



180 years 1840 - 2020
St Andrew's
on The Terrace

ORDER OF SERVICE

8 March 2020

Lent 2



*Time's up! God's kingdom (reign) is here.
Change your life and believe the Message.*

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.

As we have a dialogue today rather than the usual reflection there will not be any copies available at the back of the church for people to pick 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.

OUR GATHERING WORDS

We gather today realising it is now March, autumn is upon us.

Time is passing, the days are shorter, even if drier and warmer.

There are different things to think about and do.

How do we take care of ourselves?

How do we nurture and enhance our relationships with others?

So, we come now to celebrate this life that we are given

To reflect, remember, and plan for what we might do

So, supporting each other let us set out together.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Celebrate the life we're given'

Words © by Susan Jones

Tune WOV 577 Austria, 2 verses

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

JESUS PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase on card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cameron Smart

BLESSING THE CHILDREN *(All stand)*

We send you to the Rainbow Room 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!

HYMN

FFS 32 'God who sets us on a journey'

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Music: WOV 165 (ii) Blaenwern 4 verses

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Patty Compeau

Hebrew Bible

Genesis 12:1-4a

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So, Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.

When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Contemporary reading

from "New World New God"

by Ian Harris

"To the Jews of Jesus day, a huge gulf lay between God and humanity. "I am God and not man" the prophet Hosea has God say.

But the band of Jews who lived close to Jesus became convinced, against all their natural inclinations, that they had somehow experienced God through him. This led in turn to the astonishing conclusion that he must be the one chosen by God to restore the fortunes of his people, in a word, the Messiah.

Obviously, they believed they were coming to know God through this flesh-and-blood man, something was beginning to happen to the established notion of a remote theistic God.

To be true to their experience they would have to make room for the human Jesus in the godhead itself. So, they gathered Jesus up into their understanding of God.

It was never two gods they were describing (nor, with the addition of the Holy Spirit, three gods), but different aspects of the one God. but nor was it the old theistic God anymore, because now it included Jesus as an integral component. Jesus followers had broken new ground to discover God beyond the theism they had grown up with.

Instead of building on that, however, the leaders of the church of that day found it more congenial to reassert theism. So, they squeezed Jesus back into a mould that did not threaten the traditional theistic understanding. The emphasis switched from God becoming human, to Jesus being God. And the more this became the focus the easier it was for the church to maintain and even extend the gulf between the holy God and sinful humankind.

Today, however, as theism loses its hold on Western societies, the potential of that dramatic development in the first 400 years of the Christian era is starting to be realised in a new way.”

RESPONSE

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

DIALOGUE

Jim Symons and Barrie Keenan

HYMN

FFS 67 'We are many we are one'

Words & Music © 1998 Colin Gibson, Hamilton 3 verses

OFFERING PRAYER *(said together)*

*To compassion and justice we commit ourselves.
To the care and nurture of the earth we commit ourselves.
To work out your love and purpose we commit ourselves.
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

Ellen Murray

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan and all those working to defend human rights in the region. We remember the detainees of Manus and Nauru Islands, yearning that their cases be resolved. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Anahila Kanongata'a-Suisuiki and Tutehounuku Korako (Nuk) list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the Central Presbytery Staff.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

on card

HYMN

'We shall go out with hope into tomorrow'

Words by June Boyce Tillman © 1993 Stainer & Bell Ltd

Tune: Londonderry Air CH 4 729 2 verses

BLESSING *(said together)*

***Go safely into this day and this week
trusting that love is moving towards you,
because the God of love will go with you
and be with you in your encounters
with people and situations.***

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill

Our musician today

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Words/music to new hymns and gathering statement, prayers and affirmation are original unless acknowledged.

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, and do not park in carparks No.s 14, 19 & 20.

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

GATHERINGS IN MARCH 2020

- March 8 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Barrie Keenan,
Reflection Rev. Jim Symons from USA
- March 15 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. John Howell
- March 22 10am Service in memory of Shirley Murray
- March 29 10am Service Service led by Ellen Murray
- Note. The study group will resume on 19th April.

Faith in Action: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY APPEAL

This SUNDAY 8th March and also 15th MARCH

General Assembly 2016 agreed to ask parishes to have a special offering to help the Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa NZ (PWANZ). This special offering will be on March 8th and 15th and will help fund our delegate to attend the Commission on the Status of Women UN, in New York, where we have special status and membership. The main focus this year will be to mark the 25th Anniversary of the World Conference on Women held in Beijing in 1995 and review the Beijing Plan for Action.

