

ORDER OF SERVICE

21 July 2019

Pentecost 6



Myth misunderstood at the well

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

You never know who you might meet at the water cooler

When you are in the middle of your daily routine

Let us dip down deep into the heart of ourselves

And find what was always there, waiting for us to re-discover it

So may it be

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'The year is ever turning'

Words: © Susan Jones Music: Ewing WOV 346

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.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER and the LORD'S PRAYER FROM THE ARAMAIC

This rendering of the Lord's Prayer from the Aramaic is by Mark Hathaway and Neil Douglas-Klotz
(www.taofliberation.com and www.abwoon.com).

O Divine Womb,
birthing forth the river of blessing which runs through all,
 Soften the ground of our being,
 and hallow in us a space for the planting of thy presence.

In our depths,
sow thy seed with its greening-power
that we might be midwives to thy Reign.

 Then, let each of our actions
 bear fruit in accordance with thy desire.

Impart to us the wisdom to bring forth the gifts of the earth
and share them daily according to the needs of each being,
 and restore that which has been usurped
 by injustice to its rightful owners,
 as we restore to others that which is not our own.

Do not let us be seduced
by that which would divert us from our purpose,
but make us sensitive to the moment at hand.
 For from thy fertile soil is born the creativity,
 the life-energy, and the dance,
 from birthing to birthing. Ameyn.

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Susan Jones

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

John Harper

Hebrew Bible

Genesis 33: 18-20

Gospel

John 4

Contemporary reading

from "The Age of Spirit"

May 20, 2019, <https://cac.org/the-age-of-spirit-2019-05-20/>

The Spirit is like a homing device put inside of us, and all creation, too. For all of our ignorance and mistakes, there is in everything this deep, internal dignity convinced of its own value. This divine indwelling keeps insisting, "I am what I am seeking!"

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

'Myth misunderstood at the well'

Susan Jones

HYMN

'The woman came'

Music © 2019 Susan Jones Music: Repton WOV 519(ii)

The woman came along that day for water from the well
The other women had gone home, they didn't want to know her well
She was left out, all alone, she was left out, alone.

She found a stranger sitting there, on her well's stony rim.
He was a man, and she was not, she didn't think she'd talk to him
He and her sort didn't talk, he and her sort don't talk.

But they discussed and argued long on water, life, and prayer.
He challenged her, she challenged him, they met, connected just right there;
Things would never be the same, they'd never be the same.

We do not know what encounters wait to meet us on our way.
How strangers can reset our lives, how we can learn anew each day
that the Spirit is within, the Spirit is within.

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Barrie Keenan

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Puerto Rico and the Council of Churches of Puerto Rico. We remember the detainees on Manus and Nauru islands and yearn that their cases be resolved. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Chlöe Swarbrick and Fletcher Tabuteau list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Andrew's Central Hawkes Bay.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

FFS 67'We are many, we are one'

Words and Music: © 1998 Colin Gibson

We are many, we are one, and the work of Christ is done
when we learn to live in true community,
as the stars that fill the night, as a flock of birds in flight,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the branches of a tree, as the waves upon the sea,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

All division is made whole when we honour every soul,
find the life of God in every you and me,
as the fingers of a hand, as the grains that form the sand,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the threads upon the loom, as a field of flowers in bloom,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

We will join creation's song, make a world where all belong,
build as one in peace and loving harmony,
as the voices of a choir, as the flames within a fire,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the snowflakes in the snow, as the colours of a bow,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

SPOKEN BLESSING

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 49 'May the God of new beginnings'

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May the God of new beginnings start with you and me
May the God of continuing story speak through you and me,
May the God of infinite wisdom shine in you and me
May the God of safe homecomings welcome you and me

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

"The Dam Busters March"

by Eric Coates (1886 – 1957)

THANK YOU

Peter Franklin

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

SUNDAY GATHERINGS AT ST ANDREW'S IN JULY

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.'

2019 ORGAN FUNDRAISING CONCERTS IN CHURCH

The next Organ fundraising concert takes place this afternoon, **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.

HOW DOES AN ORGAN WORK?

Roy Tankersley who is giving an organ recital this afternoon, 21 July at 3 pm is a man of many talents, one of these being that he is a teacher.



