

ORDER OF SERVICE

31 July 2022

Pentecost 8

The Rich Fool



Thomas Bertram Poole

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. ***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 Fiona McDougal

PRELUDE

Largo from "Serse" (G.F. Handel 1685 – 1759)

CALL TO WORSHIP

In every corner of the world:

the songs of the Creator will break forth in joy.

In the place where we have always been:

the Christ will speak new things before us.

Stay, stay here until it is time to go

as companions on the way.

In heart and mind and soul and strength, let us stay,

for here we may discover the truth in our midst. Dorothy McRae-McMahon.

SILENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is our peace AA 16

Words: ©Shirley Murray 1992. Music SUANTRAI Irish Traditional 3 vs

Christ is our peace,

Christ is our health,

he the true Word,

his the true wealth --

gifts to be shared by the simple and poor:

peace in your land,

peace at your door.

Peace in your mouth,
peace in the hands
open to truth,
to love's demands:
those who would go with Christ also must bleed --
bright is the flower,
burst is the seed.

Who work for peace
find the true wealth,
who heal the hurt
find their own health --
peace will flow on through the hearts that believe:
this may we know,
thus may we live.

WELCOME

Kia ora tātou.

Kia ora.

Talofa lava.

Talofa

PRAYER

Forgive us, Jesus,
when we cling to the familiar:
block the possibilities:
insist on the old ways.
Forgive the fears that bind us to the past.

Teach us instead
to trust the Spirit's leading:
risk new expressions:
offer THIS day in worship.
Knowing your love
is there on every path.

Chris Polhill.

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

The rainbow candle represents the inclusive nature of our church where all are welcome, and also celebrates our children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cam 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.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

John Harper

Hebrew Bible

Psalm 48:1-12 NLT

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21 NLT

Contemporary reading

From " Sharing possessions: what faith demands
By Luke Timothy Johnson

"To think seriously about possessions, one needs to recognise that our language about and perceptions of possessions are located within a societal and symbolic context. We stand within a given society's appreciation of what it means to have and own, and we can compare these valuations with those of other societies. But these valuations are themselves located within overarching and pervasive understandings about what being human means for a given culture. Thinking and talking about possessions assumes not only a sociology but an anthropology and a theology as well. To use less rarified terms, the ways people regard owning things, and the values they attach to possessions involve the ways they think about human nature (or human freedom in the world), about the place of humans in the world and about the relationship of human beings and the world to God."

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

'Hymn of Promise'

Words ©Natalie Alleyn Wakeley Sleeth

Music: Trad Salley Gardens (In Iona book "Inspired by love and anger 44) 3 vs

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

REFLECTION “Barns and belongings”

Fiona McDougal

A period of silent reflection.

AFFIRMATION

Gracious God,
we believe in the wonder of life in you.
In every moment, we know that
you call us on towards creativity and hope,
never giving up on us, your church.

Christ Jesus, we celebrate
that you have journeyed with us
over all our years together,
never leaving us alone in our humanness
and inviting us towards
fullness of life together.

Holy Spirit of Wisdom,
we believe that you will be discovered
in unexpected places around us,
your shining life emerging before us
and inspiring us to believe
that we can share in your power
to change the world
towards your goodness and grace.
Amen.

Dorothy McRae-McMahon

OFFERTORY MUSIC

“Rusper” Hymn Tune (English Traditional Melody)

OFFERING HYMN

AA 45 “Give thanks for life” vs 1

Give thanks for life,
the measure of our days,
mortal, we pass through
beauty that decays.
Yet sing to God out hope,
our love, our praise,
Alleluia, alleluia.

OFFERING PRAYER

So many blessings have come our way,
we are glad, we are grateful.
May what we offer now be a blessing to others,
bringing hope, giving life.
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.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Slovakia and the Reformed Christian Church in Slovakia. 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 Dr Elizabeth Kerekere and Melissa Lee, list MPs. Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Brooklands Co-operating Church, New Plymouth.

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

"God of our every day

AA52 Words: © Shirley Murray Music : © Colin Gibson: 1992 3 vs

God of our every day,
friend who will walk our way,
light who can change the focus of our seeing,
capture our heart and mind,
be in the work we find,
till all we do becomes your mode of being.

Speak to our spirit's void,
hands that are unemployed,
lives that are lived without a true direction:
gifts that are hid, unearth,
lift us to know our worth,
that in ourselves we see your own reflection.

Shine through our winter's grey,
break through depression's day,
live through the little deaths we die in growing,
meaning for whom we grope,
home of our strongest hope,
power and peace, through all creation flowing.

BLESSING

In our hearts and our houses

the blessing of God.

In our coming and going

the peace of God.

In our life and believing

the love of God.

At our end and new beginning

**the arms of God to welcome us and
and bring us home.**

Iona Community

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

Jerusalem (H. Parry 1848 – 1918)

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>

Information about art work.

