

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

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#### Easter 7



'More alike than we are unalike: meeting the challenge of inequality'

Max Rashbrooke

Max Rashbrooke is a Wellington-based writer with twin interests in economic inequality and democratic participation, and is currently the 2020 J D Stout Fellow at Victoria University of Wellington. He is the author of *Government for the Public Good: The Surprising Science of Large-Scale Collective Action*, published by Bridget Williams Books (BWB) in September 2018. He is also the author of *Wealth and New Zealand*, and edited the best-selling work *Inequality: A New Zealand Crisis*. He is a senior associate of the Institute for Governance and Policy Studies at Victoria University of Wellington, his work appears in outlets such as the *Guardian* and *Prospect* magazine, and he is a regular commentator in the New Zealand media.

#### 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 Niki Francis with Max Rashbrooke giving the address.

**PRELUDE** 

"Etude in E Major (Tristesse)"

by F. Chopin (1810-1849)

Played by Peter Franklin

#### MIHI WHAKATAU - WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

#### **KARANGA – GATHERING**

Here we are in another online service on another Sunday in Aotearoa New Zealand and maybe elsewhere in the world during the Covid-19 pandemic that has turned many of our lives upside down.

Here we are again in our own spaces at home away from our church building yet together in spirit and love.

We are here with our own joys, anxieties, fears and hopes, united in a way we are slowly getting used to but still hoping for a time when we might gather in person again, although not knowing how or when that might be.

All of us are here as part of our journey to understand our lives, to seek solidarity, to explore our humanity and find ways to become fully who we are in relationship with one another and our planet.

Today we will listen to Max Rashbrooke's words about the challenge of inequality in Aotearoa New Zealand. Let's open our ears that we may understand the need for justice and open our hearts so we may work for justice and peace in the world.

Amen

#### HĪMENE – HYMN

ko koe e mohio ana

E te Koru, te Wairua Tapu,

ki te aroha o taku ngakau,

nāu i whai wahi kia puawai.

#### HIOS 84 'Karakia ke te Wairua Tapu'

(Prayer to the Holy Spirit from Tētē Kura) Words: John Greally, Translation: Ngāpō & Pīmia Wehi Music: Helen Fisher Arr. Barry Brinson

Te Koru, Holy Spirit you understand the longings of my heart.

You enable moments of life to blossom.

E te Koru, te Wairua Tapu, homai kia matou te kaha ki te hikoi i te ara o te maramatanga, awhingia matou ki te korowai o te oranga, te oranga, te oranga Te Koru, Holy Spirit, empower us on our pilgrimage of discovery.

Embrace us in the frond of your life.

#### KARAKIA – PRAYER

From "We All Breathe"

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This light which bathes the world, pours from a source so close, so near and yet we cannot touch it or fence it in that it not be lost.

This light which shatters darkness is pieced together, flame by flame, shining from a thousand sources but is diminished by the loss of one.

This light which fills the furthest corner brings with it warmth to fill billions of hearts and bind them with its common truth.

This light which pulls us toward tomorrow is carried deep within each of our hearts and lit by you and me and him and her and all who live upon this earth.

This light which is yours and mine to carry burns only in the hope-filled heart, the source of all our inspiration and all the beauty that will ever come to be.

Let it shine.

#### E TO MATOU MATUA I TE RANGI – JESUS' PRAYER

Eternal Spirit Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, loving God, in whom is heaven: the hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

TE KĀNARA O TE WHARE ĀNIWANIWA — LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

Jaime and Sarah

#### TE RANGIMARIE - PASSING THE PEACE

Dawn Cowdry

(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 – THE WORD IN TEXTS Linda and Norman Wilkins

Hebrew Bible Isaiah 1:17

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.

Proverbs 31:8-9

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

Gospel Luke 4:18-19a

The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free.

#### **Contemporary reading**

"Visit Us"

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From "Enough Clear Water", Wellington: Steele Roberts, 2001, p 84

Visit us
in breath of wind
in endurance of cliffs
in glow of kowhai
in silence of stars
in solitude of moon
in eyes of the poor
in embrace of a mother
in pleasure of friends
in faith that does justice.

#### WHAKAUTU - RESPONSE

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

#### **KÖRERO – REFLECTION**

**Max Rashbrooke** 

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#### HĪMENE - HYMN

AA 85 'Let justice roll down like a river'

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Let justice roll down like a river, let justice flow down to the sea; let justice roll down like a river let justice begin through me.

Justice for all who go hungry, crying to God to be fed, left in a world of abundance to beg for a morsel of bread.

Justice for those who are homeless, victims of war or of need, trapped on the borders of nowhere, lost in the canyons of greed.

Justice for all who are powerless, yearning for freedom in vain, plundered and robbed of their birth-right, silently bearing their pain.

