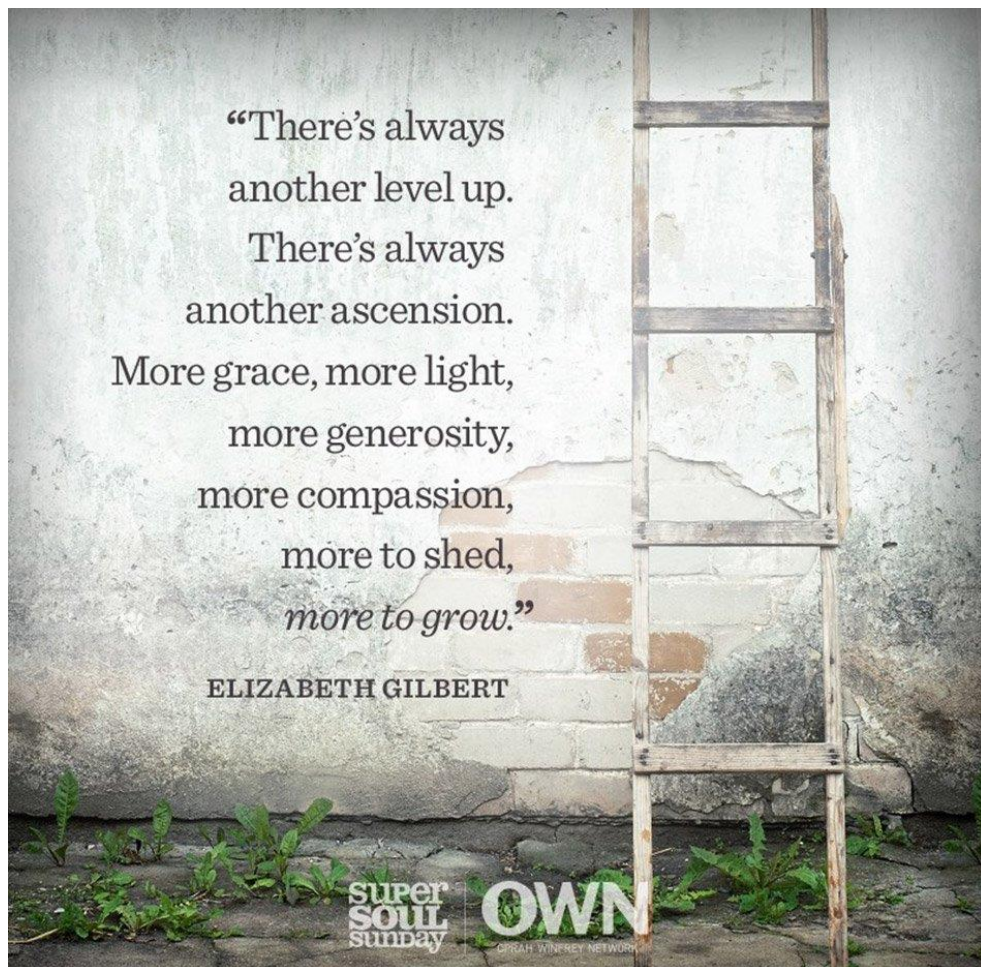


ORDER OF SERVICE

29 May 2022

Easter 7

The Sunday After Ascension Day



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

Christians from early days found Christ in showing hospitality....

So we too offer and receive a warm welcome.

The Celts of old gathered round hearths to share stories,
eat and drink, and keep warm...

the people of the Pacific also have their rituals of welcome and hospitality...

So we also gather together.

People of all lands and times join in circles of community.

***So we make a circle of community today,
creating a place of openness and listening;
to see with new eyes;
to make space for encounter;
and to catch a glimpse of God.***

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Great God of all time'

Words: © 1992 Shirley Erena Murray (Admin. by Hope Publishing Company)

Music: Laudate Dominum WOV 83

1. Great God of all time, this moment we claim
to sing of your love, to honour your name –
the Presence who breathed us, gave life to our void,
a bush ever burning, yet never destroyed.
2. Great God of our land, the Christ Spirit known –
our flaxroots of faith in staunch seed were sown,
through strong men and women, your agents for good,
the heartwood of forests sure-planted has stood.

3. Great God of our Church, our home, our marae,
the place where we learn to live and to die,
here gathered at table our hungers are fed,
one family thankful and sharing the bread.
4. Great God of all time, our land and our Church,
your Presence our life, your vision our search:
by new generations your love be enjoyed,
a love that's forever, and never destroyed!

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava

Talofa

GATHERING

Each of us arrives from all the ordinariness of living,
We come to centre ourselves once more.

To touch again that place inside that opens us to new possibilities
and to choose again our better selves. *(MYoung alt.)*

The blessing of God

The shalom of God

The light of God

be among us and between us, now and always.

PRAYER

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.

So may the warmer fullness that we seek
fill our hearts, our minds and our souls.

May it be so.

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

Graham Howell

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.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Jenn Keenan

Gospel

Luke 24: 44-53

New Testament

Acts 1: 6-11

Contemporary reading

from: "The Song of Jesus"

by Ron O'Grady

They speak of him in tired tomes,
imprisoning him
in their wordy theologies,
giving him shape without substance
in plaster statues,
holding him prisoner
in ancient history.

