



# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

30 June 2019

# Pentecost 3 Matariki Sunday



## 'Welcome back the Light'

### 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.

### Words by Bronwyn White

### **GATHERING**

Peace be with you

And also with you.

We are this flame, ancient as the stars, new as the vulnerable spark.

We are not alone.

We are the light soaring, the shadow deepening, the dance between them.

We are not alone.

We are the heirs of the tribes and their fires, the healers and their circles.

We are not alone.

We are here for ourselves.

We are here for each

### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

### 'In our world we find delight'

Words: © 2016-18 Susan Jones. Music: © 2016 Vivien Chiu

In our world we find delight, for creation, day and night, brings us solace, joy; Spirit grows, refreshes, gleams as the earth fuels richer dreams just by being here;

May this beauty never end; May this solace always be here May the human race take notice; And show divine compassion.

Looking into starry skies, galaxies defeat our eyes, distant stardust glows; Spinning planets circle suns, stars are born, supernovae stun Cosmos is our 'hood:

May this beauty never end; May this universe remain here May the human race take notice; And show divine compassion

Planet Earth spins like a jewel, let us care and not be cruel to this treasured gem This blue teardrop hanging there; Childrens' children need a share, we owe this to them

May this planet always flourish; May its children still inherit May we help this star to shine bright; Show Earth divine compassion

Let's endorse humanity part of Earth's full family, all made welcome here Many genders, races, tribes, personalities that jibe, all are welcome here

May all people feel accepted; Nations show true understanding May all humans love each other; And show divine compassion

It's a mystery who made this - evolution, hand-made care - multiple ideas. But it's not a mystery who needs to care for green and blue, we have all been charged:

To make sure this never ends; That this beauty does remain here That the human race takes notice; And shows divine compassion

### **WELCOME**

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

#### PRAYER FOR MATARIKI

As we mark the passing of the shortest day of the year, the rise of Matariki and the welcoming back of the light; We ask for our spirits to also be transformed: lightened from darkness while sheltered from scorching sun; to be balanced between shadow and openness of consciousness.

As we remember the annual cycles of planting and growth, of life and death we ask for our world to be nurtured not exploited, flourishing not festering, clean, not cluttered.

So may it be As we celebrate the newness of Matariki.

#### TE KARAKIA O TE ATUA

(The Lord's Prayer)

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi (Our Parent in the spirit world) (Sacred is your Name) Kia tapu tou Ingoa Kia tae mai tou rangatira-tanga. (Bring us Your Chiefly rule); Kia meatia tau e pai ai (May it happen in the way that is to You, good) ki runga i te whenua, (may it happen on earth) kia rite ano ki to te rangi. (In the same way as in spirit world). Homai ki a mātou aianei (Give us now) (The food we need this day). he taro mā mātou mo tēnei ra. Murua o mātou hara (Strip us of our sins); Me mātou hoki e muru nei (Give us back what we have lost); i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

(So that we, the slaves of sin, may be with you again)

Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whaka-waia;

(Do not lead us into temptation);

Engari whaka-orangia mātou, i te kino:

(May we be whole, away from things evil);

Nou hoki te rangatira-tanga, (Through your chiefly position, is) te kaha, me te kororia, ake, ake, āmine.

(the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen)

### LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

### **Rosemary Lawrence**

### **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

Jenn Keenan

**Hebrew Bible** 

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13 (sung as a hymn)

**HYMN** 

AA 113 book 'Our life has its seasons'

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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.

**Refrain:** 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. *Refrain* 

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. *Refrain* 

Gospel Matthew 2:1-10

### **Contemporary reading**

### 'Matariki and Winter Solstice'

by Lynne O'Brien with thanks to Juliet Batten and the Museum of NZ

Winter solstice or Yule falls on the 21st June. Matariki – this year – began Tuesday 25 June and ends 3 July. Like many winter solstice festivals celebrated around the world at this time, both place a strong emphasis on honouring the ancestors, hope – symbolized by the flame of a single candle in the darkness; renewal, and releasement. Both are also about one's connection with nature and the seasonal cycles.