One way of teaching how organs work is through a mechanism called a WOOFYT. This is a mechanical tabletop device that fourteen people operate to demonstrate action of an organ. Roy has kindly offered to bring his WOOFYT with him on 21 July and will be happy to demonstrate it, with assistance, after his recital. Vivien is assembling a WOOFYT team at present. If you are interested, please contact her. Otherwise just come along and be part of the fun. Children and families especially welcome, but no-one is too old to participate!
Lynne

ST ANDREW'S TRUST FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND SOCIETY WINTER LECTURE:

"Family violence - working our way through a complex problem."

Speakers: Prof. Dawn Elder and Dr Ben Gray. **Friday July 26th 6pm**
at St Andrew's on the Terrace. Light refreshments on arrival. Cost \$10

Registration: email admin@satrs.org.nz.



Roy Tankersley

Organist

Alla Danza

Bach to Manuel de Falla
Chancel & Croft organs



3 pm Sunday 21 July

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Entry by Koha (suggested \$10)

2019 ORGAN FUNDRAISER CONCERT SERIES

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SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION EDUCATION GROUP EVENTS

Wednesday **24 July** 10.30am, Graham Howell, is making an oral submission on the Credit Contracts Bill. He will speak not directly on the proposed legislation which is designed to better control the non-bank lending system, but on why people need such loans in the first place. Poverty and Work and Incomes policies and processes set by Ministers of Social Development over the years and as yet not changed about responding to poor people getting loans from Work and Income.

28 July SJEG Sunday week, 28th, regarding our very own John Morgan and "United Nations - A critical international institution in financial crisis", from 11:45am-1pm

MUSIC FUTURES

Music Futures is presenting its annual Sound of Youth Music concert at 3 pm on **Sunday 28 July** with a fabulous line-up of some of our best young musicians.



MUSIC FUTURES
presents the sound of
Wellington Youth Music

WHERE: St Andrew's on The Terrace
WHEN: Sunday 28 July 3 pm

FEATURING:
Sixteen Strings winner regional contest
Rerekē
The Evensong Trio
Schickele Split
Wellington College Chorale
Stringendo Orchestra

Tickets: Adults \$15, students \$5
Book now: www.eventfinda.co.nz; door sales available

Generously sponsored by St Andrew's on The Terrace and Mokoia Masonic Perpetual Trust

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 involves some theoretical input, and 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.

ZERO CARBON SUBMISSION MADE 16 JULY

If you would like to sign our submission please do so at the back of the church today.

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

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

JUDITH COWLEY'S WALK A MILE FILM

I am excited to let you know that our film "Walk a Mile" will be screened with 4 other short films at the NZIFF on **Saturday August 10th** at the City Gallery. Be in quick to book as there is only one Wellington screening. Judith Cowley.

DCM BOOKFAIR

This year's Bookfair will be held on Saturday 17 August, 8am-6pm, at Shed 6 - and we need your help to ensure it's a huge success. Please join and share our Facebook event to help us spread the word - www.facebook.com/events/2200885046614000

We are looking for great locations for signage to help advertise this year's Bookfair. Do you have a prominent fence or front garden in Wellington we could utilise? Please get in touch! Deliver your quality secondhand books for our Bookfair until 20 July - find out how here: www.dcm.org.nz/bookfair. Can you volunteer at the DCM Bookfair?

Email us at events@dcm.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	Valerie and Alan Rhodes
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Offering	John Morgan, Paul Satherley
Coffee/tea	Roger Jones, Sandra and Tony Kirby
Time with the Children	Susan Jones
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Catriona Cairns
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Graham Howell

On duty 28 July

Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Trish McBride
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Offering	Fiona McDougal, Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Catriona Cairns, Gillian Feist, James Cone
Time with the Children	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Jenn Kennan
Prayers of the People	Barrie Keenan
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Molly Seah

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 21 July 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones, then Exploring Faith study group (CR3)

Tuesday 23 July 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Wednesday 24 July Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 24 July 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Woodwind Quintet - Rebecca Steel Flute, Calvin Scott oboe, Vivien Reid Horn, Oscar Lavern bassoon, Moira Hurst clarinet.

Sunday 28 July 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones followed by Social Justice meeting (CR3)

To: The Environment Select Committee
Submission on the Climate Change response (Zero Carbon) Amendment Bill
From: St Andrew's on the Terrace Presbyterian Church

ST. ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S SUBMISSION ON THE ZERO CARBON BILL

St Andrew's on The Terrace applauds and supports the intent of this Bill

Who we are:

St Andrew's is an inner-city Presbyterian church in the capital. We run the busy St Andrew's Centre, hiring meeting and concert spaces to corporates, government departments and community groups. We support other groups who work with issues we espouse through pro bono use of our rooms.