But he will escape.
Oh, yes, he will escape.
No religious straight-jacket
can contain him forever.

Then it will be our helplessness
and our grace
to see him loosed in the world,
changing,
subverting,
liberating,
weeping,
laughing.....

resurrected.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

'Welcome doubt'

Words: © 2011 David Stevenson

Music: WOV 165 (ii) Blaenwern

1. Welcome doubt! Refine our thinking,
urge us further into light;
lead us to a greater dawning
from the shadows of our night.
Welcome knowledge! Food for wisdom,
leaving prejudice behind;
pledge of science, fruit of reason,
seeking love with all our mind.
2. Welcome truth! But little caring
whence it come, cost what it will;
though it challenge deep conviction,
truth shall be our focus still.
Welcome faith! Our thought transcending,
touching mystery divine;
joy of trusting, source of action,
fervent hope's courageous sign.

REFLECTION

Earthed!

Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham

HYMN

FFS 63 'These Hills'

Words and music by Colin Gibson

Words and music © 1998 Hope Publishing Company

1. These hills where the hawk flies lonely,
beaches where the long surf rolls,
mountains where the snows meet heaven,
these are our care.
Pastures where the sheep graze calmly,
orchards where the apples grow,
gardens where the roses cluster,
these are our prayer.
2. Forests where the tree ferns tower,
rivers running strong and clear,
oceans where the great whales wander,
these are our care.

Race meeting race as equals,
justice for age-old wrong,
worth for every man and woman,
these are our prayer.

3. Cities where the young roam restless,
lives brought to deep despair,
homeless and powerless people,
these are our care.

Places where the Word is spoken,
hands held in serving love,
faiths of our many cultures,
these are our prayer.

4. All that the old world gave us,
all that the new world brings,
language, ideas, customs,
these are our care.
Life finding joy and value,
faith seeking truth and light,
God heard and seen in all things,
this be our prayer.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

Tune: Duke Street WOV 24

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

PRAYER (together)

***God, by our smallest actions, we become part of a bigger world.
The smallest giving can be an expression of
the good spirit of generosity and caring.
Help us to carry through the doorway of each new day
this spirit spirit of generosity and caring. 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

Ken Irwin

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Portugal and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Portugal. 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 Julie Anne Genter and Golriz Ghahraman list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Knox Presbyterian Church, Lower Hutt.

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

'We shall go out with hope'

Words by June Boyce-Tillman © 1993 Stainer & Bell Ltd.

Music: CH4 729 Londonderry Air

1. 'We shall go out with hope of resurrection
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly,
tales of a love that will not let us go.

We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted,
we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of a new life in Christ.
2. We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken;
we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed,
we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
expressing love alive in every heart.

We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping,
raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
we'll leap and dance Christ's resurrection story,
including all within the circles of our love.

CALL TO SERVICE

Go into the world: dance, laugh, sing and create.

We go with the creativity of God.

Go into the world: risk, explore, discover and love.

We go with the encouragement of God.

Go into the world: believe, hope, struggle and remember.

We go with the assurance of God's love.

BLESSING (sung)

Words: Shirley Erena Murray;

Music: Shona Murray FFS 29

God speed us on our way, safe keep us every day,
give us wing, cause to sing, all this we wish and pray.

God give us space to thrive, all senses kept alive,
health and hope, means to cope, joyfully to arrive.

God lead us to the new, places and points of view,
roads to take, friends to make, more life to travel through.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill

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 has introduced a COVID response package which includes some temporary changes to street parking in the city. On Saturday and Sunday the time limit for most metered parks has been extended to 180 minutes, 8am-8pm (compared to weekdays 8am-5pm when it is 120 minutes but extends to 180 minutes 5-8pm). The weekend charge had been reduced to \$1/hour. This change is set to run from 21 March to 30 June 2022. 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

SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION GROUP

The May gathering was first in a long-time and well attended. Thanks all. The attached links are part of what were referenced but not discussed. Our discussion and short film were of a Lower Hutt group's resilience and climate friendly response to various needs including food, sewing and bike restoration. It will lead to a discussion on social housing and community building later in the year.

June 26th is World Refugee Day and I will have a guest from the refugee community.

UN Act Now - <https://www.un.org/en/actnow>

WCC (Not Great to Navigate)

<https://wellington.govt.nz/climate-change-sustainability-environment/sustainable-living>

<https://wellington.govt.nz/climate-change-sustainability-environment/climate-change/what-you-can-do-about-climate-change/five-ways-to-take-climate-action>

Sharewaste <https://www.sharewaste.org.nz/>

Common Unity (The Lower Hutt Group Itself) <https://www.commonunityproject.org.nz/>
Graham Howell

SPIRITED CONVERSATIONS

We have decided to start Spirited Conversations again. The first meeting will be on Tuesday 14 June starting at 7 pm in the upstairs Conference Rooms 1 and 2. As the rooms are not available until that time, we are suggesting that folk who would like a meal beforehand go to Little Penang on The Terrace where the good food will be accompanied by good conversation! Our speaker is Dave Lowe, Climate Scientist and Nobel Prize Winner.

