

ORDER OF SERVICE

13 October 2019

Pentecost 18



St Andrew's on The Terrace Pillar:

Community and Place

St Andrew's is a caring community, where everyone is valued, and included regardless of age, race, class, ethnicity, gender, religion or sexual orientation.

We seek to strengthen our public identity as a progressive, welcoming, thinking church that connects with people in Wellington and New Zealand.

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

All are welcome here

Easily said, but taking more effort in practice

All are welcome here

***Not just the fashionable in group which needs support
but also the regular, ordinary, sometimes irritating ones***

All are welcome here

Even those who do not fall into any listed category

All are welcome here

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Celebrate the Life we're given'

Words: © 2015 Susan Jones

Music: WOV 577 Austria

Celebrate the Life we're given
Grace on grace, where love abounds
Celebrate the world around us
Blue and green, where birdsong sounds
Celebrate sun's rise and setting
'cross the harbour, over hills
Everything reflects its making
Beauty, love, joy; each heart fills.

We choose to live lives of meaning
even when the sky turns grey.
We choose to continue journeying
Cis and trans, bi, straight and gay.
We choose wrestling doubt or danger,
Trials may shadow, haunt our way.
But we know that we're companioned,
Love walks with us, every day.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card and screens

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Jenny Simpson

BLESSING THE CHILDREN *(All stand)*

We hope you enjoy the activities at the back of the church. ***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

Norman Wilkins

Gospel

Luke 8: 1-3 and Mark 3: 31-35.

Contemporary reading

"Trinitarian Community and Social Liberation"

By Leonardo Boff and Paul Burns *CrossCurrents* Vol. 38, No. 3 (Fall 1988), p. 289

The conviction that has guided all debates on the trinity: that the eternal God is three – Father Son and Holy Spirit – has to be presented in the most real way possible, this is the primordial and essential question, with that of the unity of the Three Persons following later. But affirming the real existence of the Three is not enough: we have to place equal stress on the relationship that obtains between them; the existence of the one God is made up of the most complete communion and the most absolute and eternal participation. The unity of the three Persons expresses the infinite dynamism of communion and interpenetration prevailing in the Holy Trinity.

Leonardo Boff was one of the key figures in the South American liberation theology movement

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION *'Community and Place: Who are we in the world?'*
Susan Jones

HYMN

'It takes us effort'

Words © 2019 Susan Jones Tune: WOV 455 Slane

It takes us effort to give things away;
Our money, or goods, or our time, many ways.
We know we are charged with relieving the poor
and charity always demands of us more.

It takes great effort to advocate true
for those who need systems to be well renewed;
through submissions, marches, we seek human rights
but are distant from those for whom we might fight.

It takes more effort to welcome right in
the different, or 'other', those who never win;
to make space as equals and share goods with all
requires us to relegate our needs to the call.

It takes most effort to incarnate the Christ
to work contr'y to this world's great power and might;
to be 'with' the other not only do 'for',
to be equal humans, equal right to the core

OFFERING PRAYER *(said together)*

We offer in silence our prayers together with our gifts

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.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***A caring community,
where everyone is valued and included regardless,
takes time and effort.***

***It requires paying attention
to those who may get lost among the crowd;***

*It requires compassion
for those who struggle;
It needs grace
for making space for those who are different;
It needs
a lack of possessiveness or territoriality;
It depends upon
dissolution of 'us and 'them' thinking;
It depends upon
a firm centre with a permeable boundary
so anyone can enter and find their place
in relation to that centre
which holds us all together.*

*We here today affirm our intention
to give that time,
apply that effort
and seek that grace
so all truly feel welcome here.*

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

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Spain and the Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church. We remember the detainees on Manus and Nauru Islands, yearning that their cases be resolved. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Kiritapu Alan and Ginny Andersen list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Johnsonville Uniting Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card and screens

HYMN

FFS 32 'God who sets us on a journey'

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Music: WOV 165 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

SUNG AMEN

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>

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.

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 OCTOBER

October: Being Church

We are in the second half of a 6-part series on the Pillars undergirding St Andrew's' life

October 13 'Community and Place: Who are we in the world?'

October 20 'Faith in Action: walking the Talk'

October 27 Reformers' Sunday: 'What does being a Progressive Church mean?'

BLOWIN' IN THE WIND

St Andrew's expedition to the wind farm at Makara is planned for this Sunday afternoon, weather permitting, following our parish lunch. Dene Halverson has six places in his coach at \$20 each. Bring walking shoes, parkas with hoods, gloves. Our expedition had been postponed to avoid disturbing lambing during August and September.

In physics-speak, hills, ridges and escarpments all cause the wind blowing over them to go faster, up to half as fast again as the same wind blowing over flat ground. But by comparison with water or steam the energy is dilute, so the rotating blades that harness some of that energy need to be huge and there must be many of them.

The moving air, the breath, the spirit, is part of creation. We perceive it by its speed and its substance, we value its generosity in giving of itself. When we stand under a mighty blade, watching it scything down towards us, we can feel awe. But when we look across the hills and the seas, we can be reminded of the spirit of God moving upon the face of the waters, humbling us into submission.

Google west wind makara. Cameron Smart

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

The AGM for St Andrew's on The Terrace will be held on **Sunday 3 November** after church starting at 11:45 am.

All are welcome, but note that members and associate members only are eligible to participate in voting.

The Annual Report will be available in draft (because we are waiting for the audit to be completed) at least one week in advance.

There are no new gaps on Parish Council this year. Katrina Harper and Lynne Dovey are eligible for re-election for a second term of 3 years.

Parish Council.