This submission arises from consultation within a small group of congregational members. At the public hearings we will bring a list of signatories from our congregation.

Climate change is a social justice issue:

For the St Andrew's congregation which administers the Centre's work, social justice is one of six main priorities:

Faith in Action: St Andrew's expresses its faith commitments in social justice and service. St Andrew's life is marked by an awareness of and commitment to global peace and justice, including economic and environmental justice. We will work to make a difference in the local community in connecting diverse communities and promoting social cohesion and reconciliation. We are committed to sustainability through care of the environment; care for people and places. (Revised 2018).

We see climate change and its increasingly disastrous effects on both human and non-human populations as a social justice issue.

Theological understandings behind this submission:

St. Andrew's has a history of almost 180 years of working for social justice in Wellington and the wider New Zealand community. Our Theologian in Residence, Rev. Professor Sir Lloyd Geering has published and lectured on the Greening of Christianity. As a Christian Church our purpose is to continue the work of the ancient prophets, Jesus himself and people of faith and conscience. This gives us the responsibility to do all we can to avert catastrophic change in the climate.

We recognize significant change in the world's climate would lead to disruption and destruction of the world's ecosystems with extinction of many species. These systems/species are defenseless against this. We humans have caused this situation, this "ecocide." Only we humans can avert it.

Christian and inter faith connections: bad and good

We are uncomfortably aware some biblical interpretations led to the Christian church privileging human beings and their industry in the matter of who is entitled to environmental resources. The seventeenth century Protestant Reformation had the unintended consequence of deifying business and profit. We want that unfortunate trend to be reversed.

Government may now, however, find people and organizational resources within Christianity and other faiths who help to promote the zero-carbon message. Aid

organizations such as Christian World Service have valuable contacts on the ground in the Pacific Islands. These could provide useful networks for zero carbon initiatives within Pacific territories for which New Zealand is responsible.

A moral imperative

A drastic change in our climate will affect all humanity as well as other living things. The poorest and most defenseless people will be least able to adapt to it and could bear the brunt of the suffering that is created. We believe our Christian and national responsibility is to care in particular for the most vulnerable, an example seen in the life of Jesus.

New Zealand is particularly well endowed compared to many other countries with wealth, education and renewable resources for energy production. We have capacity to take action, therefore we have a moral responsibility to lead the world in showing the way to a safe and sustainable future.

We applaud the intent of this bill.

- We particularly endorse the adoption of **1.5 degrees as a benchmark** for ongoing sustainability of the planet.
- We request reaching and maintaining zero carbon status be made **a bipartisan issue**. This would mean changes in government do not set it at risk. We have seen this bipartisan approach with the gun control bill. Let us do this with this equally important matter.
- We request **a just process and just transitions** be used in legislating for inevitable changes to job and industry infrastructure. May not only the poorer sections of society be adversely affected as jobs shift from a fossil fuels base to more sustainable bases.
- We ask for **local and national government to be treated equally** with other business and industry in being held to account for breaches or successes in moving towards zero carbon.

More detailed comments:

- We ask that the Bill is enforceable. In particular, **Section 5ZK** should read “A person or body ***must*** take the 2050 target or an emissions budget into account in the performance of a public function...”
- Similarly in **Section 5ZL** should read “...the responsible Minister ***must*** issue guidance for departments on how to take the 2050 target or an emissions budget into account
- The definition of net emissions does not allow for **novel future options**. For example, where would Direct Air Capture fit?
- **Clause 5H (1) (d) (iii)**: It seems possible for the **Ministerial appointed Commission** to have little knowledge of the energy sector. This clause allows for these technical and professional skills, but the broader energy sector is critical and requires specific mention.
- **Clause 8 5N. Independence from Government** is important. While it may be necessary to allow Ministerial direction (5N(2)) it would be a safeguard to require any such direction to be made public.

It is well known that the time we humans have to take effective action is short and the longer we put off changing the current frameworks, the more drastic and disruptive the necessary action will be. The time to act is now. We urge the government to treat this matter with genuine urgency and not delay action. For the sake of all life on Earth, but especially for the most vulnerable, we need to stop adding greenhouse gases to our atmosphere. Please act decisively!

We would like to support our submission in person.

Rev Norman Wilkins, Rev Dr Susan Jones & Parishioners of St Andrew's on The Terrace

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	Julia Caulfield and Nick Lee
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

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