



Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

ORDER OF SERVICE

21 November 2021

Pentecost 26

Reign of Christ



Stushie Art

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 The Rev Dr Jim Cunningham The Guest Preacher is Mr Ian Harris

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to be opened by visions that can enlist us in larger causes and more caring actions.

We come to hear stories that might take us into a deeper kind of integrity, and reconnect us with our better selves, We come seeking a warmer fullness that will fill our hearts, our minds and our spirits.

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WOV 310 'Come down, O Love Divine'

Words: Bianco da Sienna tr, Richard Littledale Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams

- Come down, O Love Divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing. O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
- 2. O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes, in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

- 3. Let holy charity
 mine outward vesture be,
 and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
 true lowliness of heart,
 which takes the humbler part
 and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.
- 4. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can tell its grace till he becomes the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

WELCOME

E te whanau a Te Karaiti nga mihi aroha ki a tatou katoa *Kia ora tātou.*

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 CHILDREN

Cameron Smart

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

FFS 75 'Where are the voices for the earth?'

Words: Shirley Erena Murray; Music: Jillian Bray

- 1. Where are the voices for the earth? Where are the eyes to see her pain, wasted by our consuming path, weeping the tears of poisoned rain?
- 2. Sacred the soil that hugs the seed, sacred the silent fall of snow, sacred the world that God decreed, water and sun and river flow.
- 3. Where shall we run who break this code, where shall tomorrow's children be, left with the ruined gifts of God, death for the creatures, land and sea.
- 4. We are the voices for the earth, we who will care enough to cry, cherish her beauty, clear her breath, live that our planet may not die.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

John Harper

Hebrew Bible Daniel 7: 1-2, 13-14

"A king like a son of man"

Gospel/New Testament

John 18: 33b-37
"Are you the king?"

Contemporary reading

'Faith'

By Wilfred Cantwell Smith

"At most times and in most places humankind has been effectively aware that one lives in a world whose greatness transcends one's grasp but does not totally elude one, that Truth, Beauty, Justice, Love beckon one imperiously yet graciously, that awareness we see crystallised in poetry, and art, and philosophy or theology, and ritual, and social structure, and political aspiration.

It comprises, in varying degrees, an appreciation of the transcendent quality of this world as it is, and a countervailing drive to change it into this world as it ought to be; a recognition of personal transcendence both in oneself and in one's neighbour; a sense of being somehow enabled to realise this in fumbling or in fuller richness. Such awareness has been part, at least, of faith, and it has created most of what has been worthwhile in human history."

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTION

"Living Presence"

Ian Harris

HYMN

WOV 163 'Crown him with many crowns'

Words: Matthew Bridges; Music: George Elvey

1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon the throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music, but its own;
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy chosen king through all eternity.

- Crown him the Lord of Love, behold his hands and side; those wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified. No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.
- 3. Crown him, the Lord of Peace, whose power a sceptre sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease absorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
- 4. Crown him the Son of God before the world began, and ye who tread where he hath trod crown him the Son of Man; all hail, Christ Jesus, hail! for thou shalt live in me: thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts...'

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Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me, gave me light and food and shelter, gave me life and set me free. Now because your love has touched me, I have love to give away; now the bread of love is rising, loaves of love to multiply.

OFFERING PRAYER

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

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Laos and the Buddhist people in Laos and throughout the world. 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 Hon Todd McClay (Rotorua) and Ian McKelvie (Rangitīkei). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Cook Islands Presbyterian Church (Wgtn Region), Porirua.

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

CALL TO SERVICE (standing)

Spirit of God, brooding over the waters of our chaos, inspire us to generous living.
Wind of God dancing over the desert of our reluctance, lead us to the oasis of celebration.
Breath of God inspiring communication among strangers, make us channels of your peace.

HYMN

CoC 52 'You are born in us again'

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1. You are born in us again.

Like the warmth of the summer wind you come, to melt away the icicles of vanity and pride; you come to blow the very doors of loving open wide.

