



# ORDER OF SERVICE

## 5 MARCH 2023

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**2nd Sunday in Lent**

**Nicodemus visits Jesus**

**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 Fei Taule'ale'ausumai**

**PRELUDE**

**'Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele'**

by Siegfried Karg-Elert (1877 - 1933)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to this time of gathering  
aware of sacred mystery

***bringing us to life,  
calling us to freedom,  
moving among us with love.***

Let us open our hearts and minds  
so we can participate in this time  
And with our lives resonate our thanksgiving.

**SILENCE**

**GATHERING**

Each new day opens to us new doors of potential and hope.  
Each new day offers us new challenges; new calls to commitment;  
fresh possibilities for deepening our faith.

In worship we hear the challenge voiced,  
gain strength for the tasks ahead, and learn to grow in faith.

***Let us worship the One we name God.***

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## IECS 59 'Sing a song for peace and justice'

Words: Shirley Murray; Music: John Hughes

Tune: CWM RHONNDA

1. Sing a song for peace and justice,  
speak for those who cannot speak!  
claim the world for peace and justice:  
let the strong support the weak.

*Light a candle in the darkness,  
hope and freedom must not die!  
hope and freedom must not die!*

2. You who live in happy places,  
who can laugh and speak and sing,  
listen for the other voices  
mute with fear and suffering.

*Light a candle in the darkness,  
hope and freedom must not die!  
hope and freedom must not die!*

3. Thousands cry in nameless prisons --  
plead with powers that hold the key:  
plead that human rights be honored,  
that the innocent go free.

*Light a candle in the darkness,  
hope and freedom must not die!  
hope and freedom must not die!*

## WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti,  
Ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.  
***Kia ora tātou.***

Talofa lava  
***Talofa.***

## OPENING PRAYER

For our community gathered here,  
for the spirit that called us together and drew us to this place:

***We give thanks this day.***

For moments we have shared with others;  
for times when we have reached out across barriers  
of distance and fear; for times when others have reached out to us;  
for moments when we have discovered another along our path:

***We give thanks this day.***

For this community of celebration and growth,  
introspection and solitude, and for those moments of  
'that peace which passes all understanding':

***We give thanks this day.***

For our gathering together out of distant places;  
for our weaving together out of many separate selves  
this hour of celebration and worship:

***We give thanks this day.***

## 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**

We light the rainbow candle as a sign of our inclusivity and for our children.

## **FAMILY TIME**

**Dawn Cowdrey**

## **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**

**Tony Kirby**

### **Hebrew Bible**

**Genesis 12:1-4a**

### **New Testament Reading**

**John 3:1-17**

## Contemporary Reading

## 'The Nomad'

by Anthony de Mello

S.J. Wellsprings a book of spiritual exercise

Jesus says, "A person must be born again  
to see God's kingdom."

To understand this better

I make a study of two worlds :

I contemplate the dark world of the foetus...  
then I watch the life of a person who is in love...

I see the pain of human suffering...  
then the comfort of the womb...

I only watch, without reflections  
for these contrasting scenes alone  
will educate my heart.

I see the world the foetus cannot know :  
the glory of the setting sun...  
the softness of the night...  
the ocean's majesty...

Then my mind runs riot  
through scenes of joy...  
and pain...  
and fear...  
and peace...  
and death...  
and violence...  
contrasting each  
with the stillness of the womb...

And a question forms within me :  
Given the choice, what would I choose :  
the ups and downs of life or the comfort of the womb ?  
My answer will tell  
if I have what it takes to be born again.

I can do no more to be born again  
than I could to be born the first time.  
But two things I can do :

One : I can give myself the nourishment I need :  
A child that is born before being formed will perish.  
I must stay in touch with the things...  
the places...  
occupations...  
persons...  
that bring me joy and love and beauty.  
I drink deeply at these fountains now  
with gratitude,  
without guilt...

