



ORDER OF SERVICE

24 February 2019

Epiphany 7

'Church, now and in the future'



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Happy Birthday St Andrew's on The Terrace
22 February 1840 - 22 February 2019

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

A birthday is always a time for looking back

Today we also look forward

What will the future bring?

How can we make sure that future is bright and just?

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'All people that on earth do hear'

Words: © 2015 Susan Jones Music: Old 100th WOV10

All people that on earth do hear
This parish has for all these years
Known all the numinous delight
Of faithful Love, transforming Light

Scots brought their faith to Petone Beach
And celebrated Love's wide reach
From 1840; worship's been
Our way to ground Christ in our scene.

And many here found their first faith
Which morphs as we new meanings make
God has been constant and aloof
Weaving in us both warp and woof.

O'er all our worship and our moods
Wairua Tapu always broods
forgiving ill, willing to heal;
Hosting at each communion meal.

For all who've gathered here to pray
For worshippers, and music played
For liturgy and Word preached true
We thank those faithful, brave first few. Amen

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Sue McRae

SOLO

'Peace Song'

by Dorothy Buchanan

Performed by Georgia Gray, accompanied by Vivien Chiu

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

Bronwyn White

Gospel

Luke 6:31-38

Contemporary reading

from **The Rev John Mcfarlane:**

paper presented to Iwi Christianity: Tauwi Conference, Waitangi 27-29 November 2012, p. 24.

by Rev Wayne te Kaawa

The differences in language, appearance, custom and traditions were barriers that he [Rev John Mcfarlane] readily accepted and worked through. He did not offer criticism of the strange ways and custom of the people of the land, instead he strove to understand their unique place in this part of the world and how they interacted with the new world that was emerging around them. The only criticism that he publicised were against the vices and negative effects of colonisation by the Church, Society and State and how it seriously marginalised the people of the land, limiting their potential. On the issue of colonisation he became an outspoken advocate of social justice for the welfare and advancement of Maori even to the point of withstanding criticism publicly and privately from his own people...

In a humble grave in the parish of Lochigilphead, in Inverary, Argyllshire, Scotland, lie interred the remains of Rev John Mcfarlane. If there ever was a case for a patron saint of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand the Rev John Mcfarlane would qualify at the top of the list of possible candidates.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN (*sung seated*)

'Let us reach down deep inside us'

Words Susan Jones © 2016

Music: FFS 10(i) Gaelic Trad Melody arr John Bell

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*)

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*)

REFLECTION

'Church, now and in the future'

Susan Jones

OFFERING PRAYER

We stand in silence to make our offerings – of food, money, and lives.

So may it be.

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.

HYMN

AA 59 'He came singing love'

Music and Words Colin Gibson © 1994 Hope Publishing

He came singing Love
and he lived singing love;
he died, singing love
He arose in silence.
For the love to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing faith
and he lived singing faith;
he died, singing faith.
He arose in silence.
For the faith to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope
and he lived singing hope;
he died, singing hope.
He arose in silence.
For the hope to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing peace
and he lived singing peace;
he died, singing peace.
He arose in silence.
For the peace to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Mali and the Church of the Province of West Africa. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Tutehounuku Korako and Melissa Lee, List MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Levin Uniting Church.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(please join in with as much of the affirmation as you can)*

We trust in Life which never ends;
a flowing, underground aquifer of life,
refreshing and nourishing
all who root themselves in its cool clear water.

We yearn for greening
to spring forth from this Source of Life;
new growth unfolding in human hearts,
despite the drought-stricken deserts which lie around them
and the heart-stopping, bitter cold of evil greed.

We trust that deep down inside us
the aquifer of life flows unendingly,
unpolluted and magnificent,
delicately whispering its loving way
when our wounds need the salve of fresh hope.

We seek the grace to plant ourselves beside
and in this sacred stream of living water
so we too may bear fruit in the season to come.

HYMN

FFS 32 'God who sets us on a journey'

Words: Joy Dine (1937 – 2001) © Revd Mervyn Dine.

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Music WOV 439 Hyfrydol

God who sets us on a journey
to discover, dream and grow,
lead us as you led your people
in the desert long ago;
journey inward, journey outward,
stir the spirit, stretch the mind,
love for God and self and neighbour
marks the way that Christ defined.

Exploration brings new insights,
changes, choices we must face;
give us wisdom in deciding,
mindful always of your grace;
should we stumble, lose our bearings,
find it hard to know what's right,
we regain our true direction
focused on the Jesus light.

