

ORDER OF SERVICE

6 September 2020

Season of Creation 1 and Pentecost 14



CREATION 1 – FORESTRY

Trees grow from a small seed to a mighty tree. How does our faith change and grow as we age?

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. Barrie Keenan

GATHERING

In this the season of creation we come together this morning *We give thanks for our own creation For those who gave us birth, for those who nurtured us*

For the experiences we have had, for the people we have met

For the challenges we have addressed and overcome

For both the down times and for the times of exhilaration.

For the love we have received and the love we have given And so, we gather now to reflect and give thanks

We gather here as a community of faith conscious of our heritage Living now in the present, and awaiting the future.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AA 54 'God of the galaxies'

Words: © 1992 Shirley Erena Murray Music: by Douglas Mews ©1992 Hope Publishing Co.

God of the galaxies spinning in space, God of the smallest seed, our living source, yours is the gift of this beautiful place.

Let us care for your garden and honour the earth.

Careless and covetous, gross are our greeds, taking the riches, the garden provides, wasting its goodness, forgetting its needs. *Let us care for your garden and honour the earth*. Forests and rivers are ravaged and die, raped is the land till it bleeds in its clay, silenced the birdsong and plundered the sea. Let us care for your garden and honour the earth.

Let there be beauty, and let there be air fragrant with peace, never poisoned with fear, freed from the plagues of pollution and war.

Let us care for your garden and honour the earth.

Life is a holy thing, life is a whole, linking each creature and blessing us all, making connections of body and soul.

Let us care for your garden and honour the earth.

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou. Kia ora.

PRAYER

Holy One, we thank you for individuality, our different interests, skills and attributes, and for our diversity as a faith community and our openness to welcoming all irrespective of where they are on their faith journey. Help us in our lives to see and then do that which is going to be most important and useful for others.

Strengthen us to address the hard tasks, to recognise needs, to share what we have, to strive for justice for all, and let us say together the Jesus prayer

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 CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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

Hebrew Bible

Gospel

Contemporary reading

A poem by Doug Lendrum, used with his permission, and based on the motto of St. David's, Khyber Pass Rd., Auckland

"Honour the Mind, Live the Questions, Explore the Adventure of Humanity."

Ours is the dialogue task to cast aside the theism, atheism debate and to grasp a glimpse of the "Almost" impasse to name the divine ambiguity to create a limited-ness and uncertainty a past. Ours is a dynamic task to risk all in the face of knowing an enhanced meaning in life more than a fast

Rosemary Lawrence

Matthew 22 34-40

Micah 6: 6 -8

Heather Macfarlane

to fall in love again with reality flowing like an opportunity to escape a farce

Ours is a challenging task to put aside an engineering strategy and discover in 3D a chaotic, dynamic class where living, moving and loving have synergy and certainty and reductionism become the last.

Ours is a rewarding task connecting hearts rather than just minds discovering wisdom in embodied relational embrace with nature its reality and kinds it's narrative enhanced and midwifed at last.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

FFS 31 'God who carved this timeless landscape' Vs 1-3

Words: Doug Grierson Music: Colin Gibson © 2000, CONVERSE CH4 547 Charles Crozat Converse

- God who carved this timeless landscape, Snow-clad ridge to valley plain, power of surging race and river, limestone crag and scarred terrain; Maker still of earth, fire, water, artistry of sight and sound, Southern lights and sunset splendour, raise our eyes and you are found.
- Calendar of nature's balance, rhythms of the farming year, shearing, milking, ploughing, pruning, Manger setting ever near! Lonely struggle in the byways, nor'west dust or snow and flood, fellowship of tears and laughter: Lord, with you, we're understood.

 Giving thanks for those before us, village life and tussock track, as we turn to face the future, history's wind upon our back; scattered are our congregations, each now shares in ministry, bonding strength of work together: spirit of community.

REFLECTION "What can we learn from the trees?" Rev. Barrie Keenan

OFFERING PRAYER (said together)

We bring these gifts of food for those who need it. We bring these gifts of money so that this church may continue to make the Way of Jesus a political reality. We offer ourselves as Pilgrim people seeking to walk the way of truth, light and love. 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.

Historical Highlight "About our Baroque Organ" Andrew Matthews

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

Linda Wilkins

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Brunei, for strength and wisdom for Christian church leaders in Brunei dealing with growing religious restrictions. We remember the detainees of Manus and Nauru Islands, yearning that their cases be resolved. In New Zealand, we remember those who work this election season as candidates, members of all political parties and all voters. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hunterville.

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's table. 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 to participate in the communion. This is God's meal for all people.