Rich Fool Parable painting by Bertram Poole illustrates the rich man surrounded by his abundance while observing the workers who are building a bigger barn. The sun sets causing the dark shadow of night to inch closer to him as the balances or scales behind get ready to "weigh" his soul!
<https://pixels.com/featured/rich-fool-parable-painting-by-bertram-poole-thomas-bertram-poole.html>

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

COVER AND MASK WEARING

A reminder to all attending our Sunday services, and any event, at St Andrew's on The Terrace to please wear a mask.

As the daily COVID cases have increased these last few weeks we are reminded about the importance of mask wearing by the Ministry of Health and other public health experts.

Mask wearing plus vaccination are the two things we can individually do to help protect the community.

While mask wearing at the Orange traffic light setting is not mandated by the Government, we at St Andrew's have been very vigilant about following public health advice for the entire duration of the pandemic and we intend to continue with this approach as a health and safety measure.

A reminder too to wear your mask over your nose and our mouth. Pull the top of the mask up to cover your nose and the bottom down so that it tucks under your chin to cover your mouth.

OFFERING CARDS

At a recent Congregational Conversation it was agreed that it would be good to once again use 'offering cards' so that when the basket is passed around everyone can put something in it.

It was felt that passing around an empty basket (or not even accepting the basket to pass on) was sending the wrong signals about giving for the church ministry and mission.

The wording on the cards indicates that you give to the church via internet payment or automatic payment. There are two kinds of cards: one of the old cards that we used probably a good 10-15 years ago. These are laminated but there are not many of them left. The office has made some new ones printed on green card (note laminated at this stage).

If you are on door duty could you please retrieve these from the box by the door (the one that contains the book for recording attendance numbers) and offer them to people as they arrive at the same time as you give them an Order of Service. Those on offering duty are asked to replace the cards in the box at the end of the service.

Thanks very much.

PIECE FROM THE WADESTOWN NEWSLETTER

Cuppa n' Chat meet every Wednesday morning in the Rainbow Room. Last Wednesday Gillian shared this piece from the Wadestown's newsletter –

Consider this remarkable fact:

In the sermon on the Mount there is not a single word about what to believe. Only words about what to do and how to be.

By the time the Nicene Creed is written only 3 centuries later there is not a single word in it about what to do and how to be - only words about what to believe.

From the book “Saving Jesus from the Church” written by Robin Meyers. Gillian brought along her copy of the book and we are passing it around the group to read.
Lois Robertson

WE ARE ALL EQUALLY HUMAN

Conversations in a coffee shop, Book 2, by Susan Jones. A copy of this book is now in our parish library. The book aims to empathise with and educate both gay and straight, inside and outside organised religion. It is intended to resource the church in its ongoing discussions about members of the rainbow community. The importance of us all recognising each other as equally human whatever our orientation is re-affirmed here. Some of you are wondering how to order the book for yourself. Contact Susan at jones.rs@xtra.co.nz Cost per copy is \$25 plus \$5.60 postage (for 1-3 books). On receipt of emailed orders with a shipping address, Susan will send costs & her banking details. BTW, she benefits most by you ordering your copies directly from her.

Susan’s first book, *Wherever you are, you are on the journey* – *Conversations in a coffee shop*, Book 1, can be ordered the same way.

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.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

AWHI MAI – HOLDING OURSELVES AND BEING HELD

We can be so taken by the beauty of the world coming to us through sights, sounds, tastes, smells, and touches. At the same time, life can be truly tough going...

And while we know these sufferings, we can also live as Openness to all of life *as it is...* Openness that has no story attached and is a gift of grace gently holding us in freedom, even while difficulties will continue to be present.

For many of us, facing into our own physical death may be one more ‘cross’ to bear. Yet it is the same Openness – which never dies, that enables us to do just that.

This silent retreat will support us to *awhi mai* our own physical death through a combination of simple teachings, poems, reflections, and practices. It will be

facilitated Pip Nicholls who has a special interest in spirituality and dying, having worked in hospice care over a number of years.

Venue: The Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St., Island Bay, Wellington

Dates: 7pm on Friday 7th October to 2pm on Sunday the 9th October....

Fee: \$325 residential, \$200 non-residential

Further information/registration by the 1st August 2022 to: pip.nicholls@xtra.co.nz

MEDITATION DAY - SUNDAY 14 AUGUST 2022 1:30-4:30PM

Temple Sinai, 147 Ghuznee St, Wellington

Come join

us for a day of meditation drawing from our shared spiritual kaupapa as Jews, Christians and Muslims. Rabbi JoEllen Duckor will take us through a programme of silence, meditation, and shared reflection, bringing us together into places of shared faith and respect for the precious things we hold in common.

Entry by koha – tickets essential due to limited space.

Get your ticket at: <https://abrahamic-meditation-2022.eventbrite.com>

For more information, contact Dave Moskovitz 027 220 2202 or **Nick Polaschek 0204797956**

KA ĪNOI TĀTOU

All are welcome to join us for a workshop on Te Īnoi a te Ariki (The Lord's Prayer), as it has been translated into Te Reo Māori. As you likely know, the Lord's Prayer was not translated word-for-word but concept-for-concept, and this conversation will help unpack some of the richness behind the beautiful concepts, words, and depth in the words of this prayer. We have set aside this time to reflect together on the meaning of the prayer, in Māori, English, and maybe even Aramaic (the regional language that Jesus spoke). Tihou Weepu (Kai Tahu) will be joining us, to add his perspective as a young(ish) fluent speaker of Te Reo Rangatira, who grew up in the Anglican tradition.

