you are on facebook, please use this facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/136286060387145/>

NORTH ISLAND CYCLE

At Christmas Zita and Mike Wespel-Rose rode their cycles from Cape Rienga to Wellington. It took them 23 days all together. Mike kept a blog of the adventure. It can be found at the following link: <https://northislandcycle.wordpress.com>
As the way blogs work you need to go to the bottom and read each day's entry from the bottom up if you want to read it in time order. They had a really great time.

CYCLONE GITA APPEAL

CWS has launched an appeal for those affected for people of Tonga who have been hit particularly hard by the storm in the path of Cyclone Gita with wind speeds of over 233 km per hour on the night of February 12. Buildings including Parliament House have been flattened. People have been injured and there is lots to clean up. I know you will want to help. Please make a donation to <https://www.cws.org.nz>.

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	Linda and Norman Wilkins
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Paul Barber and Margaret Pannett
Coffee/tea	Sue Cook, Pam Fuller, Richard Owen
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Linda Wilkins
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Bruce Cash
Rainbow Room	Lois Robertson and Roger Jones

On duty Sunday 4 March

Welcoming	Brian and Lynette Burrell
Sound	Peter Cowley
Offering	James Cone, Joan Tyler
Coffee/tea	Lois Robertson, Pam Fuller, Roger Jones, Tony Kirby
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Communion	Jim Cunningham, Barrie Keenan, Ken Irwin, Alastair Harray
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room	Ellen Murray, Margaret Pannett

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 25 February 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones followed by Social Justice education group meeting

Wednesday 28 February Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 28 February 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Jonathan Berkahn and Friends

Thursday 1 March 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 4 March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones, Preacher and Celebrant: Rev Dr Sir Lloyd Geering followed by morning tea in the Hall to commemorate Lloyd's 100th

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
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Pastoral Convenors	Linda Wilkins and Maxine Cunningham Lois Robertson, Brian Burrell
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