COMMUNION HYMN

HYMN

FFS 57 'Song of faith that sings forever' vs 1-3

Words: Shirley Murray © Hope Publishing Co. 1999 Music: Abbeyfield Colin Gibson © Hope Publishing co. 1999

 Song of faith that sings forever through God's people, ages long, Word that holds the world together when our hearts take up the song, always, always, somewhere sounding, though the source we do not see, counterpoint to all despairing, it is hope that sets the key.

- Song of faith in exaltation, rising through the vaults of prayer, tune of simple celebration offered up in open air, song in chapel and cathedral, descant to our daily tone, song from sickbed or in prison, faith must often sing alone.
- 3. And when life would overwhelm us, when there seems no song to sing, hear the constant voice of courage out of fear and suffering: all who've loved and trusted Jesus, all who lift us to be strong, endless, endless are the voices of the faith that makes the song.

COMMUNION TODAY

Communion today, because of Covid-19 is served by using individual communion glasses. You are invited to come to the front of the church and receive the bread, or a gluten-free cracker, and then a communion glass, and having partaken of the elements, place the glass in the "basket" held by the "receiver" and then make you way back to your seat.

Or, remain in your seat to be served if mobility is difficult. If you don't wish to receive communion, please remain in your seat – we're glad you are here with us.

Our Communion Liturgy

In our lives we have eaten, taken food and drink, in many different places. Sometimes on our own, but more often with others, different people or groups of people, with friends and sometimes with strangers.

Jesus did this with those he associated with and who associated with him. Inside homes, outside by the lakeside as well as on the hilltop. And then there was that meal in the Upper Room, a special meal, a very special time.

After he was dead those who had known him, those who had followed him, remembered him, especially when they gathered and shared bread and drank wine together. Even though he was dead they realised that because of knowing him they had a different more vibrant attitude to life, more understanding, more compassion, a different sense of justice, a richer love, and a more meaningful faith. We too strive to follow, to live as we seek The Way, to hold onto those things from the past that are meaningful for us, to be looking for more just, more compassionate, more loving ways to live in our community. As we remember his life, his ministry and his command to us – to love one another as I have loved you.

We take this bread as he took bread and break it as he broke it and we hear the words

This is my body broken for you – do this in remembering me.

And we take the cup as he took the wine, as we drink it we hear the words This is my blood, the new covenant, participate in this in remembering me.

These are the gifts he gave us for those he asked, and challenged, to follow "The Way"

Come let us partake. The gifts of God for the people of God.

Prayer after Communion

On this our first Sunday in this the "Season of Creation" we give thanks for those in whom we saw the light, and those who have encouraged and supported us on "Our Way". We go on our pilgrimage in new ways, sharing these values and this love with others. So, may it be. Amen.

HYMN

HIOS 129 'Who would walk cheerfully'

Words: © 2009 Shirley Erena Murray Tune: Monk Gate WOV 467 "Who would true valour see!"

Who would walk cheerfully through storm and shadow, these hearts beat staunch and free, wise to the rainbow:

no threat will cloud our sight, we'll work for what is right, we'll trust the Inner Light to live as Christians.

Who lets the world look dark is no companion, we'll let no dire remark change our opinion, we'll walk the story track

we'll walk the stony track, strong hope within our pack, we'll counter gloom's attack, to live as Christians. We'll walk the world for peace, makers and menders, we'll promote in every place peaceful agendas:

hands-on to teach and tend, to see all colours blend, to meet each soul as friend, to live as Christians!

BLESSING

For our blessing today I think it is better we sing together rather than just my spoken words and I think these words of Shirley Murray's are particularly appropriate.

HYMN

HIOS 35 (ii) 'Go gently, go lightly'

Words: © 2001 Shirley Erena Murray Music: Colin Gibson "Legere"

Go gently, go lightly, go safe in the Spirit, live simply, don't carry much more than you need: go trusting God's goodness, go spreading God's kindness, stay centred on Jesus and where he will lead.

Go singing, go bringing the gifts of the Spirit, go hopefully searching for things that are true; in living, in loving, whatever befalls you, God keep you, God bless you in all that you do.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Thank you to Peter Franklin

our musician today

Unless otherwise specified all our music is used by permission CCLI Licence 341550 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 Quay, 02-0534-0004022-02

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHT: The Baroque Organ Andrew Matthews.

You may well ask why come St Andrews has 2 pipe organs?

The large Croft Organ usually residing in the gallery was installed in 1962, and as you are aware, is currently undergoing extensive restoration work in Timaru. At the beginning of the 1980s, a group of music enthusiasts at St Andrews thought that it would be good to complement the large pipe organ in the gallery with a small organ at the front of the church that could work with other instruments to create small music ensembles to feature in Sunday services and in concerts during the week.

Fund raising for the Baroque Organ began in earnest at midday on Tuesday 20th May 1980 when Roy Tankersley played an organ recital on the Gallery organ at St Andrews to begin an 'Organathon' of 25 hours, culminating in another organ recital at 1pm on Wednesday 21st May.

