



# ORDER OF SERVICE

23 January 2022

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## Epiphany 3

The Profound Mistake

## 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. Ross Scott**

### PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, teach us, Spirit of our God,  
the language of your way,  
the lessons that we need to live,  
the faith for every day.

(Shirley Erena Murray)

### SILENCE

### GATHERING

In all our living, may we be freed  
to see things afresh,  
to be more fully alive,  
and have the courage to keep faith in the way we live  
for the future of humanity.

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#### 'Birth Of A Boy-child'

Words by Andrew Pratt © Stainer & Bell Ltd

Tune: Mueller by James R Murray (PD)

1. The birth of a boy-child, the growth of a man:  
his mother's enigma; a part of God's plan?  
Uncertain, now standing a part of the crowd;  
the still of the water foreshadows a shroud.
2. The death of an old life, the birth of a new,  
as values are challenged, past choices askew.  
Fierce currents of feeling, encounters of love,  
a man by a river, a voice and a dove.

3. That voice stills the crowd at the slow river's rim:  
'My son, my beloved, now listen to him.'  
The birth of a boy-child, the growth of a man:  
his mother's enigma; a part of God's plan?

## WELCOME

Kia ora tātou.

*Kia ora.*

## PRAYER

### Responsive Contemporary Version of the Beatitudes

by Peter Matheson

Jesus, is this what you say to us today?

How blest are those who abhor easy pieties;

*the kingdom of heaven is theirs.*

How blest are those who train in non-violence;

*they shall have the earth for their possession.*

How blest are those who fast for justice;

*they shall be satisfied.*

How blest are those who see enemies as human;

*mercy shall be shown to them.*

How blest are those who live what they profess;

*they shall see God.*

How blest are those who build bridges of reconciliation;

*they shall be called friends of God.*

How blest are those who show the outcast that someone understands;

*the kingdom of heaven is theirs.*

## .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**

### **BLESSING THE CHILDREN (*All stand*)**

For all those of our community on summer holidays and especially for our children, we pray for fun, relaxation and adventure.

*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.*

## **THE WORD IN TEXTS**

**Tony Kirby**

### **Gospel/New Testament**

**Luke 4:14-21**

### **Contemporary reading**

**A sermon of Martin Luther King Jr.**

### **A Walk Through the Holy Land, Easter Sunday Sermon Delivered at Dexter Avenue Baptist Church**

And he (the guide) entered this gate (into Jerusalem), and we walked around and through there and pretty soon, about fifty feet from the gate, we came to a spot and the guide said, "This is where the old temple stood, the Temple of Jerusalem." You remember that temple fell in 70 A.D. The Roman Empire came to stop an uprising in Palestine, and they destroyed the temple. But the spot is still reserved, and there is a big stone in the middle of that point where all of the sacrifices used to take place on the altar. This was the temple where Jesus entered as soon as he got to Jerusalem a few hours and ran the money-changers out of the temple. This was where Jesus made his profound mistake. And what was his profound mistake? His profound

mistake was that he went beyond the realm of talking about what he believed but he was willing to act about it. And he was willing to act on truth, and the world considers that a mistake.

## RESPONSE

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

## REFLECTION

**'Profound Mistakes to be Celebrated'**

**Rev. Ross Scott**

**Flute music for reflection. Ross Scott**

## HYMN

**'Where Does Compassion Start?'**

Words © 2009 Shirley Erena Murray

Tune: Love Unknown by John Ireland WOV 257 (i)

(A response to the 'Charter for Compassion')

1. Where does compassion start?  
How does compassion grow?  
Her seed is at the heart  
of every faith we know:  
compassion honours others' place,  
dethroning self with willing grace.
2. How does compassion thrive  
in worlds of greed and grief?  
Her goodness stays alive  
through those of strong belief:  
compassion, luminous and clear,  
outshining wastes of war and fear.
3. Where is compassion's role  
in cultures, or in creeds?  
At centre, with the soul  
who feels another's needs:  
compassion brings the touch of friend,  
a bandage that will bind and mend.

4. Dynamic is the power  
that heals, restores and gives,  
connecting at the core  
with everyone who lives,  
transcending culture, colour, race,  
compassion builds the house of peace.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

**'Somewhere someone'**

The kingdom of love is coming because:

***Somewhere someone is kind when others are unkind,  
somewhere someone shares with another in need,  
somewhere someone refuses to hate, while others hate,  
somewhere someone is patient - and waits in love,  
somewhere someone returns good for evil,  
somewhere someone serves another, in love,  
somewhere someone is calm in a storm,  
somewhere someone is loving everybody.  
Is that someone you? (jke)***

#### **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**AA 127 'Take my gifts' verse 3**

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Music: ©1992 Colin Gibson Hope Publishing Co.