Matariki is the start of the Maori New Year. It is the coldest time of the year. Crops, especially the kumara, have been harvested, with stores now full. Too cold to plant, it is a time for reflection and giving thanks for the harvest that the gods - and ancestors have provided. In the same way, the winter solstice marks the New Year for many other cultures. Yule mythology tells this is the night when the virgin goddess awakens to find she is pregnant with the child of light, faith and hope. Ancients feared that the light might not return and so lit fires to appease the gods and provide energy to boost the sun's rays. Modern-day rituals involve the lighting of candles to encourage the return of the light, honour the continued love and support of loved ones in our lives who have passed over, and the power of the child of light and the spirit world to support us during winter-like times. Likewise, at Christmas, we light candles to symbolise Christ's light in the darkness; the hope of renewal and new life, and the knowledge that we are not alone in our trials. Candles are lit at Matariki to remember the ancestors, encapsulate the hopes and aspirations for the months ahead and, like all other winter solstices, to release pain and disappointments from the year that has now passed. Like the Christ-light at Christmas, candles at Matariki remind us of the seven stars of the mother (Matariki) and her six daughters.

#### **RESPONSE**

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

REFLECTION

'Welcome back the Light'

**Susan Jones** 

### **CANDLE LIGHTING RITUAL**

Lynne O'Brien

Of the numerous stories associated with Matariki in Maori mythology, the most popular describes Matariki travelling across the sky annually with her daughters, to visit their tupuna wahine (grandmother) Papatuanuku, Mother Earth. Each star assists Papatuanuku prepare for the coming year, using their unique talents to bring Mauri to her different environments. Like the green man in pagan mythology, life force of the forest, Mauri is the life force, the vital essence or essential quality in each of us as individuals, as a community and communities of faith. In this tale, the gifts and talents – or Mauri - of the six daughters included tending of plants for food and medicine, care of the forests, wildlife, and waters, and support and encouragement of human tamariki (children of Papatuanuku and Rangi).

Your Mauri may be your kindness; a caring word or listening ear, a warm meal, or safe ride home. It may be gifts of music and song, gardening, knitting, teaching, writing, or being a loving parent or child. Perhaps you think your good works – your behind-the-scenes diligence - is unimportant, unnoticed. It is more likely it makes the difference between events running smoothly, on whom many people depend. Perhaps, Matariki marks the year in which you bring your light from behind the bushel, so others benefit from your Mauri.

In other stories, Matariki is seen as the homes of gods and the 'place where souls returned after death'. According to Juliet Batten, elder Taranaki Maori would prepare a hangi and when Matariki rose in the sky, people wept as the names of those deceased since the previous Matariki, were recited. Similarly, at Yule, the Yule log charcoal from the previous winter solstice is thrown on the fire and burned. Stories are told around the fire of deceased family members to welcome them in and join the living. Family stories often involve their Mauri and the impact it had on people's lives.

We can begin to see the symbol of the flame of a lighted candle as the Christ-light within each one of us. It shines bright to positively contribute to the world in very small and significant ways, just as the stars and talents of the six sisters and their mother burn bright at Matariki.

Around the room there are seven tables filled with candles. The tables represent the seven stars of Matariki. The candles represent your light or Mauri that shines bright at the winter New Year. We invite you to come and light a candle to celebrate your Mauri and that of your ancestors. You may also wish to light a candle for someone in the congregation who has died since the last Matariki.

A key aspect of the candle lighting ritual at the winter solstice is that each person lights their candle from the candle of the person sitting next to them. So, when the person next to you has lit their candle, before they place it on the table, light your candle from theirs. As you light your candle, say the words: "As the light returns, so my Mauri burns bright." For those of you who need to remain seated, people will bring a candle to you, for you to light.

### **HYMN**

'He Waiata mō Aotearoa (Song for Aotearoa)'

Words: © Bronwyn Angela White - Tune: Hanover WOV 67

Give thanks for Creation: orokohanga that cosmic explosion—our whakapapa; for logos and mythos, for spirit and word give thanks for the ethos through which they are heard. Remember ngā tūpuna—those gone before their stars shining on us in Aotearoa for we are the ashes of stars as they die niho taniwha on the cloak of the sky.

Give thanks for the speakers: ngā kaikōrero we hear and we listen—aroā whakarongo With courage, with passion we greet the new day ngā pā harakeke of cosmos and clay.

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

words by Bronwyn White

Wairua Tapu, Creative Spirit, as we bring our gifts, koha of hand and heart, inspire us to bring to life our vision of mana whenua where everyone is valued and understood. May the gifts of the spirit bud and flower and bear the spirit's fruit. Amine.