If you wish to make a donation, please put it in an envelope labeled Women's Day Appeal and place it in the offering plate. Thank you. Lois Robertson

Faith in Action: GOOD NEWS! A special **thank you** to Barrie Keenan who has agreed to be our parish coordinator for "Submissions" for 2020. Feel free to contact him: *Phone* 04 476 7059; *Mobile* 027 285 7275; *Email* barrie@keenan.co.nz He might contact you too, as he will be relying on parish expertise for input into various issues as they arise! (Margaret Rushbrook, Faith in Action Coordinator)

POEMS FOR LENT 2020

Poems for Lent will discuss the poets Rua Kenana, Naomi Shihab Nye, Mary Oliver, Wendell Berry and Elizabeth Bishop.

The four sessions will be held at Ngaio Union Church on Thursdays 12th, 19th and 26th March and 2nd April. The morning session will begin at 10:30am, with a repeat at 7pm for those busy during the day.

Handout photocopied resources will be distributed. Please feel free to make a donation towards costs. John Howell. john@howell.org.nz

CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY ROSTER

Thanks very much to those who have agreed to be on the library roster. I really appreciate it. Unfortunately!! a couple of people who volunteered in passing have slipped my mind as to who they are. My problem is I am often thinking about several things at the same time. Can everyone who volunteered for library roster just send me a quick confirmation email so I know my list is correct.

mikewr09@gmail.com

AMNESTY NEWS

Dear everybody. Behind the scenes I am working to keep our Amnesty International relationship active.

1. Our next church letter writing event will be on Sunday the 10th May. It will be set up in a corner of the hall during shared lunch. Everyone who wishes to is welcome to write a letter.
2. Amnesty calls themselves a "Light in the Darkness". I feel strongly that they perform a highly valuable role for good in the world. You may like to make a one off or ongoing donation to support them with their work. If so please visit this site

<https://www.amnesty.org.nz/donate>

3. Here is a link to 4 cases that Amnesty NZ is focussing on at the moment. Of course you can write letters off your own bat. Any letters should be sent by mid April.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1uKKxSdO4ryClGYzQvB_jjV5mwaTrqbm-/view?usp=sharing. Many thanks everybody. Mike Wespel-Rose

PARKING ON SUNDAYS

The car parks are for the most-part privately rented. During office hours parking must be arranged with the office prior to parking. Outside of office hours (That is after 6pm weekdays, and weekends) single parks No. 1-13 are available. Car parks 14 – 28 are privately rented 24 -7 (that is all day every day). However during the Sunday morning service only it is understood that the parish can use parks 15 – 18 and 21-28. Cones are put out Sunday mornings 9am until lunchtime in parks 14 19 and 20 as a reminder that these parks still must be kept free. And remember, parking on the streets is restricted to two hours in the weekends.

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

LEADERSHIP AT A CROSSROADS - A PUBLIC LECTURE BY RON WHITE

Lincoln and Trump – a public lecture by Dr Ron White on Sunday, 8 March 2020 at St John's in the City at 2:30 pm

in 2020, concerns and worries about leadership are being voiced and hopefully heard in conversations in many parts of the world. What qualities do we want in leaders today? Are there moral and spiritual dimensions to authentic leadership? Are there examples from history that can inform our hopes in these tumultuous times?

Ron White, an American presidential historian, will convene a conversation based on his biographies of Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S Grant but also speaking to contemporary anxieties and aspirations both in the USA and also in NZ. Ron is an ordained Presbyterian minister who has served as pastor, College Chaplain and Dean of a theological seminary having taught at UCLA and the Princeton Theological Seminary.

Sunday 8th March 2020, 2:30pm at St John's in the City, corner of Willis and Dixon Streets., Free entry.

Leadership at a Crossroads:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/148112306225153/>.

iCAN AOTEAROA NZ

The NPT AT 50: Prospects for Nuclear Disarmament

A symposium considering the state of nuclear disarmament ahead of the 2020 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference

Where: Banquet Hall, Parliament Buildings, Wellington

When: from 9.00am-4.15pm, **Tuesday 10 March 2020.**

Keynote address: UN High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, Izumi Nakamitsu

Link to share:

<https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/2744638772250141>

INVITATION TO CHRISTCHURCH REMEMBRANCE EXHIBITION

15th March 2020 10:00am-4:00pm – TSB Auditorium, Shed 6, 4 Queens Wharf, Te Aro, Wellington.