SPIRITUAL PRACTICES WEEKEND WORKSHOP 15th -17th November

Friday 7pm-9pm, Saturday 10am-12 and 130pm-4pm, and Sunday 1-3pm.

"Lectio Divina literally "sacred reading", is an ancient Christian contemplative prayer practice enjoying a revival among laypeople.... a practice of being present to each moment in a heart-centered way". (CV Paintner). If you are interested in coming along or want to find out more, please contact Fiona McDougal fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com.

ROSTER VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR OPERATING THE LAPTOP

Now the new screens have been installed in the church, we need to add another duty to the Sunday rosters. If you would like to be included on the roster to operate the laptop, sitting alongside the sound operator at the back of the church, please let Jillene know by emailing office@standrews.org.nz.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION WORKSHOP

Susan is offering a workshop on powerpoint preparation. She would like to hear from you if you are interested - email minister@standrews.org.nz or text 027 321 4870.

Two nights are being offered: 7-9pm Thursday October 17th and Monday October 21st in the St Andrew's Centre. Let Susan know which night you will be attending. Please bring a laptop if you have one.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLEASE BE AWARE

The health and safety of everyone in our community is important. It is good that lots of people remain after the Gathering for morning tea. Here we have a lively mixture of hot drinks, elderly people, children and a number of people in a small space. Please watch for children. We have supplied areas to sit and enjoy your conversation. Please feel free to move chairs in the last couple of rows to make more room. 'All' are welcome, let's keep 'all' safe!

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

PSC'S (Presbyterian Support) 110TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

5pm Monday 21st October 2019 at Presbyterian Support Central, 3-5 George Street, Thorndon, Wellington.

NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL

Presented by the Zimbelstern Foundation, the New Zealand International Organ Festival continues

October 13th (today) the programme will be performed by New Zealand Organists Michael Stoddart and Paul Rosoman in a programme of organ duets. Concerts are at St Mary of the Angels in Boulcott Street Wellington, commencing at 2.00pm, free entry.

TE WHAKAHOUTANGA | FOSTERING THE GOOD, TRUE AND BEAUTIFUL

E rau rangatira mā, tihei mauri ora! Nei rā te reo maioha o te komiti whakahaere a Te Whakahoutanga e mihi ana ki a koutou, e hoa mā.
Mā te Wairua Tapu e whakangākau tā tātou mahi tahi.

You are warmly invited to join in Te Whakahoutanga: Fostering the Good, True and Beautiful.

Te Whakahoutanga, meaning ‘the renewal’, provides an opportunity for Christian scholars and researchers from across the disciplines to step back from their daily routines. It is not your usual academic conference; it is rather something like a mini-sabbatical. This hui creates space for rejuvenation and restoration. Taking place on Victoria’s beautiful Te Herenga Waka Marae on 15–16 February, the kaupapa seeks to make room for plenty of karakia, kai and kōrero. We will be inspired by listening to stories from emerging Kiwi scholars from a broad range of disciplines. Wellington is always lovely in February, and there will be time to sit around and bask in the sunshine, while lazily dunking gingernuts biscuits into a warm cuppa tea and talking with new friends.

The conference is for Christians engaged in research or scholarship, including university faculty, postgraduate students, independent scholars, and researchers working for government and the commercial sector.

10am Saturday 15 February – 4pm Sunday 16 February.

The hui will take place at Te Herenga Waka Marae, Victoria University of Wellington (46 Kelburn Parade, Wellington). The wharenuī can sleep up to 70 people on Saturday 15 February. Space is reserved on a first come, first served basis. You can indicate this on the registration form. If you intend to stay on the wharenuī, you will need to provide your own pillow and sleeping bag (or similar). Mattresses will be provided.

Two lunches, dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday will be provided at Te Herenga Waka Marae, and these are included in the cost for the hui.

Whānau is more than welcome on Saturday afternoon and evening. An all-age, family-friendly option will be included among the workshops on Saturday afternoon. Dinner on Saturday will be a little bit special and whānau are more than welcome to join in the fun. The evening will be relaxed and family-friendly, with lots of kai and a celebratory vibe. If any family members come along, we’d greatly appreciate a koha to help cover meal costs. Early bird conference fees, for registrations by 16 December 2019, are \$40 waged and \$20 student / unwaged. Late registrations after this date are \$100 waged and \$50 student / unwaged.

Check out our Facebook page. Further updates about the hui, including updates on speakers and the conference schedule will be posted on the Facebook page as they become available. Email Phil and Mel for inquiries or if you have any questions: tewhakahoutanga@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	Pam Fuller, Jeni Bryant
Sound	Paul Satherley
Offering	Barrie and Jenn Keenan
Coffee/tea	Andrew and Wendy Matthews, Graham Howell, Katrina Harper
Time with the Children	Jenny Simpson
Readings	Norman Wilkins
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Rainbow Room Helper	Sonia Groes-Petrie

On duty Sunday 20 October	
Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Margaret Rushbrook
Sound	Sue Hirst
Offering	Catriona Cairns, Graham Howell
Coffee/tea	Frank Cook, James Cone, Norman Wilkins
Time with the Children	Sue McRae
Readings	Barrie Keenan
Prayers of the People	Jim Cunningham
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Rainbow Room Helper	Ellen Murray

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 13 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones followed by community brunch in the hall

Tuesday 15 October 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Wednesday 16 October Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 16 October 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Viola Students of the NZSM

Sunday 20 October 10am Sunday Gathering led by Susan Jones followed by Exploring the Faith study group studying chapter 11 of *Religion as Metaphor: Beyond Literal Belief*. Question guide available October 13. Two books still available for sale.

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
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Faith in Action Co-ordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jules Collinson
Centre Manager	Laetitia Brunell
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
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