



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

ORDER OF SERVICE

30 August 2020

Pentecost 13



Be generous, be kind

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.

Today's service is led by Rev. Dr Niki Francis

GATHERING

We gather in this place:

in our community of St Andrews on The Terrace

all hoping for different things.

We look for belonging

kindness

generosity

learning

peace

affirmation

recognition

and more.

We hope for hints on how to live

in these uncertain times.

We come together with love in our hearts

for the Muslim community in Aotearoa New Zealand

and their families from overseas

who have expressed their grief, anger and horror

in Christchurch this week.

We look around us,

we welcome our visitors

and are glad to see the familiar faces of our friends.

We are grateful for this time of peace, song, prayer, company

and for the rich diversity of theological thinking in our community.

We understand that what matters

is that we accept each other,

accept the miracle of our community,

accept each word spoken in love

and be generous with kindness.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Worried, sad or at our limit

Words: ©Fiona McDougal Music: Austria WOV 577

1. Worried, sad or at our limit,
when we're feeling insecure,
all around unfriendly faces,
leave us fearful and unsure.
Then we reach out for your comfort,
drawing strength when we're alone,
knowing that we'll find a safe place
close be-si-de the shelt'ring stone.
2. Trav'ling, searching, seeking healing,
looking for a truth that lasts,
pulled about by many choices
dizzy in a world too fast,
we can find in you our meaning
hope and trust we're being made whole,
sharing in a deep'ning silence,
opening to the true touchstone.
3. Hearing stories told of Jesus,
learning what he said and did,
Wisdom deep and so surprising
truth that never can be hid,
then we laugh and see in wonder
strange reality new known,
recognising in that moment
Jesu-s as the living stone.
4. Would we be a holy people,
bearers of the sacred now?
Freely off'ring to the "other"
all of who we are, and how?
When we see in them a beauty
closely mirrored by our own,
then together we'll start building
so be-co-mi-ng living stones.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou.

Kia ora.

PRAYER

Today we contemplate generosity.
It can take many forms:
money given, kindness shown, forgiveness offered,
emotional support, a listening ear,
a shoulder to cry on,
time made available,
understanding,
open hearts,
and ears ready to listen.

*Let us open our hearts
to generosity
and kindness.*

*Let us commit to practicing both –
in our families, communities
and in the breadth and depth
of our country that is Aotearoa New Zealand.
So let it be. Amen*

JESUS' PRAYER

Jim Cotter paraphrase

*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.*

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW ROOM CANDLE

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Ellen Murray

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

Traditionally we shake hands to pass the peace and say "peace be with you. Now that Covid is here we ask that you pass the peace without shaking hands.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Linda Wilkins

Hebrew Bible

Deuteronomy 15: 7-8, 10-11

Gospel

Matthew 26:6-13

Contemporary reading From 'Sabbatical Journey: The Diary of His Final Year'
By Henri J. M. Nouwen (2000)

"Generosity has many levels. We have to think generously, speak generously, and act generously. Thinking well of others and speaking well of others is the basis for generous giving. It means that we relate to others as part of our 'gen' or 'kin' and treat them as family. Generosity cannot come from guilt or pity. It has to come from hearts that are fearless and free and are willing to share abundantly all that is given to us."

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

'Be generous, be kind'

Rev. Dr Niki Francis

OFFERING PRAYER *(said together)*

*We are grateful for this community,
rich in spirit, music, friendship and thought.
Out of this gratitude we offer the gifts we bring today:
money for the church and food for the hungry.
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.