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 <u>briefly</u> from the lectern. For the benefit of newcomers, introduce yourself before you begin.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Lynne Dovey** 

#### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Philippines and the Christian World Service Partners in the Philippines working to improve family health and nutrition, income generation and community participation in vulnerable rural areas. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Adrian Rurawhe (Te Tai Hauāuru electorate) and Deborah Russell (New Lynn electorate). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Columba's Presbyterian Church, Taradale.

### PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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**HYMN** 

### AA 155 'Where mountains rise to open skies'

Words: © 1971 Shirley Erena Murray. Music by Vernon Griffiths Music: © 1971 Faber Music Ltd.

Where mountains rise to open skies Your name, O God, is echoed far, From island beach to kauri's reach In water's light, in lake and star.

Your people's heart, your people's part Be in our caring for this land, For faith to flower, for aroha To let each other's mana stand.

From broken word, from conflict stirred From lack of vision, set us free To see the line of your design, To feel creation's energy.

Your love be known, compassion shown That every child have equal scope: In justice done, in trust begun Shall be our heritage and hope.

Where mountains rise to open skies Your way of peace distil the air, Your spirit bind all humankind One covenant of life to share!

### **BLESSING**

### words Bronwyn White & Susan Jones

May the blessings of our ancestors be upon us all.

They set the pathway for us all to follow.

They gave us our heritage, and instilled in our hearts our culture and righteousness to assist us in whatever we do; with honour and a clear mind, and with love for each other.

Let us hold fast to this belief, go into the world determined to be ancestors whom others are proud to follow.

### **RESPONSIVE BLESSING**

words Anne Powell

Green of fern
Feathers of keruru
Rocks of Moeraki
Waters of Taupo
Dive of gannet
Arc of rainbow
Stars of the Southern Cross
Now and always...

refresh us
warm us
encircle us
bathe us
focus us
protect us
guide us

#### **SUNG AMEN**

**THANK YOU** 

**Vivien Chiu** 

Our Musician today

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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.

### 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/category/sunday-gathering

### 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

### SUNDAY GATHERINGS AT ST ANDREW'S IN JUNE-JULY

30 June Sunday Gathering for Matariki prep. by Susan, Lynne O'Brien, Bronwyn White followed by meeting of Rainbow room helpers during coffee time.

7 July Sunday Gathering: Communion led by Susan Jones welcoming new whanau.

'Bible: Literal or Symbolic?' followed by congregational conversation.

14 July Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal

21 July Sunday Gathering: led by Susan Jones 'Myth Misunderstood at the well'

28 July Sunday Gathering: led by Susan Jones 'Martha and Mary and Myth.'

#### **POETRY READING**

50 Shades of Light. Sunday 30th June 2:00-3:00pm. Relax and enjoy poems read by Kapiti-Mana poets Trish Harris, Adrienne Jansen, Anne Powell & Peter Rawnsley. St Theresa's Church Hall, cnr St Andrew's Road & St James Street, Plimmerton. Koha.

### SPIRITUAL PRACTICE WORKSHOPS. "LECTIO DIVINA".

Lectio Divina (literally "divine reading") is an ancient Christian Contemplative prayer practice which involves meditating on a short passage or poem. This can open us to glimpses of insight and wisdom which may support or challenge us in our daily lives. Each session will involve some theoretical input, followed by a period of meditation on a poem/passage.

Dates: Wednesday evenings 7-9pm, 7th /14th /21st /28th August and 4th and 11th and 18th September. At: St Andrew's on The Terrace Conference Centre.

Any queries contact Fiona McDougal by email fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com or text 021 2538911, or Susan by email minister@standrews.org.nz or text 027 321 4870.

### GIFT OF ST ANDREW'S MIRROR TO OMC

We've gifted a St Andrew's mirror to the College to mark their centenary. The College is delighted. Overall cost is around \$700. If anyone would like to contribute, please make payment to the church bank account; use QMC Mirror as the reference. The bank account number is: 020534 0004022 50. The mirror was designed by Sue McRae, her husband Rob Sowman and Basia Smolnicki to be presented to Lynne Dovey and Douglas Wood to mark completion of 'Saving St Andrew's'.

### **JULY SPIRITED CONVERSATION**

Tuesday July 9th at 6.15pm in Conference Rooms 1 & 2. Cost \$10. BYO.

