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The Lorax, Dr. Seuss

The 180th anniversary of the signing of te Tiriti o Waitangi at Te Whanganui-ā-Tara Wellington 29 April 1840

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.

This Service is conducted by Rev. Dr. Niki Francis

PRELUDE

Largo from "Xerxes"

by G.F. Handel (1685 – 1759)

MIHI WHAKATAU – WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

KARANGA – GATHERING CALL

Inspired by stories of hope and injustice, we gather this day to embrace the task that is ours.

May our hearts be strong for the work we find may our minds be open to the challenges it provides us may our bodies be ready when the call comes so that no one is ever left behind.

On this promises we stand as those who see this world clearly and yet would see it no other way.

Amen

(Adapted from "So Easy" by Gretta Vosper, in "We All Breathe: Poetry for Reflection, Book 3", Gretta Vosper: Toronto, 2012.)

HĪMENE – HYMN

'Where Mountains Rise to Open Skies' (verses 2 and 3)

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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.

^{*} aroha = te reo Māori word for "all-embracing love"

^{**} mana = te reo Māori for prestige, authority, control, power, influence.

KARAKIA – PRAYER

It would be so easy if we were given something
That might tell us clearly
What it is we are here to do, to be, to offer
We have but stories of what has been
Tales of what was hoped for and did not turn out,
Ideas of what might make things better
May the story we hear this week
Inspire us in ways that bring us a hope-filled clarity
About who we are, what we can do,
What our lives might be about.
As we walk this winding path,
may we see the love and passion of those who journey with us
and support and nurture each other in the work we set out to do.

Amen

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TE KĀNARA O TE WHARE ĀNIWANIWA – LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE Kezia and Jasper

E TO MATOU MATUA I TE RANGI—Lord's Prayer

Fionnaigh McKenzie

E to matou Matu ai te rangi kia tapu tou ingoa kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga kite whenua, kia rite ano ki to te rangi. Homai ki a matou aianei he taro ma matou mo tenei ra. Murua o matou hara me matou hoki e muru nei i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou. Aua hoki matou e kawea kia Whakawaia engari whakaorangia matou i te kino nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te kororia, Ake ake ake.

Amine

TE RANGIMARIE – PASSING THE PEACE

(We invite you to take this moment to greet those who are with you today, or to hold in your mind others from St Andrew's, or your own loved ones)

KŌRERO PŪMAHARA – WORDS OF WISDOM

Ellen Murray Fionnaigh McKenzie

Comparatively Speaking, There is no Struggle

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From "Puna Wai Korero: An Anthology of Maori Poetry in English",
Auckland University Press, 2014
edited by Reina Whaitiri

When people like you tell me

things aren't as bad here as they are elsewhere

I wish you had been there

in the Waikato or amongst my own people

the century before last and every day after that

standing on land that is no longer yours fishing from waters that no longer run pure

or at every hui on every marae that activates the words mana Maori motuhake

which is every marae in the country.

You seem to think things are better off here because you don't see us dying or visibly fighting

as if it all happened in yesteryears.

I tend to think

that one of the worse effects of colonisation

is when people no longer fight because they don't see a need and think that

comparatively speaking everything's alright.

So how many Maori have you convinced today that really us "Mahrees" should consider ourselves lucky that things could have been worse as they are with the "Abos"?

Our Watch Now

Witi Ihimaera © 2012

From "Puna Wai Korero: An Anthology of Maori Poetry in English",
Auckland University Press, 2014
edited by Reina Whaitiri
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If New Zealand had been Aotearoa just imagine ...

The Treaty would have been honoured in 1840
Māori would have retained their tino rangatiratanga
and Pākehā would have kāwanatanga
Being kaitiaki,

we would have heard huia still singing today

our seas would flourish with the thunder of sounding whales Matariki would usher in Aotearoa New Year

This is not to say we wouldn't have had wars between us and through the years, that there wouldn't have been pain and lots of anger and tears

But ... just imagine ...

... what might have been ... what we could have seen ... and what it might mean ...

The Representatives we send to the United Nations would be ... from Aotearoa ...

The Prime Minister would have a tā moko ...

and might even be a wahine ariki ...
Being kaitiaki,
the huia would fill the air with
coruscating beauty and incandescent trilling
pods of tohorā would thrill our blood
with regular soundings along our shores
and tales all children would have learnt
would be about whale riders, mountain movers,
and mythical taniwha

Māori Earth ... not Middle Earth

It's our watch now the time to make dreams come true today is a good day to begin ...

Kia hora te marino kia whakapapa pounamu to moana kia tere te kārohirohi mua i tōu huarahi Āianei, ā ake tonu atu May the calm be widespread no storms, but a glistening greenstone sea instead and may the shimmer of rainbow lit spray ever dance over our pathway.

WHAKAUTU - RESPONSE

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

KŌRERO – REFLECTION

Niki Francis

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AA 113 'Our life has its seasons'

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Our life has its seasons (verse 2 and a refrain)
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

KAWANGA – OFFERING PRAYER

Words.

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.

INOI O NGA TANGATA – PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prepared by Pat Booth Read by Sue Hirst

This is the fifth Sunday we have not been able to meet together in our St Andrew's building. But we give thanks for the creative ways by which worship leaders have linked us together.

We give thanks that decisions made by our government and public service have meant that New Zealand has not been impacted by Covid19 as much as most other countries.

We give thanks for all the essential workers who have made it possible for us to stay at Level 4 in order to combat Covid19, even at some cost to themselves.

But we remember at this time of prayer the burdens many have been carrying:

for those who have lost jobs, and the ability to care for their families; those worrying about family and friends in other parts of the world who may be in far more danger than we have been;

for families who have had bereavements which have had nothing to do with Covid19.

