



Hato Anaru o Te Parehua Founded 1840

ORDER OF SERVICE

07 November 2021

Pentecost 24



RUTH

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**, and 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. *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 Jim Cunningham

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to re-weave the unravelling fabric of community, to re-connect once more with the larger human family, to find once more that place of calm. To remind ourselves that we belong, and to remember what it is we belong to.

Let us keep silence in the Presence we name God

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Praise, my soul, the wondrous beauty'

Words: Scott Kearns – "Sing It Forward" Tune: WOV 68 Praise, my soul...

- Praise, my soul, the wondrous beauty to discover everywhere: painted sunset, morning glory, cooling rain, and breezes fair. Praises singing, praises bringing, for the wonder that we share.
- 2. Praise, my soul, the sense of myst'ry, knowledge we have yet to find, much awaiting our discovery, life details of every kind. Praises singing, praises bringing,

for the questing, searching mind.

- Praise, my soul, the deep compassion freely offered, freely giv'n, care that reaches past the barriers, care that takes the stranger in. Praises singing, praises bringing, join with all we share a part.
- 4. Praise, my soul, the sense of justice, seeing others equally; full respect for rights and honour, full respect for dignity.
 Praises singing, praises bringing, t'wards a whole humanity.

WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti, ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.

GATHERING

May our time together renew our hope. May the stories we hear and share refresh our courage. May the songs we sing lift our spirits. May the words we speak and hear invigorate us. May the presence of others, the sound of laughter, the sight of faces new and familiar, renew us in faith.

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

Frank Cook

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-19 is here we ask that you pass the peace without shaking hands.

HYMN

AA106 'O God, We Bear the Imprint of Your Face'

Words: © 1987 Shirley Murray (Hope Publishing Company), Music: Orlando Gibbons

- O God, we bear the imprint of your face: the colours of our skin are your design, and what we boast of beauty in our race as man or woman, you alone define, who stretched a living fabric on our frame and gave to each a language and a name.
- 2. Where we are torn and pulled apart by hate because our race, our skin is not the same, while we are judged unequal by the state and victims made because we own our name, humanity reduced to little worth dishonoured is your living face on earth.

 O God, we share the image of your Son whose flesh and blood are ours, whatever skin, in his humanity we find our own, and in his family our proper kin: Christ is the brother we still crucify, his love the language we must learn, or die.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Introduction	
Hebrew Bible	Ruth: 1:1-18 Naomi and Ruth
Reflection 1	
Hebrew Bible:	Ruth: 3: 1-13 Ruth and Boaz
Reflection 2	
Teaching:	Life in post-exilic Israel
Hebrew Bible	Ruth: 4: 13-17 The Genealogy of David

Reflection 3

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

'Who will bring our worlds together?'

Pat Booth

Words: Shirley Erena Murray; Music: WOV 577 Austria

 Who will bring our world together, cross the span of ocean space? What will speak to heart and spirit, every culture, face to face? Jesus Christ, the bridge between us, one to one, and land to land, Word that speaks beyond all language, love that children understand.

- Scattered islands, crowded cities, many contexts are our home, bounded by Pacific waters, cast in shadow of the bomb. Here we bring, around one table, bread of daily life to share, feeding, nourishing each other, growing wiser and aware.
- In our prayer and in our protest let our sparks of hope take fire: let our inner voices make us soft as petals tough as wire, sometimes bending, never broken, challenging unrighteous powers till all violence is ended, till compassion seeds her flowers.
- 4. Working to the Spirit's purpose, celebrating what is just, engineers of kindlier systems, architects creating trust. God in each of us is present, we are given will and worth fit for builders of new bridges, great and small, to change the earth!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

Willing hands, to lead the blind, heal the wounded, feed the poor. Love embracing all our kind, charity with liberal store. Amen

OFFERING PRAYER

For the gifts we receive and the gifts we share, *we give thanks.*

For the abundant universe, with resources enough and to spare, *we give thanks.*

May our offerings of money and food, compassion and goodwill, be multiplied to those who receive them,

blessing them as we are blessed to give. Amen

Tune: Duke Street WOV 24

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, 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

Catriona Cairns

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of South Korea and the National Council of Churches in Korea. We hold all refugees in our hearts. We pray in particular for those detained for many years in Papua New Guinea & Nauru. We give thanks for progress that has been made and pray that their calls for justice might yet find a compassionate response. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Teanau Tuiono and Brooke van Velden, list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of St David's Presbyterian Church, Carterton.

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, 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.

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

At this Table we give thanks for justice, love, peace and freedom. At this Table we give thanks for friends and strangers together in community in this safe place.

For everyone born a place at the Table. We are all invited.

COMMUNION HYMN

AA 100 'Now to your table spread'

Words: Shirley Erena Murray Music: "Love Unknown" John Ireland

- 1. Now to your table spread we come, each one, in faith that you alone provide the words of life and death: in wine and bread, in promised food we find your loving heart, O God.
- Hands of the world stretch out, your mystery to touch in longing to believe a truth beyond our reach, to sing in joy, to cry in grief, to know your meaning in our life.
- Here is our common wealth in sharing what is good, as though all humankind around one table stood, this bread to break, this wine to taste – one people in the name of Christ.