In the early 1970s, budding Kiwi scientist Dave Lowe was posted at an atmospheric-monitoring station at Baring Head, Wellington. On a shoestring salary he measured carbon in the atmosphere, collecting vital data towards what became one of the most important discoveries in modern science.

What followed was a lifetime's career marked by hope and despair, as realisation dawned of what his measurements meant for the future of the planet. Dave has faced down climate deniers, foot-dragging bureaucracy and widespread complacency to open people's eyes to the effects of increasing fossil fuel emissions on our atmosphere.

Dave's talk will outline his personal and family life with his focus on science and his innovative flair that grew from working with other top scientists. He is a wonderful speaker. His personal memoir "The Alarmist: fifty years measuring climate change" (published in 2021 by Te Herenga Waka University Press) won the best first work of general nonfiction award at the Ockham NZ Book Awards on 11 May.

Note: suggestions for subsequent speakers will be warmly considered by Pat Booth, our new Spirited Conversations convenor: phone/text 027 476 0427,
email patricia booth@xtra.co.nz

CHUTNEY AND JAM SALES.

We had at least 26 different kinds of jelly, jam, chutney and cordial at a successful stall on Sunday 22 May, and so far have made about \$500. If you missed out last Sunday, or you have spread that jelly on your toast or chutney with your salad and immediately want more (or want to give some as gifts) there are some limited supplies left. Maxine Cunningham (jimmax117@gmail.com) will take orders and/or will have a few jars available at morning tea for sale in the next week or two. Thanks, Maxine

WANTED - OLD STAMP ALBUMS AND STAMPS

I have been collecting stamps for over 80 years and they now cover 15 albums. Since Nola died last November I have been working on updating them. I am always looking for more and would be very happy to be given any unwanted ones to add to my collection. Spares go to a Children's Stamp Club. Frank Hanson 027 241 3894.

LINK TO A SHORT VIDEO OF FEI'S INDUCTION SERVICE, CONDUCTED 7 APRIL

We indicated in April that a videographer would be present at Fei's induction service. He has put together a video of the highlights of the service. This has now been uploaded to the St Andrew's on The Terrace Youtube account.

Here is the link: https://youtu.be/2KY_ZzV9I-w

Those of us who were present think the videographer has captured the essence of the service very well. Enjoy!

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

CONCERTINA DIVIDER DOOR BETWEEN CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 AND 2

If you have booked Conference Rooms 1 and 2 for a function or event please check with Adelina about how to operate the door prior to the event when you make the booking. Please don't attempt to open or close it unless you have been shown how it works. If the door is not operated correctly it jams and this can result in considerable damage which could incur expensive repair or replacements costs. This would impact on our ability to rent out these rooms which are very popular. Neither of these scenarios is desirable at the best of times but they would be especially challenging at present when we are running a large deficit due to COVID.

If the door does jam on your watch please get in touch with Adelina as soon as possible to advise her. Thank you. Finance and Facilities

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

Links to share: Facebook,

<https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/5119220954791899>

Tweet, <https://twitter.com/PeaceMovementA/status/1529260516484362240>

Military spending increases: Time to #BudgetForPeace

Links to share (with three images): on Facebook,

<https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/5103486763031985> or

Tweet, <https://twitter.com/PeaceMovementA/status/1527439043469844480>

Also if you're interested in #ClimateJustice, check out our 'Guess what's missing from NZ's emissions reduction plan' image, and please feel free to share it via Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/5092155640831764> or re-tweet, <https://twitter.com/PeaceMovementA/status/1526029303019802625>

NZ CHRISTIAN WRITERS

Wellington NZCW Event – 18 June 2022. Petone Baptist Church, 38 Buick Street, Petone.

To register, contact George Bryant: bryantgw@xtra.co.nz or Mobile 027 314 6690.

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	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Laptop	Cameron Smart
Offering	Tony Pears, Fiona McDougal
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Graham Howll, Janet Horncy
Time with the Children	Graham Howell
Readings	Jenn Keenan
Prayers of the People	Ken Irwin
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 5th June

Welcoming	Trish McBride, Michael Parker
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Katrina Harper, Graham Howell
Coffee/tea	Jim and Maxine Cunningham, David Douglas
Time with the Children	Ellen Murray
Readings	Heather McFarlane
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Communion	Sonia Groes-Petrie, Sue McRae, Cam Smart, Paul Barber, Lois Robertson, Janet Martin
Library	Trish McBride
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 29th May 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Jim Cunningham

Wednesday 1st June:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm - Wednesday Lunchtime Concert – Viola Students of the NZSM

Thursday 2nd June 12:00pm: Centering Prayer in the Centre

Sunday 5th June 10am: Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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 and Younger members' (Y) group meets after morning tea/brunch.

3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation

4th Sunday Social Justice Education Group

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

Minister	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
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	Vacant
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jillene Everett
Facilities Assistant(s)	Hayes Francis and Amy de Bruin
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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