Today as a community we particularly remember 93 year old Prue Wilson who died last week after a stroke.

We remember families who have not been able to honour their dead adequately because of constraints on gatherings.

Today we also commemorate the 180^{th} anniversary of the signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi on a ship in the harbour of Whanganui a Tara.

So as we acknowledge the linking of two peoples, and as we acknowledge the links we have with each other in this community, we pray from the Anglican Prayer Book:

Ka aru matou i a te Karaiti, We will follow Christ,

Tui, tui, tuituia matou. link, link, let us be linked together.

Tuia ki te mamae Linked in pain, Tuia ki te tumanako linked in hope,

Tui, tui, tuia ki te ora. Link, link, linked in abundant life. (Translation by Joan Metge)

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Algeria and the Protestant Church of Algeria. 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 Jo Luxton and Trevor Mallard list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Francis Cooperating Parish, Clive Haumoana and from the worldwide church for the African Protestant Church.

KARAKIA O ST ANARU – PRAYER FOR ST ANDREWS

Renew your people, God, and renew our life in this place. Give us a new spirit of unity with those of all faiths, and a new spirit of love towards all people.

Bless the city in which we live that it may be a place where honest dealing, good government, the desire for beauty, and the care for others flourish.

Bless this church that what we know of your will may become what we do, and what we believe the strong impulse of our worship and work.

Amen

HĪMENE – HYMN

AA 115 'Purea nei e te hau'

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Purea nei e te hau Horoia e te ua Whitiwhitia e te rā Mahea ake ngā pōraruraru Makere ana ngā here.

E rere wairua, e rere Ki ngā ao o te rangi Whitiwhitia e te rā Mahea ake ngā pōraruraru Makere ana ngā here, Makere ana ngā here. Scattered by the wind washed by the rain and transformed by the sun, all doubts are swept away and all restraints are cast down.

Fly O free spirit, fly to the clouds in the heavens, transformed by the sun, with all doubts swept away and all restraints cast down. Yes, all restraints are cast down

POROPOROAKIA MĀNAWATANGA-FAREWELL AND BLESSING

It's our watch now the time to make dreams come true today is a good day to begin ...

May the calm be widespread no storms, but a glistening greenstone sea instead and may the shimmer of rainbow lit spray ever dance over our pathway.

(from Witi Ihimaera, "It's Our Watch Now")

Amen

TIME FOR A CUPPA

The end of our Sunday service is normally a time for catching up, meeting people and sharing what is happening in our lives. Perhaps you would like to phone a St Andrew's person today.

POSTLUDE

Te Deum by M. Charpentier

by M. Charpentier (1643 - 1704)

MIHI – THANK YOU

Peter Franklin

Our musician today

Candle lighters, prayers, readers: Kezia, Jasper, FionnaighMcKenzie, Ellen Murray

Prayers for others: Pat Booth, Sue Hirst

Technical expertise and administration: Tom, Laetitia, Jillene

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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

PĀNUI: TE WAIRUA KI TE WHANAU ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

GIVING TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE FOR ONGOING MINISTRY

During COVID Alert Levels 3 and 4 the St Andrew's Centre is unable to operate. The closure of the Centre has resulted in a significant loss of income and this means we are more reliant than ever on planned giving to support our ministry. As you know we are doing this in a new way by going online with our weekly services. We are delighted that our videos on YouTube are receiving between 250 and 350 views each week. If you do not already have a weekly automatic payment you may like to set one up or you can donate to help us manage through this time. Thank you.

Our bank account number is: 02 0534 0004022 02

FIREWOOD SALES FOR ORGAN REFURBISHMENT FUND

Firewood sales for organ refurbishment fund: there are approx 4 trailer loads of dry gum available for sale and delivery over the next couple of months, timing being dependant on the extent of COVID restrictions. A trailer load is approx 3 cubic metres, and the cost is \$350, delivered. If interested, please email Bruce C on OrganFirewoodProject01@gmail.com.

Volunteers are also requested on 2 or 3 Saturdays, to assist in logsplitting and loading firewood for transit. If you would enjoy this pleasant outdoor activity please email Bruce, indicating dates you could be available as from 3 weeks hence.

TRANSFORMATION IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS

Dear friends. "More to Life" is a personal development organization. I did my first course with them on the weekend of my 40th birthday and have continued to do courses with them over subsequent years. I find that the work I do with them is often transformational and profound. Essentially they help us to live more in a place of love and less in a place of fear. Of course such a topic has big implications for our world as well as us individually.

At the moment they are offering a new online course called "Transformation in the time of Coronavirus" which I am pleased to take part in.

If you are interested in doing a course like this at this time please visit https://www.moretolife.academy/

If you have any questions please contact me on mikewr09@gmail.com. Thanks, Mike Wespel-Rose

CENTRAL PRESBYTERY NEWS

This week's Central Presbytery news can be found by clicking the following link: http://presbyterycentral.org.nz/images/docs/Roundup/20200408_Central_Roundup.pdf.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

RAINBOW WELLINGTON

We are not able to operate social functions in Level 3 or probably in Level 2. Consequently we have postponed all events including the Annual General Meeting until we can meet safely.

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

Link to share:

https://www.facebook.com/notes/peace-movement-aotearoa/global-military-spending-increases-new-zealand-ranks-in-report/2895290027185014

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
Stated Supply Minister	Niki Francis
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Care Team	Linda Wilkins, Maxine Cunningham, Brian Burrell, Pat Booth and Katrina Harper
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
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistants	Claudia Monkhouse and Kate Crichton
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