HYMN

'A Prophet Woman Broke a Jar'

Words: © 1993 Brian Wren Hope Publishing Company
Music: © 2014 Lim Swee Hong, Hope Publishing Company

1. A prophet woman broke a jar,
by Love's divine appointing.
With rare perfume she filled the room,
presiding and anointing.
A prophet woman broke a jar,
the sneers of scorn defying.
With rare perfume she filled the room, preparing Christ for dying
2. A faithful woman left a tomb
by Love's divine commission.
She saw, she heard, she preached the Word,
arising from submission.
A faithful woman left a tomb,
with resurrection gospel.
She saw, she heard, she preached the Word,
apostle to apostle.
3. Though woman wisdom, woman truth,
for centuries were hidden,
unsung, unwritten and unheard,
derided and forbidden,
the Spirit's breath, the Spirit's fire,
on free and slave descending,
can tumble our dividing walls,
our shame and sadness mending
4. The Spirit knows, the Spirit calls,
by Love's divine ordaining,
the friends we need, to serve and lead,
their powers and gifts unchaining.
The Spirit knows, the Spirit calls,
from women, men and children,
the friends we need, to serve and lead.
Rejoice and make them welcome!

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S

People share notices and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice, 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

Jenn Keenan

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina and we pray for understanding between people of different religious traditions in the world today. 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 Shane Reti (Whangarei electorate) and Grant Robertson (Wellington Central electorate). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Hawera Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

*Renew your people, God,
and renew our life in this place.
Give us a new spirit of unity
with all who follow the Way of Jesus
and new bonds of love
with people of other faiths.*

*Bless the city in which we live
that it may be a place
where honest dealing,
good government,
and 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

HYMN

AA 59 'He came singing love'

Music and Words Colin Gibson © 1994 Hope Publishing

1. He came singing love
and he lived singing love;
he died, singing love
He arose in silence.
For the love to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.
2. He came singing hope
and he lived singing hope;
he died, singing hope.
He arose in silence.
For the hope to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers
3. He came singing faith
and he lived singing faith;
he died, singing faith.
He arose in silence.
For the faith to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.
4. He came singing peace
and he lived singing peace;
he died, singing peace.
He arose in silence.
For the peace to go on
we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

BLESSING

*Let love be the pandemic
Let kindness be the contagion
Let love be our motivation
Let love be our karakia
Let love be our tikanga
Let love be the miracle.*

Archbishop Don Tamihere, Te Pihopa o Aotearoa (adapted)

SUNG AMEN

THANK YOU

Mark Stamper

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

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

A LETTER FROM THE TE KAKONO PARISH

Tena koe Lois,

Thank you so much for your offer of support, to Parish members and members of your community that have offered to support Te Kakano o Te Aroha in its Kaibosh program and provision of food supplies to families in need.

Families include people whose employment and businesses have been marginalised as a result of COVID 19.

The homeless have been allocated Emergency housing as a result and continue to experience hardship.

Te Kakano o Te Aroha have been delivering 70 Food packages twice weekly to 70 needy families in our community.

All support is gratefully received and anything in the basic food line is most helpful. Once more on behalf of Te Kakano o Te Aroha, your fellow Presbyterian parish thank you very much.

Surplus SATRS CDs

There will be a table of these available at church on Sunday.

Parishioners are invited to help yourself and if you feel so moved to make a gold coin donation.

SPIRITED CONVERSATION from 6:15pm, 1 September at St Andrew's on the Terrace

Our presenter will be Dr Rebecca Kiddle, who co-ordinated the recent BWB publication *Imagining Decolonisation*. She may also involve one or more of the other authors.

Rebecca is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Architecture at Victoria. Her iwi are Ngāti Porou and Ngā Puhī.

Here's a link to the book which can be purchased on line or in hard copy.

<https://www.bwb.co.nz/books/imagining-decolonisation>

There will be a simple catered meal from 6.15 and the presenter(s) will start at 7.

Please bring \$10 for the meal if you are able.

Contact Tony Kirby at tony@thekirbys.co.nz or speak to Tony at church or on 021 380225 to let us know numbers attending, and whether you are able to help with set up or clean up and if you have dietary requirements.

BID FOR A BACH

As Spring approaches, how about a break away from Wellington?