Take whatever I can offer –  
gifts that I have yet to find,  
skills that I am slow to sharpen,  
talents of the heart and mind,  
things made beautiful for others  
in the place where I must be:  
take my gifts and let me love you,  
God who first of all loved me.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

*Together:*

***Nearly all that we are, and all that we have, comes from this planet,  
from God,  
for we are made from its dust.  
So we bring these offerings and ourselves:  
to bring restoration to our relationships.  
Male to female,  
old to young,***

***nations to nations,  
ethnic group to ethnic group,  
humanity to the natural world,  
and as we do so may we find peace with ourselves and with our God.  
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.*

## **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 Mongolia and we pray for the continued development of indigenous ways of life in a changing 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 Nicola Willis and Hon Michael Woodhouse list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Shannon Co-operating Church, Foxton.

### **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*

## **HYMN**

## **'Amazing Love'**

Words © Margaret Rolfe, Uniting Church in Australia  
Tune: Amazing Grace WOV 56

1. Amazing Love that Jesus told,  
two thousand years ago,  
a story new, a story old,  
a love we all can know.
2. He spoke to crowds in Palestine,  
He speaks to us today,  
He tells us all of love divine,  
to us he shows the way.
3. The realm of God is one of love,  
of justice and of peace.  
It's not about a realm above -  
through love this world release.
4. What we want done to us, can be  
the rule by which we live;  
to follow it will make us free  
to share, to love, to give.
5. The story comes to challenge us,  
It's not the easy road,  
for us to love, as Jesus loved,  
to bear another's load.
6. The realm of God is here with us  
when love and peace we share,  
although we fail, we know God's grace,  
it's love that helps us there.



7. Amazing love that Jesus told,  
two thousand years ago,  
a story new, a story old,  
a love for all to know.

## BLESSING

## SUNG AMEN

## POSTLUDE

## THANK YOU

**Heather Easting**

our musician today

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acknowledged.

## 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***

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

Please save the bread bag and the clip (plastic only)/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 <https://www.dcm.org.nz>.

Brian Burrell

## ***WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES***

### **TONGA EMERGENCY APPEALS**

#### **CWS Christian World Service**

Much of our attention has been focused on Tonga since the major eruption on Saturday. We have been in contact with others and took the opportunity to invite church representatives to make a collective response.

CWS has launched the Tonga Emergency Appeal to assist those affected. We will support the Tonga Community Development Trust to repair and replace with water, sanitation and food crops. There may be other ways we can assist as well.

If you can, please make a donation so we can respond as information becomes available. <https://cws.org.nz/donate-now-tonga/>

#### **Tearfund**

<https://www.tearfund.org.nz>.

### **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	Pat Booth, Jeni Bryant
Sound and Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Graham Howell
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Library	Catriona Cairns
Musician	Heather Easting

#### **On duty Sunday 30 January**

Welcoming	Trish McBride, Lois Robertson
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Bridget Martin, John Morgan
Coffee/tea	Wendy and Andrew Matthews
Time with the Children	Frank Cook
Readings	Wendy Matthews
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Rainbow Room Helper	Sandra Kirby
Library	Trish McBride
Musician	Judy Dumbleton

#### **This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's**

**Sunday 23 January 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Ross Scott

**Wednesday 26 January:**

**10.30am** - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

**Sunday 30 January 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal

Note: Wednesday Lunchtime concerts resume 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 12:15pm and Centering Prayer in the Centre resumes on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 12:30pm.

#### **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

<b>Interim Moderator</b>	Rev. Reg Weeks
<b>Parish Council Convenor</b>	Lynne Dovey
<b>Treasurer</b>	Paul Barber
<b>Facilities Management Group</b>	Sandra Kirby
<b>Pastoral Care Team</b>	Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Maxine Cunningham, Katrina Harper, Lois Robertson
<b>Church Music Coordinator</b>	Mark Stamper
<b>Theologian in Residence</b>	Lloyd Geering
<b>Presbytery Representative</b>	Lois Robertson
<b>Concert Coordinator</b>	Kristina Zuelicke
<b>Faith in Action Co-ordinator</b>	Margaret Rushbrook
<b>Rainbow Room Coordinator</b>	Riah Tahana-Dawson
<b>Centre Manager</b>	Adelina Reis
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Jillene Everett
<b>Facilities Assistant(s)</b>	Matthias Barber and Evelyn Barber
<b>Roster Coordinator</b>	Pam Fuller

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