Many musicians and supporters assisted in the event; Roy accompanied choirs, solo singers and instrumentalists and on the arrival of each hour, improvised on a theme given to him on the spot. Those who remained with Roy during the whole 25 hours were his wife Pamela and their young son Simon, and Bruce Thompson one of the oldest members of the congregation.

The organ arrived for installation on Tuesday 12th October 1982 at a cost of \$18,000. There were generous donors, including the corporate heavies here on the Terrace before the share-market crash, as well as the llottt family and our most celebrated New Zealand composer, Douglas Lilburn.

The organ was designed and built by George Croft and Sons of Auckland and was modelled on the large Baroque organ in Kings College, Cambridge.

The organ features many attributes found in the organs of the 18th Century, including a light mechanical key action, pipe tone colours that are light and bright and a case that has distinctive Baroque features. In fact pipe organs were considered the most complex mechanical device, a position retained until the end of the 19th Century when the manual telephone exchange took its place.

Roy toured around the province giving fund raising concerts. Besides Roy Tankersley who was the parish organist at the time, the opening concerts also featured former St Andrew's long-serving organist and choir master Peter Averi, the late Anthony Jennings who was Director of Music at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Auckland at the time and Rodger Williams organist and choir master from St Mary's Church in Karori.

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

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: <u>wa.matthews@gmail.com</u>.

MAINLY MUSIC QUIZ

Putting the fun in fundraising for St Andrew's on The Terrace Croft Pipe Organ renovation.

Easy questions—no musical expertise needed

Friday 18th September 2020 arrive from **6.30 for 7.00pm** start St Andrew's Centre 30 The Terrace Wellington

\$15.00 per adult (waged and superannuitants) \$5 for students and beneficiaries

Supper J Prizes J Entertainment Easy questions—no musical expertise needed

Form a team of 6 or join a table on the night

RSVP on sign-up sheet, or email **pipeorganquiz@gmail.com** by Tuesday 15 September.

SEASON OF CREATION: INVITATION FOR RAINBOW SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

A rainbow is an ancient symbol of God's covenant with the Earth and



Friday 18th September 2020

7.00 pm Conference Rooms 1 & 2 St Andrew's Centre 30 The Terrace Wellington

\$15.00 per person \$5.00 for students and beneficiaries Form a team of 4-6 or join a table on the night



Supper S Prizes S Entertainment Putting the fun in fundraising



for St Andrew's on The Terrace Croft Pipe Organ renovation

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>

ST ANDREWS HYMNS

Norman Wilkins has put together a collection of hymns written by Susan Jones, Bronwyn White and Fiona McDougal. If you would like a copy he can email it to you on request. g8m8z@orcon.net.nz

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 (<u>www.nkc.org.nz</u>), or contact Jan on cell (022-140-2612), e-mail (<u>nkc.jan@gmail.com</u>).

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	Trish McBride, Jeni Bryant	
Sound	Frank Cook	
Laptop	Cameron Smart	
Offering	Bridget Martin, Margaret Pannett	
Coffee/tea	Sandra Kirby, Tony Kirby, Graham Howell	
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	
On duty Sunday 13 th September		
Welcoming	Graham Howell, Michael Parker	
Sound	Bronwyn White	
Laptop	Hamish Dick	
Offering	Kath Kerr, Tony Pears	
Coffee/tea	James Cone, Janet Horncy	
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray	
Readings	Gavin Watson	
Prayers of the People	Patricia Booth	
Rainbow Room Helper	Fionnaigh McKenzie	
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose	
Musician	Judy Dumbleton	

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

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

Wednesday 9 September:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - New Zealand School of Music, Music for String Ensemble

Sunday 13 September 10am Sunday Gathering led by Andrew Matthews **STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE**

STANDARD MONTHELT SUNDAT CICLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE		
1st Sunday	Congregational Conversation (and Communion during service)	
2nd Sunday	Congregational Brunch on even months Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec	
3rd Sunday	Exploring Faith	
4th Sunday	day Social Justice	
5th Sunday	if there is one - nothing planned	

MISSION STATEMENT OF ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

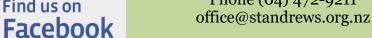
To create a lively, open Christian faith community, to act for a just and peaceful world, and to be catalysts for discovery, compassion and celebration in the capital.

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 Care Coordinator	Linda Wilkins
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	Tom Crichton and Lance Encabo
Roster Coordinator	Rosemary Lawrence

St Andrew's on The Terrace

www.standrews.org.nz 30 The Terrace – P O Box 5203, Wellington 6145 Office Hours: 9 am - 5 pm Monday to Friday Phone (04) 472-9211



Find us on

Follow us on twitter

Interim Moderator – Rev. Catriona Cairns catrionajcairns@gmail.com, Cell: 0273059129