Speaker: Marie Preston long-time member of St Andrews who has recently launched her book "Living with Cancer" will share a little of the journey of living with cancer, some principles for the journey and what this meant for her and the deepening role of the journey with God with each tumour. Her partner, Anne Hadfield, will be joining us and is happy to share her role as the Carer. RSVP via blue folder at back of the church.

### 2019 ORGAN FUNDRAISING CONCERTS IN CHURCH

The next Organ fundraising concert takes place on **Sunday 21 July** at 3 pm featuring Roy Tankersley MNZM, former organist and choir director at St Andrew's on The Terrace. Roy is the independent consultant to our organ restoration project. It'd be great to show Roy our appreciation of all that he still does for us. Please come and bring a friend.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY IN EMERGENCY**

Increasingly defibrillators are available if you are sure someone has had a heart attack. Of course, the first thing to do is to call 111 for an ambulance! If a defibrillator is needed, Bolton Hotel in Bolton St are happy for us to request their defibrillator. If you are not qualified in first aid, please

Roy Tankersley
Palmerston North

Alla Danza
Bach to Manuel de Falla
Chancel & Croft organs

3 pm Sunday 21 July
St Andrew's on The Terrace
Koha at door \$10

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follow the directions of, firstly, any medical doctor present, or trained nurse or trained first aider.

#### WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

### DCM BOOKFAIR

DCM's 24th annual fundraising Bookfair is on **Saturday 17 August 2019** at Shed 6, Queen's Wharf, 8am-6pm. We're calling on your help. We need the following roles:

- Publicity blitz leading up to the day Distributing throughout Wellington.
- Publicity blitz on the day Handing out flyers around the waterfront area, directing people to the Bookfair.
- Tills Handling cash transactions and bagging up books. Must have excellent customer service skills and able to do simple arithmetic.
- Floor and customer experience Tidying books and helping with customer queries. Need good English and able to learn the layout of the venue and books on the day.

- Welcoming & queue management Handing out bags/maps, directing customers, counting customers as they enter. Need confident, assertive communicators.
- Catering Assisting with the volunteer refreshments, keeping area stocked and clean. Must be well organised and thorough.
- Pack down Packing up at the end of the day. Must be prepared for physical labour. The day will be split into four shifts:
- 1st shift, 7:30am-12:00pm
- 2nd shift, 11:30am-3:00pm

- 3rd shift, 2:30pm-6:00pm
- Pack-down, 5:30pm-finish

DCM's 'publicity blitz' needs help before the day and the day itself. We need volunteers distributing flyers & posters round Wellington. Get in touch if you can help for more info. If able to volunteer please get back with your name, cell phone number, preferred role and shift to events@dcm.org.nz. Feel free to do more than one! For those volunteering for the third shift, let us know if you'd be happy to stay longer to help with the pack-down. DCM would love your book donations. Here's where to drop off your books here: <a href="https://www.dcm.org.nz/bookfair">https://www.dcm.org.nz/bookfair</a>. We appreciate donations of reusable bags to help make this year's Bookfair plastic bag free.

#### **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	Linda and Norman Wilkins	
Coffee/tea	Mike Wespel-Rose, Rosemary Lawrence, Graham Howell	
Time with the Children	Rosemary Lawrence	
Readings	Jenn Keenan	
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey	
Musician	Vivien Chiu	
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson	

On duty Sunday 7 July		
Welcoming	Lloyd Jobson, Molly Seah	
Sound	Norman Wilkins	
Offering	Graham Howell, Paul Satherley	
Coffee/tea	Gillian Feist, Pam Fuller, Sue Hirst	
Time with the Children	Susan Jones	
Readings	Frances Porter	
Prayers of the People	Sandra Kirby	
Communion	Rosemary Lawrence, Heather Macfarlane, Frank Cook,	
	Fiona McDougal, Cameron Smart	
Musician	Peter Franklin	
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson	

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

**Sunday 30 June 10am S**unday Gathering for Matariki prepared by Susan Jones, Lynne O'Brien & Bronwyn White. Followed by meeting of Rainbow Room helpers

Tuesday 2 July 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Wednesday 3 July Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

**Wednesday 3 July 12.15pm** Lunchtime Concert – Duett Isetta – Ingrid Schoenfeld (piano) and Genevieve Davidson (Saxophone)

**Sunday 7 July 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones, including welcoming new members

### 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
<b>Facilities Assistants</b>	Julia Caulfield and Nick Lee
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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