2:30pm 7 August 2022

The Garden Room

St Peter's Anglican Church, Willis Street.

04 382 8486

WELLINGTON WINTER LECTURES IN SCIENCE AND CHRISTIAN FAITH

Presented by New Zealand Christians in Science (NZCIS)

The

relationship of contemporary science and faith can be both intriguing and challenging – especially in an age of misinformation.

You are invited to an

exciting day of lectures and discussion on topics related to physics and ethics.

Saturday August 6, 9am to 3pm

at

St Johns Presbyterian Church, Willis St, Wellington

Cost is

just \$10 and that includes lunch!

Science and

Faith in an Age of Misinformation

Speakers:

- Prof. Jeff Tallon, 'Seeing the Invisible – black holes, the universe and our place in it'
- Dr. Greg Liston, 'Spirit, Time and Transformation'
- Dr. Gray Manicom, 'What the Mysteries of Mathematics Reveal About the Creator' - -

Plus the NZCIS director Nicola Hoggard-Creegan will be there, speaking on the importance of ethical reflection, 'From Hiroshima to Recombinant DNA'.

To register, go to the NZCIS website or visit *Eventbrite* and search "Science and Faith in an Age of Misinformation", Facebook event <https://fb.me/e/3CgwX8RYH>.

SEA OF FAITH IN AUSTRALIA (SoFiA) – Melbourne

Greetings. SoFiA Victoria have sent through their newsletter of events. I have removed the physical meeting and left these Zoom meetings if anyone wishes to participate.

Remember they are 2 hours behind us in time so they start 4pm in our time. Cheers,

Pete Cowley

Zoom

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86098470135?pwd=j78fdCgKxZeoDZqznAKqGnt3TwX8L8.1> Meeting

ID: 860 9847 0135 - - Passcode: 166774

~ *SoFiA promotes the open exploration of religion, spirituality and the search for meaning* ~

All

viewpoints welcome. Enquiries: sofmelb@yahoo.com.au - SOFiA [Website](#).

Facebook: '[Sofiatalk](#)' (Your opinions would be appreciated in their ongoing discussions).

Future Online Topics: 7 Aug. - "Why Buddhism Beckons." - Greg Spearritt (SOFiA

Network). -- 24 Sept. - "Speaking of Love: Meaning and Phenomenology of the Human."

- Yarkov Halik -- 22 Oct. - To be announced. -- 26 Nov. - "An Analysis of Don Cupitt's

Philosophy." - Dr. John Quilter (Australian Catholic University).

PEACE MOVEMENT AOTEAROA

If you have any Hiroshima and Nagasaki commemorative events planned, please email the details to icanz@xtra.co.nz as soon as possible for inclusion in our newsletter. Next week the 10th Review Conference of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) begins in New York, and updates are being added on the ICAN Aotearoa NZ site,

<http://www.icanw.org.nz>

Invitation: 'Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki' Online Forum

Tuesday, 9 August 2022

Links to share: Facebook,

<https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/5300847083295951> Tweet,

<https://twitter.com/PeaceMovementA/status/1552463837617479681>

Join us on Nagasaki Day for this year's 'Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki' online forum to remember the atomic bombings, with the Minister for Disarmament and Arms Control, Phil Twyford, discussing progress towards eliminating nuclear weapons, and Dr Anna Hood giving a live update from the 10th Review Conference of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in New York.

From 12.20pm to 1.30pm on Tuesday 9 August 2022; spaces are limited, so if you would like join us, please register at <https://nomore.eventbrite.co.nz> as soon as possible, thank you.

Organised by ICAN Aotearoa New Zealand, icanz@xtra.co.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	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	John Morgan, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Laura and Melissa van Echten, Katrina Harper
Time with the Children	Cam Smart
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room Helper	Lois Robertson
Library	Gillian Feist
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 7 August

Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Margaret Pannett
Sound	Tony Cowdry
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	John Morgan, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Jenny and Gavin Watson, Marilyn Wallace
Time with the Children	Frank Cook
Readings	Ken Irwin
Prayers of the People	Jenn Keenan
Communion	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Sue McRae, Ross Scott, Ann Barrie, David Douglas
Rainbow Room Helper	TBA
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 31 July 10am Sunday Gathering led by Fiona McDougal

Wednesday 3 August:

10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Wednesday Lunchtime Concert - Douglas Mews – Baroque Organ

Thursday 4 August:

12:00pm Centering Prayer in the Centre

12:15pm Lunchtime Concert - Classical voice students of the NZSM

Sunday 7 August 10am Communion Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith

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	Vacant
Facilities Assistant(s)	Hayes Francis and Amy de Bruin
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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