#### **KAWANGA – OFFERING PRAYER**

We offer our gifts of light and hope of cash and action of commitment to justice and our vision for a better fairer world. Let it be so.

#### 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

Sonia Groes-Petrie

#### Eternal Spirit,

In this autumn season we are lifted by the beauty that surrounds us, gold, red and orange leaves that brighten our neighbourhoods, their work now done, a chance to shine and be noticed before dropping to the ground, providing sustenance to the soil.

As we tentatively take steps back into work and social activities, we know the ability to get back to a new sense of normal is not the same for everyone. We are painfully aware of the high levels of child poverty here in Aotearoa/New Zealand and of the higher rates of unemployment and more serious health issues amongst our Maori and Pacific island communities. We are thankful for all those working to create fairer societies here in Aoteaora/New Zealand and around the world and we particularly think of those involved in the Living Wage Movement and those working in social services. May the implementation of government spending in the coming months and years have reducing inequality at its core, with more resourcing put into healthcare, social services, and transitioning us to a low carbon society.

We remember all those still in the grips of the Covid-19 pandemic around the world and are conscious that it is feeding on existing inequalities and injustices in our societies. We are thankful for all healthcare professionals responding to this ongoing crisis with skill and compassion.

We pray in this time of deep uncertainty that our leaders be courageous in implementing policies to help transform our societies, by putting people and the planet at the centre of decision-making. Let us all be bold in our thinking and action in reimagining and transforming our society to be built on fairness and love.

We hold in our circle of care all who are grieving, dealing with illness, broken relationships and isolation. May we act with compassionate hearts.

During this time when we normally share prayers written in the book I invite you to take some time in silence to pray for people and places that you hold in your heart today (silence)

In our circle of prayer we think today of the people of Angola and the Council of Christian Churches in Angola. 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 Barbara Kuriger (Taranaki-King Country electorate) and Denise Lee (Maungakiekie electorate). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Ronan's Presbyterian Church, Eastbourne and from the worldwide church for the Baptist Convention of Haiti.

We bring all our prayers together with the Prayer for St Andrew's. You are welcome to use this as a prayer for your place as well as ours. 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.

#### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

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#### KARAKIA O ST ANARU – PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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#### HĪMENE - HYMN

'All Works of Love' Performed by Inspirare,

conducted by Mark Stamper, St Andrews music coordinator

Music: © Joan Szymko Words: © Mother Theresa

If we have no peace it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other. Remember. All works of love are works of peace.

#### POROPOROAKIA MĀNAWATANGA - FAREWELL and BLESSING

Pauatahanui Blessing

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Let us go in your peace, let us know what is peace by the power of your love, by the Spirit's release. And in all we must face that can hurt or destroy, let us work for your peace: kindness, justice and joy. *Amen* 

Amen

POSTLUDE "Jerusalem"

by C.H.H. Parry ( 1848 – 1918)
Played by Peter Franklin

#### 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.

THANK YOU to all who have contributed to today's service including the ones you have not seen on the video: Max Rashbrooke for generously giving his time to speak to us, Peter Franklin for the music, Mark Stamper and Inspirare for their performance of "All works of love", Laetitia and Tom for editing all the different segments of the service into one integrated whole, Jillene for the order of service. Ngā mihi nui!

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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

#### ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

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

Alert Levels 3 and 4 the St Andrew's Centre was unable to operate. Even though the office is open again at Level 2, very little activity is taking place in the centre as yet. 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.

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 We will continue with our weekly online services until we are able to meet again in the church on Sundays. We are delighted that our videos on YouTube continue to be viewed and enjoyed by so many people.

#### **BID FOR A BACH**

As we enter Level 2, how about a break away from Wellington. As a fund raising initiative in the final phase to our \$500,000 goal to restore the St Andrew's Croft pipe organ, we would like to run a "Bid for a Bach" campaign.

We are seeking offers from members and friends of St Andrews of their Baches and we would anticipate bidding for a specified number of nights.

If you, or family members, have a Bach you could offer for this initiative, we would love to hear from you. In the first instance could you contact Andrew Matthews at <a href="mailto:wa.matthews@gmail.com">wa.matthews@gmail.com</a> with a brief description of your Bach.

Could you also let me know:

Where it is located;

How to reach it from Wellington and how long this usually takes;

How many people it accommodates;

What it provides (are sheets and towels included for example?);

When might it be available?