THE STORY...

We remember the stories from our tradition....

How on many occasions Jesus would share a meal with friends. Bread and wine, the very basics of life, shared in community. How bread would be taken, a blessing offered, and then shared amongst them. And all ate.

How some wine would be poured out, a blessing offered, and then passed amongst them. All of them drank.

When they gathered in this way it was a time of concern, conversation and celebration. The bread and the wine symbolised human lives interconnected with other human lives, and the power of giving and receiving.

We remember that on the night before his death he shared the Passover Meal with his disciples and gave the meal a new significance and purpose.

May the passion for life as seen in Jesus and in the lives and struggles of many other committed and faithful people then and now, enable us to dream and to risk....

Together may we re-imagine the world. Together may we work to make all things new. *Together may we celebrate the possibilities and hope*

we each have and are called to share.

For everyone born, a place at the Table.

THE BREAD IS BROKEN

We break the bread for the broken Earth, ravaged and plundered for greed.

May there be healing for our beautiful blue and green planet.

We break the bread for our broken humanity, for the powerful and the powerless trapped by exploitation and oppression. *May there be healing for humanity.*

We break the bread for those who follow other paths; who travel on a different road from us; those who think and act differently; those whose belief system is different to ours; those who see our world through different eyes of ethnicity and culture.

May there be healing where there is pain and woundedness.

We break this bread for the unhealed hurts and wounds that lie within us all.

May we, too, be healed.

THE WINE IS POURED

This is the cup of peace and of new life for all. A sign of love for the community of hope.

A reminder of the call to live life fully, to love wastefully, and to be all that we can be.

Come then, life-giving Spirit of our God, brood over these bodily things, and make us one body with Christ; that we may no longer be in bondage to the principalities and powers that enslave creation, but may know your liberating peace such as the world cannot give.

THE BREAD AND THE WINE ARE SHARED

(The bread and wine will be served in the pews. During this "Covid Time" we celebrate Communion using ONLY gluten free bread. Wine is served in small glasses – the lighter colour is fermented wine – the darker colour grape juice)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give thanks, God, that we have gathered together in this sacred place, that we have been refreshed at this meal. We thank you for each person here. We recommit to being your community for each other, for our city, and our world. Amine

CALL TO SERVICE standing

You are sent in the daring of God, to bless the world with JUSTICE.
You are sent in the intent of God, to bless the world with PROMISE.
You are sent in the longing of God, to bless the world with HOPE.
You are sent in the love of God, to bless the world with GOOD NEWS.
You are sent in the reign of peace, to bless the world with SHALOM.

'This love, this life, this enterprise'

Music: WOV 453 O Waly, Waly. Words: Andrew Pratt

- 1. This love, this life, this enterprise is that by which we will arise affirmed, up-raised, to live again when we have suffered death or pain.
- 2. Our practical adventure here involves both urgency and care; compelled by shared humanity to offer love, set people free.
- 3. And if the task enlarges sight to wider visions, greater height than those which we can reach on earth, then know that God has come to birth.

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

Fugue in D Major (BWV532)

by J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

THANK YOU

Thank you to Peter Franklin

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

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.

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.

HYMN

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

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2021 Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 14 November starting at 11:45 am in the church, following morning tea.

We plan to make the Annual Report available in draft two weeks prior to the meeting, with a final version available as soon as the financial audit is completed.

I understand this has been somewhat delayed due to lockdown in August but will be available in time for the meeting.

Paul Barber, our Treasurer, will also present the 2022 Budget at the AGM and talk about the impact of the COVID alert levels on our income for the current financial year. All are welcome. Lynne Dovey, on behalf of Parish Council

AVAILABILITY FOR ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER TO JANUARY

A reminder for those who help on our rosters that we will be putting together a new roster for the period December to January shortly (including the Christmas services). If you have any dates during this period that you know you will be away please notify the office at <u>office@standrews.org.nz</u> by 11th November. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE (CWS) OPERATION REFUGEE APPEAL

CWS is once again running Operation Refugee to raise funds to help refugees in Jordan and Lebanon with emergency food, medical care and education.

Over my extended Labour Weekend I completed a 100km walking challenge over 5 days to contribute to the fundraising effort. If you would like to contribute, my fundraising page is at https://www.entioegenetics.com/action

fundraising page is at: <u>https://cwsoperationrefugee.nz/sonia-groes-petrie</u>

Thanks so much for your support!

Sonia Groes-Petrie (CWS Parish Advocate)

FROM NORMAN AND LINDA WILKINS

Hello dear friends, it's been more than 3 months since we left you all to go and live in Christchurch. As usually happens with time, sometimes it feels like yesterday and sometimes, especially when we start counting up all that's happened it feels almost like a lifetime. We do miss you all very much and we love having news of what's going on in your lives, thank you so much to those of you who have phoned or emailed and please don't feel guilty if you haven't done either, we know you're there and the grapevine works well!

