

ORDER OF SERVICE

16 December 2018

Advent 3



'Joy to the world?'

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 move towards the advent of the child

Pressure builds, anticipation kindles

Who in our world needs to know the joy of living

How can we spread that joy?

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'The light, the Christmas light'

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(Music next page)

1. The light, the Christmas light
is born within the darkness,
a glimmer where the spark is
that Spirit will ignite:
Christ Jesus is this light (sing line 4 times)
2. The door, the stable door
that opens to all people,
the searching and the hopeful
who look and long for more:
Christ Jesus is this door (sing line 4 times)
3. The star, the cosmic star,
the pointer flying solo
that calls the wise to follow
where new horizons are:
Christ Jesus is this star (sing line 4 times)

4. The light has always shone;
 the faith we lodge our hope in
 will seek a door to open,
 a star to light us on
and draw a shining thread (sing line 3 times)
through all the year ahead.

Ending:
And draw a shining thread
through all the year (sing line twice)
through all the year ahead.

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1. The light, the Christ-mas light is born with-in the dark-ness, a
 6 glim-mer where the spark is that Spi-rit will ig - nite: Christ Je - sus
 11 is this light, Christ Je - sus is this light, Christ Je - sus is this light, Christ
 16 *Coda*
 Je - sus is this light. 2. The (4) And draw a shin-ning thread, through
 22 all the year, through all the year, through all the year a - head.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.
Kia ora.

PRAYER and JESUS' PRAYER

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE AND THE CANDLE OF JOY

CAROL

COC 31 'Te Harinui'

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Not on a snowy night
By star or candlelight
Nor by an angel band
There came to our dear land

Te Harinui, Te Harinui

Te Harinui, Glad tidings of great joy

But on a summer day
Within a quiet bay
The Maori people heard
The great and glorious word *Te Harinui ...*

The people gathered round
Upon the grassy ground
And heard the preacher say
I bring to you this day *Te Harinui ...*

Now in this blessed land
United heart and hand
We praise the glorious birth
And sing to all the earth. *Te Harinui ...*

BLESSING THE CHILDREN (All stand)

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

ST ANDREW'S SINGERS
'Christmas Lullaby'

Led by Vivien Chiu

Words and Music by John Rutter

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Ann Barrie

Hebrew Bible

Isaiah 12: 2-6

CAROL

COC 10 'Christ of Darkness'

Words © 1996 Colin Gibson. Music © 2014 Vivien Chiu

Christ of darkness, Christ of light
burning, undiminished, bright;
high above, a million stars
shine down upon this king of night

*Chorus: Christ to whom the angels sang,
Christ for whom the heavens rang,
truth and peace and love you bring,
and yours the song we too would sing.*

Christ of poverty and need,
thrust aside by human greed,
dare we leave you in a stall,
O Son of God who made us all? *Chorus*

Christ for whom a mother lay
In the shadows, on the hay,
all creation comes to birth
in this travail here on earth. *Chorus*

Contemporary reading

from "The Invitation"

by Oriah Mountain Dreamer

It doesn't interest me what you do for a living. I want to know what you
ache for and if you dare to dream of meeting your heart's longing.

It doesn't interest me how old you are. I want to know if you will risk
looking like a fool for love, for your dream, for the adventure of being
alive.

It doesn't interest me what planets are squaring your moon. I want to
know if you have touched the centre of your own sorrow, if you have
been opened by life's betrayals or have become shrivelled and closed
from fear of further pain.

I want to know if you can sit with pain, mine or your own, without
moving to hide it, or fade it, or fix it.

I want to know if you can be with joy, mine or your own; if you can dance
with wildness and let the ecstasy fill you to the tips of your fingers and
toes without cautioning us to be careful, be realistic, remember the
limitations of being human.

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

'Who needs joy?'

Susan Jones

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.

CAROL AS OFFERING PRAYER

COC 14 (ii) 'Come now, Lord Jesus'

Words © 1992 Shirley Murray. Music Zulu melody arr Roy Tankersley

Come now, Lord Jesus enter our Christmas
Be to us no stranger in this new made manger

Come small and human born of a woman
yet a Son much greater of our own Creator

Come, cold and crying, comfort denying
No place to receive you, few yet to believe you

Come poor and simple our flesh your temple
In your body feeling hurt as well as healing

Come, gift and token, bread to be broken
Star and sign still point you, myrrh will yet anoint you

ST ANDREW'S SINGERS

Led by Vivien Chiu

'O he is born!'

Words and Music by Felicia Edgecombe

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

Catriona Cairns

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of South Korea and the National Council of Churches in Korea. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Paul Eagle (Rongotai electorate) and Kris Faafoi (Mana electorate). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Andrew's Union Church, Featherston.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

'Joy to the World'

Words: Isaac Watts (alt) Susan Jones (2017)

Music: Antioch G F Handel WOV 224

Joy to the world! A new age dawns
It comes, shalom to bring.
Let ev'ry heart prepare a room,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! Delight in good;
let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

Joy to the world! Let justice come,
To all who need release;
For prisoners held in chains,
the damaged and the anxious,
let them find freedom now,
let them find freedom now
let them, let them find freedom now.