Also, if you already let your Bach to people outside of your family, what do you usually charge so we can have a realistic idea of what is a reasonable price to start the bidding at.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely, Andrew Matthews, (Member St Andrews Organ Restoration Committee)

**FAITH in ACTION** from Margaret Rushbrook (Faith in Action Coordinator)

- 1. Christian World Service (CWS) Appeals: Sonia Groes-Petrie, St Andrew's coordinator for CWS, passes on two requests both in the context of Covid-19. CWS is appealing for funds to provide additional support to keep programmes running. Firstly, in Gaza, the three primary healthcare centres run by the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees are in urgent need of funding for personal protective equipment and for psychosocial support as well as emergency food and hygiene kits for families. Each kit costs \$100 and is enough for a family for a month. Go to <a href="https://www.cws.org">www.cws.org</a> or call 0800 74 73 72 to donate. The appeal will be expanded to assist other partners responding to their communities. Secondly, Cyclone Harold caused widespread destruction in the Solomon Islands, Fiji, Vanuatu and Tonga in April. Covid-19 means locals are managing their own response. CWS will support the recovery of local livelihoods. Donations can be made at cws.org.nz
- 2. **Peace:** Paul Barber would like at least one other person from St Andrews to join him by signing in on Saturday 30 May (11.30 am-12.30 pm), online via Zoom, for the Peace Movement Aotearoa (PMA) Annual General Meeting. On the agenda will be an overview of Peace Movement Aotearoa's work over the past year which includes a brief outline of key developments in relation to: recent reporting to UN human rights treaty monitoring bodies; the national humanitarian disarmament campaigns PMA coordinates, including iCAN Aotearoa New Zealand, the Aotearoa New Zealand Campaign to Stop Killer Robots (fully autonomous weapon systems), the Aotearoa New Zealand Campaign on Military Spending, and INEW; White Poppies for Peace; and their Youth Disarmament Project.
  - If you are planning on joining the AGM, please RSVP to Peace Movement Aotearoa email icanz@xtra.co.nz so you can be sent the Zoom sign in details. And please let Paul Barber know at pbarber289@gmail.com
- 3. PCANZ Moderator's Appeal for Vanuatu after Cyclone Harold: I for one (Margaret Rushbrook), am donating to this call for help especially because of our strong history of early Presbyterian missionary activity in Vanuatu followed by mutual partnership with the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu, and also because I can 'feel' and visualise myself on Santo Island pre-Cyclone Harold. In 1988 I was one of 1500 local and overseas visitors celebrating with great excitement and anticipation the opening of Talua Ministry Training Centre, an ecumenical centre for lay and pastor training for both men and women. I was representing the Presbyterian and Methodist national churches of NZ at the opening of Talua and gave greetings to the gathering on behalf of the Right Rev Margaret Reid-Martin and the then Council for Mission and Ecumenical Cooperation. As a partner church we also gave a gift of a banner and \$2000NZ at that time. Talua Ministry Training Centre and numerous other church facilities in the region, have now been badly damaged by Cyclone Harold. I encourage you to join me in donating to this Appeal if you are at all able to. This can be done by donating online to the PCANZ Global Mission account number: 02 0500 0086963 010 with the reference Cyclone Appeal. Or, cheques can be mailed to the PCANZ Assembly Office, PO Box 9049, Wellington 6141. Apply to katrina@presbyterian.org.nz for a receipt.

#### 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 3-4 weeks hence.

#### **CENTRAL PRESBYTERY NEWS**

This week's Central Presbytery news can be found by clicking the following link: <a href="https://www.presbyterycentral.org.nz/index.php/2-uncategorised/52-roundup-current">https://www.presbyterycentral.org.nz/index.php/2-uncategorised/52-roundup-current</a>

#### WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### STUDYING THEOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of the Bible, the Biblical Languages, Church History, Ministry, Christian Thought and Pastoral Theology, both on-campus and to many students across Aotearoa New Zealand through our successful distance study programme. We are committed to serving Christian communities throughout the country. Semester 2 starts on July 6th and new enrolments are due by June 25th. For details of papers go to: <a href="https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/">https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/</a> and click on Semester 2 papers. Or see the attached poster.

To enrol go to <a href="https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/enrolment/">https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/enrolment/</a>

#### **PEACE AOTEAROA**

## INVITATION TO THE PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SATURDAY 30 MAY, ONLINE

Further information: for more information, to add items to the AGM agenda, send your RSVP or apology, or if you wish to nominate someone to the Working Group, please contact Peace Movement Aotearoa email <a href="mailto:icanz@xtra.co.nz">icanz@xtra.co.nz</a> - thank you.

# JOINT COMMUNIQUE TO COMMEMORATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (NPT) Link to share:

https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/2951428631571153
The joint communique is now available on the iCAN Aotearoa New Zealand site,
http://icanw.org.nz and - together with the link to the NZ media release - the New
Zealand disarmament statements online page,
http://www.converge.org.nz/pma/nzdist.htm.

#### KELBURN LITTLE SCHOOL

Come and visit Kelburn Little School- we have limited spaces for under and over 2's at our schools. Call 04 475 8710 to arrange a visit or email enrolments@littleschool.co.nz for more information.

#### 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
<b>Facilities Assistants</b>	Claudia Monkhouse and Kate Crichton
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