15th of March 2020 marks the first memorial of Christchurch terror attack. Federation of Islamic associations of NZ (FIANZ) and Wellington City Council would like to invite you to an Exhibition and a remembrance day that aims at bringing all people from across Aotearoa to remember the day that made New Zealander's more united, and show the world that we are a cohesive nation and will not allow racism and hatred to define our country. Visitors are more than welcomed to bring flowers and cards to the Victims Remembrance tables and share the Invitation with their network.

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP - LAY PREACHERS' WORKSHOP:

21 March 2020, 9:30 to 12:00 noon at Waiwhetu Uniting Church, 6 Trafalgar Street.

Waiwhetu Lower Hutt Leader: Philip Garside. Guest composer: Jonathan Berkahn

RSVP to Lyn Price: Email: pricenw@xtra.co.nz or Phone: 567 4356

More information at:

<https://philipgarsidepublishingltdfreebooks.s3-ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/Music-for-Worship-flier-21-March-2020.pdf>

RIDING THROUGH RETIREMENT ON A JOURNEY FOR A GOOD CAUSE

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/119860119/riding-through-retirement-on-a-journey-for-a-good-cause>

VISITING SCHOLAR PÁDRAIG Ó TUAMA 15-21 MARCH 2020

Pádraig Ó Tuama is an Irishman, a poet and a genuine human being .

We are thrilled Pádraig is coming to Wellington as the St John's Visiting Scholar.

Pádraig's work addresses issues of language, power, reconciliation and religion. He is the former leader of Corrymeela, Ireland's oldest peace and reconciliation organisation. His numerous books include *In the Shelter*, *Sorry for Your Troubles*, and *Readings from the Book of Exile*, and he presents the #1 Apple Arts Chart podcast *Poetry Unbound*, from the On Being project.



**Poetry and Prayer:
surviving and thriving
in our lives**

Pádraig Ó Tuama

A half-day workshop
exploring contemporary poems
as a way of deepening
the inner life

*Toi Whakaari: New Zealand Drama School
11 Hutchison Road, Newtown*

Saturday 21 March, 9:30 - 12:30pm

Tickets \$25 from Eventfinda

Tickets \$25 from Eventfinda: <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/poetry-and-prayer-surviving-and-thriving-in-our-lives/wellington-region>

Poetry and Prayer

workshop: <https://www.facebook.com/events/746641595865347/>.

SEVEN WEEKS FOR WATER 2020

The World Council of Churches Ecumenical Water Network (WCC-EWN) invites you to use the season of Lent to reflect on water. Since 2008, the WCC-EWN through its campaign "Seven Weeks for Water" - has been providing weekly theological reflections and other resources on water for the seven weeks of Lent and for World Water Day on **22 March** (which always falls during the Lenten period). The WCC's Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace has a regional focus on the Pacific Region in 2020. Accordingly, the Seven Weeks for Water this year will take us on a pilgrimage of water justice in the Pacific region.

Links to weekly reflections can be found at:

<https://water.oikoumene.org/en/whatwedo/seven-weeks-for-water/seven-weeks-for-water-2020>

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	Graham Howell, Pat Booth
Sound	Paul Satherley
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Sue Hirst, Sonia Groes-Petrie
Coffee/tea	Wendy and Andrew Matthews, James Cone
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	Patty Compeau
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Rainbow Room Helper	Katrina Harper

On duty Sunday 15 March

Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Pam Fuller
Sound	Bronwyn White
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	James Cone, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Frank Cook, Lois Robertson, Margaret Harper
Time with the Children	John Howell
Readings	Barrie Keenan
Prayers of the People	Cameron Smart
Musician	Peter Franklin
Rainbow Room Helper	Fionnaigh McKenzie

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 8th March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Barrie Keenan, visiting Minister Rev. Jim Symons from USA followed by lunch at a nearby café.

Tuesday 10th March 12.30pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

Wednesday 11th March Cuppa and a Chat from 10.30am in the Centre

Wednesday 11th March 12.15pm Lunchtime Concert - Gabriele Geschwenter, piano

Sunday 15th March 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. John Howell

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

Interim Moderator	Catriona Cairns
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	Mark Stamper
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
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