Each day we feel more settled in our new home. One of the things that helped was putting up our pictures of which we have a few including the lovely one of Petone scenes you gave us. It's amazing how much more homely the place feels with pictures on the wall. It has also been good to be able to make some big improvements to the house because we have a good builder who is project managing it and Norman is of course very much hands-on involved.

Having our family close by, only about a 10 mins bike ride, has been a huge bonus. It had always been our dream that the grandchildren could pop in after school and that is happening a lot. Of course the opportunity for an after school snack helps but really hearing about their day and talking about anything and sometimes helping in the kitchen is all great fun.

Will and Maureen Roxborough will be our first visitors this coming weekend, we're really looking forward to that. The spare room is all ready, so we hope to welcome any of you whenever you can.

Linda and Norman Wilkins

THIS IS HOW IT ENDS

Journalists from Stuff have recently put together a series of short documentaries discussing the present threats to our natural environment and its inhabitants. It is very up to date and interesting.

Maybe it will galvanise us into more action. Maybe it will show us how we can act. You can access the series at this link

This Is How It Ends: The biodiversity crisis (stuff.co.nz)

Thanks everyone Mike WR

FINISHED A LOAF OF BREAD OR BOTTLE OF MILK?!!!

Please save the bread bag and the clip/tie and milk bottle tops. The bags are used at the Compassion Soup Kitchen for "takeaway" lunches and the tags and milk bottle tops get recycled. Please fold the bags and pack separately. There is a collection box on the North Vestry Table. Thanks– Kath, Trish and Brian.

SUPPORT FOR DCM (DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY MINISTRY)

We are grateful for the many services provided by the DCM and one way we can offer our support is to FILL the food baskets at the back of the church each Sunday. They are collected every Monday by a DCM worker.

Suggested items:

Tinned - soup, fish, baked beans, stews and fruit Pasta and curry sauces Jam, Honey Marmite/Vegemite and peanut butter Porridge Biscuits and muesli bars Instant coffee and tea bags

Soap, toilet paper, toothpaste and tooth brushes

(Please no fresh fruit/vegetables)

DCM has been working in the city of Wellington since 1969 with a mission to "focus on the needs of, and to help empower those marginalised in the city, with a current focus on people experiencing homelessness, or at risk of homelessness."

For other ways to support the work of the DCM visit <u>https://www.dcm.org.nz</u> Brian Burrell

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

FAREWELL TO ANDREW BECROFT

https://mailchi.mp/7f9ba14e6d17/my-last-email-as-childrenscommissioner?e=43520260ee

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

Aotearoa New Zealand Campaign to Stop Killer Robots Links to share: Facebook, https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/4448375658543102 Tweet, <u>https://twitter.com/KillerRobotsNZ/status/1453179368419708932</u>

Remembering Parihaka + Wellington events tomorrow

Links to share: 'Remember, Remember the 5th of November',

https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/4473738039340197 and 'Tomorrow is the 140th anniversary of Te Rā o te Pāhua (The Day of Plunder): He waiata tēnei mō Parihaka',

https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/4473734456007222

CEREMONY OF CAROLS

Join us for Benjamin Britten's stunning Ceremony of Carols for choir and harp featuring Michelle Velvin, harpist.

7pm Saturday 20 November at St John's on the Hill, 18 Bassett Road, Johnsonville We will also perform a sparkling selection of traditional and contemporary Christmas music by Gardner, Stopford, Lauridsen, and new works by Jonathan Berkahn. Tickets \$25.00. Limited to 70 seats at the church, due to Covid Lockdown restrictions.

You can book tickets on EventBrite via the choir's website here:

https://festivalsingersnz.org/

Tickets are also available from choir members.

Please book in advance. We can't guarantee door sales due to the limited seats.

If you can't make it to the concert, you can buy tickets to our Facebook Livestream Video of the concert. Details are also on the choir's website.

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	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Laptop	Cameron Smart
Offering	Graham Howell, Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Laura and Melissa Van Echten
Time with the Children	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Catriona Cairns
Communion	Rosemary Lawrence, Margaret Rushbrook,
	Wendy and Andrew Matthews,
	Lois Robertson, Hamish Dick
Rainbow Room Helper	Graham Howell
Library	Ann Barrie
Musician	Peter Franklin
On duty Sunday 14 November	
Welcoming	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound and Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Tony Pears, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Jenny and Gavin Watson
Time with the Children	Graham Howell
Readings	Lynette Burrell
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room Helper	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Library	Catriona Cairns
Musician	Judy Dumbleton

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 7 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham Followed by exploring faith

Wednesday 10 November:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - Original Compositions for Solo Piano - Uriele

Sunday 14 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Fionnaigh McKenzie, followed by AGM

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

1st Sunday Communion service followed by Exploring Faith.

2nd Sunday Congregational Brunch on even months Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec

3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation

4th Sunday 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	Rev. Reg Weeks
Supply Minister	Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham
Parish Council Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Facilities Management Group	Sandra Kirby
Pastoral Care Team	Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Maxine Cunningham, Katrina Harper, Lois Robertson.
Church Music Coordinator	Mark Stamper
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Faith in Action Co-ordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Riah Tahana-Dawson
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistant(s)	Tom Crichton and Hayes Francis
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

St Andrew's on The Terrace

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