End our longing for the old days,
grant the vision that we lack –
once we've started on this journey
there can be no turning back;
let us travel light, discarding
excess baggage from our past,
cherish only what's essential,
choosing treasure that will last.

When we set up camp and settle
to avoid love's risk and pain,
you disturb complacent comfort,
pull the tent pegs up again;
keep us travelling in the knowledge
you are always at our side;
give us courage for the journey,
Christ our goal and Christ our guide.

BLESSING

Adapted from Dorothy McRae McMahon's
Liturgies for the Journey of Life, p. 128

Come, walk this way together
with Jesus in our midst.

Our hands are open to receive

Our hearts are open to give

Our minds long to learn

And our souls reach out to each other

trusting that Love surrounds us
each moment of every day.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill
our musician today

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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.

Wellington City Council now charges for weekend parking on the street. As well as that, there is a two hour parking limit. If you have parked on the street initially and are staying for an after-church activity, it may be possible to move your car into the St Andrew's/Braemar car park but please be careful that you do not block anyone in.

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 AND MARCH THEMES AT ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

All Sunday Gatherings are led by Susan Jones during this period.

February 24 Theme: **'Church, now and in the future'** – celebrating 179 years since John Macfarlane's sermon on Petone Beach, 22 Feb 1840.

March 3 Communion: Introduction of Don Borrie Memorial Scholarship to facilitate communication with North Korea.

(Lent March 6-April 20; Stations of the Cross will be put up in the Church during Lent)

Wed March 6 Ash Wednesday, Gathering in Conference rooms 1 & 2, 7:00pm, Refreshments to follow the 45-60 minute ritual for those who wish to stay.

(Pride Festival: Gatherings on March 10,17,24 advertised in the Festival programme)

March 10 Lent One **'Rainbow God'** Congregational conversation follows

March 17 Lent Two **'Bible Reinterpreted'**

March 24 Lent Three **'Being Human, Rainbow, and Christian'**

HARVEST CAFÉ @ ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE, SATURDAY MARCH 9

This café runs from 6-10pm with a koha entry. The aim is a an intergenerational, alcohol-free space suitable for all rainbow people and allies from high school to old age. Children welcome too. Help's needed with loan of fairy/Christmas tree lights, perhaps bean bags, attractive floor mats, standard lamps, posters, rainbow paraphernalia (please name yours). Some pickup can be possible. Also, café style home baking. Help needed: decorating Saturday afternoon; serving food on the night; performers; donations of money to assist providing a coffee cart. Please contact Susan if you can help on minister@standrews.org.nz, or Margaret Rushbrook mrushbrook@xtra.co.nz
The Harvest Café also happens Saturday 23rd March 6-10pm Salvation Army, Petone. Baking will be needed for that also. See the flier given out with this order of service.

MINDFULNESS, MEDITATION AND BUILDING COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITIES

SATRS autumn events will start with a four-week course providing practical meditation instructions as well as opportunities to discuss what meditation and mindfulness mean to us and how we can use them in our lives.

We will also have a chance to explore how to make a path for the modern world that is at once secular and yet filled with spirit and, hopefully, the acquisition of wisdom and how could mindfulness meditation help align people from both faith and secular traditions to build greater mutuality and understanding so that diverse communities can work together?

Dates: Sundays 5.30 – 7.00 pm on Sunday March 24 & 31 and April 7 & 14

Where: Conference Rooms 1 & 2, 2nd Floor, St Andrew's Centre, behind the church at 30 The Terrace. Cost; \$40.00 for the course or \$15.00 per session.

The course covers a sequential programme and committing to all four weeks is the best approach but if not, people can attend and pay for individual sessions separately.

Led by Jan Rivers, SATRS board member and part-time meditation teacher.

Registration: admin@satrs.org.nz. Payment – online banking to: Bank account 38 012 0627 755 700. For more information email: admin@satrs.org.nz

SAVE THE DATES: 2019 ORGAN FUNDRAISING CONCERTS

Saturday 27 April at 7:30 pm, Friday 24 May and 7 June at 6:30 pm.

Top musicians from the New Zealand School of Music, Victoria University will perform to help us raise funds to refurbish the organ.

More details to follow shortly.