As part of the St Andrews on the Terrace Pipe Organ Restoration project, we have 3 properties on offer for a short holiday.

Bid for a date between now and mid-December for:

- 1) A cottage in Greytown at \$80 per night.
- 2) A house in Whanganui for \$90 per night
- 3) A summer house in the Marlborough Sounds, accessible by car from Picton, with 15 minute drive, for \$100 per night.

All properties sleep up to 6 people – you provide your own towels and sheets. For properties 1 and 2, you are responsible to leave the property as you found it and for property 3 there is a \$50 end cleaning fee.

Send me an email to bid for a date and if the property you request is available, I will put you in contact with the owners who will give you precise directions on how to reach their property, how to get in, instructions about water and power, and send you bank account details to pay for your stay.

The owners have generously offered to credit the Organ Fund with all of your payment. Try and book a date for a weekend or a week, or for a quiet stay during the week. Contact me, Andrew Matthews at: wa.matthews@gmail.com

SEASON OF CREATION: INVITATION FOR RAINBOW SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

A rainbow is an ancient symbol of God's covenant with the Earth and we'll be exploring the idea of covenant on 19 Sept. Do you have a place where you are particularly aware of your relationship with God or the Earth? (Could be somewhere you visit mentally, where you're from or where you grew up, or somewhere you visit regularly.) Please let me know this weekend if you'd like to share briefly about that on 19 Sept and prepare a few sentences of reflection within a format. Many thanks, Ellen Murray <contact_ellen@yahoo.com>

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHILD POVERTY ACTION GROUP

What: Enough for All: Election Forum 2020

When: Wednesday 16th September, 6 - 7.30pm

How: If Wellington is at Alert level 1, the event will proceed with limited seats at St Peters on Willis Street and by livestream on Facebook and Twitch. At Level 2 only the politicians and those hosting the event will be in person. If we are at Level 3 or above, everyone will be online.

This event is co-hosted with Tick for Kids, The Equality Network, The Anglican Movement and Child Poverty Action Group. There will be live poetry and a performance on wealth inequality from our young leaders.

RSVP on Facebook, RSVP via Eventbrite In solidarity and hope, Ruby St. Peters.

P.S. Want something hopeful to kick off your weekend? Check out this video for what Aotearoa could be in 2040 if we all work together.

SEPT/OCTOBER 2020 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – NORTHLAND KIDZ CLUB

\$45 per child per day (third child onwards :\$20), 8.30 a.m to 6 p.m each day.

For details, check out our website (www.nkc.org.nz),

or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail (nkc.jan@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	David Patchett, Pauline Patchett
Sound	Bronwyn White
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Fiona McDougal, John Morgan
Coffee/tea	Barrie and Jenn Keenan, Katrina Harper
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Linda Wilkins
Prayers of the People	Jenn Keenan
Rainbow Room Helper	Ellen Murray
Library	Ann Barrie
Musician	Mark Stamper

On duty Sunday 6 September

Welcoming	Gillian Feist, Jeni Bryant
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cameron Smart
Offering	Bridget Martin, Margaret Pannett
Coffee/tea	Gavin Watson, Graham Howell, Jenny Watson
Time with the Children	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Heather Macfarlane
Prayers of the People	Linda Wilkins
Communion	Maxine & Jim Cunningham, Margaret Rushbook, Lois Robertson, Pam Fuller
Rainbow Room Helper	Rosemary Lawrence
Library	Lloyd Jobson, Molly Seah
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 30 August 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Niki Francis

Wednesday 2 September:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - Music for Violin & Piano and Piano Four Hands - Kristina Zuelicke (piano), Sunny Cheng (piano) and HyeWon Kim (violin)

Thursday 3 September - Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 6 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Barrie Keenan followed by Congregational Conversation.

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
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Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
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Church Music Coordinator	Mark Stamper
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
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Rainbow Room Coordinator	Jules Collinson
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