Like the warmth of the summer wind you come, (repeat last line)

2. You are born in us again.

Like the scent of the summer rain you come. You come to quench the thirsty and to freshen up the land; you come to clean away the dust that's settled in our hand. Like the scent of summer rain you come, (repeat last line)

3. You are born in us again.

Like the light of the summer sun you come, to give light to the places that have never seen the Son: you come now to embrace us, you're the holy, holy one. Like the light of the summer sun you come, (repeat last line)

BLESSING

May the Spirit which flows through all creation, that speaks through the prophets and the poets, and which acts through those who care, go with you today, and awaken you to the unconquerable power of love.

And

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE RAF March Past

by Sir Henry Walford Davies KCVO OBE (1869 – 1941)

THANK YOU 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

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.

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

OFFER OF SUPPORT FOR WORKING WITH ZOOM

The following people have kindly agreed to be available after church to offer assistance in learning how to use ZOOM. This is in anticipation of perhaps needing to use it for services again in the future.

21st Hamish Common Room

28th Sonia Common Room.

Please bring your devices and/or questions.

Many thanks to Callum, Emily, Hamish and Sonia for offering to share their expertise.

HOPE, GRIEF AND PRIDE FROM COP26

https://secure.avaaz.org/page/en/highlights/

STILLNESS IN YOUR BUSY DAY

Centering Prayer together

Take a breather, rest in silence, fill your tank.

First Thursday every month except January 12:30 to 1:00 pm, (The next Centering Prayer and last one for the year will be on 2 December).

Facilitated by Diane Gilliam-Weeks 027 4978374 dianegw@outlook.com

SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION GROUP

The last Social Justice Education Group will have a Mental Health Consumer Advocate discussing faith communities' response to those with mental health issues. How do we interact with these people? How do we show love and acceptance? When to ask questions about how they are feeling? Responses to medication? Seeking assistance from medical professionals?

LECTIO GROUP

The Lectio group meets at 7pm in the Rainbow Room on Tuesday (23rd November). Please feel free to join us for a period of silent meditation followed by some time spent contemplating a poem. Contact Fiona fionaredsquirrel@gmail.com with any queries.

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.

LIBRARY NEWS

Joan Tyler writes...

"I have just finished reading "Travels with a Stick" by Richard Fraser detailing his journey of pilgrimage on the Camino to Santiago de Compostela. Richard is the minister of Greyfriars Presbyterian church in Edinburgh and instigator of the Greyfriars Project which, like DCM, looks to help the homeless and disadvantaged.

His book tells of his journey, some of the people he met up with and his reflections as he journeyed on spirituality, the problems with the current official church and suchlike. From time to time he sees parallels with biblical stories and reflects on those.

I so enjoyed this book .that I will buy a copy for the St. Andrews library for others to enjoy.. It seems to me Greyfrairs Church sounds very similar to St Andrew's and I think Richard's book is one many St A's people might enjoy.

I got this book from the Library but intend to purchase a copy as I think it is one I will enjoy dipping into from time to time. I so enjoyed this book .that I will buy a copy for the St. Andrews library for others to enjoy as well."

Mike Writes:

Joan has brought the book copy along to church this Sunday. It will be in the library for others to borrow and enjoy. Thanks so much to Joan for your thoughtfulness and generosity..

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	Valerie and Alan Rhodes
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Kath Kerr, John Morgan
Coffee/tea	Maxine Cunningham, Janet Horncy
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room Helper	Rosemary Lawrence
Library	Gillian Feist
Musician	Peter Franklin

On duty Sunday 28 November	
Welcoming	Trish McBride
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Laptop	Cameron Smart
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	Marilyn Wallace, Sally Gray
Time with the Children	Frank Cook
Readings	Wendy Matthews
Prayers of the People	Lois Robertson
Rainbow Room Helper	Ellen Murray
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Mark Stamper

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 21 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by The Rev Dr Jim Cunningham The Guest Preacher is Mr Ian Harris followed by congregational conversation.

Wednesday 24 November:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - RNZAF Wind Quartet

Sunday 28 November 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham Rainbow Room followed by Social Justice.

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

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