KEEPING THE CHURCH HEALTHY AND SAFE

In recent months a lot of work has been done sorting cupboards. Sometimes we have changed where goods are stored. Please return objects and especially hazardous substances to where you found them, even if it is a strange and new location for you. If you notice anything unsafe around the buildings please let the Office know. Incident reporting forms are available in the foyer, please use them if anything happens so we can follow up and eliminate or minimise risks.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

PETITION: TEACH NZ HISTORY IN SCHOOLS AS A CORE SUBJECT

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/2062709797109712>

Following on from our numerous posts about the refusal to include the history of this country in the education curriculum (eg, <https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/1979248348789191>): You can sign the petition at https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/petitions/document/PET_83795/petition-of-graeme-ball-on-behalf-of-the-new-zealand-history

RAINBOW WELLINGTON

Sunday 3 March 2019 at 10.15am Exclusive Rainbow Wellington Zealandia Tour

RW member and Zealandia guide Des Smith is hosting the tour. He says there will be a little about homosexuality in the bird world as well as an opportunity to learn about reforestation, our flora and fauna and a chance to see some of our rarer birds and Tuatara. Zealandia is the first place Tuatara are back in the wild on the mainland after 800 years. It will be a chance to increase the awareness of our natural environment. The tour is a walking tour for two and a half hours, easy walking with some small up-hill sections. There is an option for lunch at the Zealandia Café at the end of the tour. The tour will be on wet or fine. Zealandia is offering a very special price to Rainbow Wellington members \$19.50 for adults and \$16.50 for gold card holders, which you pay to Zealandia on the day. There are only places for 20 people on the tour. Open to RW paid-up members on a first come first served basis. Let us them you are coming at: Rainbowwellingtonevents@gmail.com

Friday 8th March, Rainbow Wellington Drinks 5 - 7 pm at Fat Angel, Dixon Street.

NB: March event after opening of Pride Festival, 4pm. No bookings. Pay for own drinks. Bring your friends.

Tuesday, 19th March - Four winds – an interfaith spiritual gathering

Tuesday 19th March 2019, 6.30pm.

An open invitation to a relaxed Spirituality & Faith gathering for Rainbow communities and allies. This is an opportunity for people of all faiths and none to gather in a safe and prayerful environment.

THEATRE PRODUCTION

Jess Brownell is Producer/Creator/Performer in Who Is Coming For Dinner in the 2019 NZ Fringe Festival, a devised physical theatre/dance show in which "Individuals are meeting, hungry to connect. Carrying different needs, beliefs, experiences and knowledge, yet, with much in common, here they are now: feeding themselves, nourishing and celebrating their state of being or the perception of what they think they are." The show runs 16-18 March at 6:30pm at BATS Theatre. Tickets are \$14-20 and can be purchased by ringing the Box Office on 04 802 4175 or visiting bats.co.nz.

ILGA (INTERNATIONAL LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANS AND INTERSEX ASSOCIATION)

conference March 18-22 During this conference the Rainbow Room will be available as a chill-out room for any conference delegates or workers who need a respite. Please be alert to anyone looking lost.

KEEP THE PEACE - NZ

Saturday 18th May wear white (not cream), turn up at 12pm and stand along the rim of the waterfront (starting at Oriental Bay) for 1 hour only. Choose to stand, or add one or more of the options on the facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/events/1555225411991662/>). The intention is to make a strong peace statement on behalf of Aotearoa NZ and send it out to the wider communities and to the world. Rather than anti-war this event is pro-peace. We hope to gain wide media coverage, and get this message out with impact!

DCM FOODBANK

Thanks to all who have generously supported the foodbank over Christmas/January. Needs still high – all donations gratefully accepted.

DCM BOOKFAIR

This year's Bookfair will be held on Saturday 17 August at Shed 6. Books can be dropped off to DCM, 2 Luke's Lane, any week day. If you'd be interested and willing to help with sorting this year please contact Joan Tyler at joanmctyler@gmail.com.

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	Carmen Goldsmith
Offering	Norman Wilkins, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Coffee/tea	Barrie and Jenn Keenan, Catriona Cairns
Time with the Children	Sue McRae
Readings	Bronwyn White
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Rainbow Room Helper	Rosemary Lawrence

On duty 3 March

Welcoming	Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Sound	Frank Cook
Offering	Graham Howell, Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Laura and Melissa Van Echten, Pam Fuller
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Roger Jones
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 24 February 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones followed by the Social Justice Education group meeting in Conference Room 3, 11.45-1.00pm.
Tuesday 26 February 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre
Wednesday 27 February Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre
Wednesday 27 February 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert – Larry Axelrod, piano, works by Janacek, De Castro-Robinson, Holloway, Axelrod and others
Sunday 3 March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones with communion followed by congregational conversation in the Church.

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	Susana-Christie Malaki and Nick Lee
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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