Graceful and true, the Saviour brings
compassion all may share
for poor and homeless,
so may they find
their life becomes more fair
their life becomes more fair
their life, their life becomes more fair.

VOW TO SERVE

For those who have no joy in their hearts,
For those whose lives are full of difficulty,
For those who are anxious and have no peace,
We have lit the candle of joy.
We go out remembering the call to be bearers of joy in a troubled world.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

I Saw Three Ships - Fugue for Organ

by Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

THANK YOU

**Peter Franklin,
Vivien Chiu and The St Andrew's Singers**
our musicians today

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acknowledge the source.

AUDIO REFLECTIONS



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

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-
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Until last year, Joyce ran a tiny stall at a local market. She would buy a bucket each of sorghum and peanuts to sell one cup at a time. Once she sold one bucket, she would buy another. The small profit she made for a day's labour kept her three children healthy. Her husband and father were killed in 2015 when their homes were attacked, part of South Sudan's bitter war. For her Maridi Service Agency has been a lifeline. She attended a small business course last year and received money to invest. Her business has grown and she has food stored to use later when prices

are higher. It is enough to pay school fees, medical expenses and live comfortably.

Be the Lifeline to families in need of food. Support the 2018 Christmas Appeal.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

DECEMBER

Sunday 16 December 10am Third Sunday in Advent, Carol service led by Susan with the St Andrew's Singers.

Wednesday 19 December 12.15pm Lunchtime singalong Carol Service "Carols Old and New", led by Susan Jones with Bruce Cash, organist.

Sunday 23 December 10am Fourth Sunday in Advent led by Susan.

Monday 24 December 7.30pm for 8pm start: Christmas Eve Gathering with Communion led by Susan.

Tuesday 25 December 10am Christmas Day Gathering led by Susan.

Sunday 30 December 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan.

JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Sunday Gathering 10am, 6 January 2019: Rev Norman Wilkins,

Sunday Gathering 10am, 13 January 2019: Rev Ross Scott,

Sunday Gathering 10am, 20 January 2019: Rev Ken Irwin,

Sunday Gathering 10am, 27 January 2019: Rev Dr Jim Cunningham.

Sunday Gatherings in February will be led by Rev Dr Susan Jones

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Christmas Eve Service

We need 1 more person to handle the Offering, 3 to dispense the "refreshments" and 3 to be clearer upperers. Please contact Rosemary on rosel@actrix.co.nz OR 021 0235 2612 OR if you can help in these areas. Thank you to all who have volunteered for the other gaps.

MISSING EQUIPMENT

We are still trying to locate 5 trestle tables from the hall and the kitchen trolley. Please let us know if you have any information regarding these items.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We have reduced the number of chairs stored in the foyer and the back of the church to increase the space available for morning tea and to reduce risk. We are planning to have only 20 chairs at the back of the church and 40 in the foyer. These need to be stacked only 5 chairs high to be safe. Please do not carry more than 2 chairs at a time. Chairs do move around a lot in this place! If you can tidy them away when you see them out of place, that would be helpful. Only shift chairs if your body can stand the strain! Thank you! Susan

CUPPA AND CHAT

Cuppa and Chat meets for the last time this year on Wednesday 19 December.

It will NOT meet on Wednesday 26 December (Boxing Day), but will resume for 2019 on Wednesday 2 January 2019. Thank you to all who have attended in 2018 and made this such a great group.



**St Andrew's on The Terrace invites you
to celebrate Christmas 2018**

Wednesday 19 December

12.15pm 'Carols Old and New'
Sing-a-long Carol Concert
(Note corrected time)

Monday 24 December

7.30pm. Sherry/juice and Christmas cake
8pm Christmas Eve Carol service & communion

Tuesday 25 December

10am Christmas Day Gathering

All Sunday Gatherings during December and January
begin at 10am and include morning tea.

St Andrew's Centre re opens Jan 7

Queries: 04 472 9211 or office@standrews.org.nz

See www.standrews.org.nz for recordings of Gatherings



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 and Pauline Patchett
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Graham Howell, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Andrew and Wendy Matthews, Roger Jones
Readings	Ann Barrie
Prayers of the People	Catriona Cairns
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	TBC

On duty 23 December

Welcoming	Heather Macfarlane, Margaret Rushbrook
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Offering	John Morgan, Roger Jones
Coffee/tea	Caroline Glass, Sandra and Tony Kirby
Readings	Jennifer Bush
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Bruce Cash
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 16 December 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones with the St Andrew's Singers
Tuesday 18 December 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre
Wednesday 19 December Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre
Wednesday 19 December 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Family and Community Carol Service
Sunday 23 December 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones.

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
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Convenors	Linda Wilkins, Maxine Cunningham, Brian Burrell and Pat Booth
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Social Justice Co-ordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jules Collinson
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistants	Hamish Dick and Susana-Christie Malaki
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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