Two : I can jealously preserve  
my freedom and autonomy :

I must learn to hold on  
to those fountains that I drink from,  
and not get stuck ;  
to enjoy and not possess ;  
seek nourishment and not sink roots.  
For I must always be in readiness  
to move when the time for rebirth comes.

And here I squarely face my fear  
for it is fear that kills my freedom  
and makes me cling.  
I cling to human company  
for I fear to be alone...  
I cling to popularity  
and I fear to give offence...  
I cling to friends and family  
for I fear to be rejected...  
to authority, for I fear being on my own...  
to the security of traditional beliefs  
and dread to have them challenged...

Finally I cling to the known,  
the familiar and the old  
for I fear to be reborn  
— to move into a world  
that is new, unknown and unfamiliar.

I think how I shall drink of love today...  
and joy...  
and peace...  
and pleasure...

And I think how I shall seek autonomy and freedom :  
the risks I shall dare to take...  
the discomforts I shall welcome...  
the changes I shall be open to...  
as a distant preparation  
for the day I shall be born  
into another, wider World.

## RESPONSE

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

## HYMN

### FFS 10(i) 'Come and find the quiet centre'

Words: Shirley Murray; arr. John Bell  
Tune: GAELIC TRADITIONAL MELODY

1. Come and find the quiet centre  
in the crowded life lead,  
find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed:  
clear the chaos and the clutter,  
clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.



2. Silence is a friend who claims us,  
cools the heat and slows the pace,  
God it is who speaks and names us,  
knows our being, touches base,  
    making space within our thinking,  
    lifting shades to show the sun,  
    raising courage when we're shrinking,  
    finding scope for faith begun.
  
3. In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our loves and fears unravel,  
celebrate the space we gain:  
    there's a place for deepest dreaming,  
    there's a time for heart to care,  
    in the Spirit's lively scheming  
    there is always room to spare!

**REFLECTION**     **'How did you come to faith'**

**Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai**

**HYMN**

**FFS 14 'Faith has set us on a journey'**

Words: Shirley Murray  
Tune: MARCHING WOV 110

1. Faith has set us on a journey  
past the landmarks that we know,  
taking risks with no insurance  
but the Word that tells us "Go!"  
    Friend or job or home or lover  
    we may need to leave behind,  
    outworn truths and ways of thinking,  
    baggage to the past consigned.
  
2. Some are swags of easy conscience  
who with others hitch a ride,  
some are tourist-package Christians,  
dollar-safe, with Book and guide.  
    There are others on this journey -  
    those who long and pray and search,  
    heave the stones to free the structures,  
    love the Christ and leave the Church.

3. We are this unlikely people  
in the Body knit as one,  
company of clowns and cripples -  
some are wise and some can run.  
Prophets are our travel agents,  
gospel-makers lay this road:  
to the place of peace and promise  
faith will take us into God.

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

**'Aberystwyth'**

by Joseph Parry (1841 – 1903)

## OFFERING HYMN:

**'Give thanks with a grateful heart'**

Words and Music ©Henry Smith 1978

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because He's given many gifts to us.  
And now let the weak say I am strong,  
let the poor say I am rich,  
because of what our God has  
done for us, give thanks.

## OFFERING PRAYER

*At this time and in this place, may our inner replenishment make  
us more alive to life's moments and more responsive to life's  
creative possibilities.*

***And let the offerings we bring be a sign of our gratitude, and an expression of  
hope for life and the world. 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

**Lois Robertson**

## **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Albania and the Orthodox Autocephalous Church of Albania. We hold all refugees in our hearts and pray in particular for those who are still detained in Nauru. We give thanks for recent progress and pray that their calls for justice might yet be answered with compassion. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Hon Louise Upston (Taupō) and Tangi Utikere (Palmerston North). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Waverley-Waitotara Co-operating Church (Presbyterian-Anglican).

## **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*

## **COMMUNION:**

### **WE CELEBRATE THE CHRISTIAN MEAL OF THANKSGIVING**

#### **THE INVITATION**

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; 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.

## **THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

God is the heart of life.

***And we are the heartbeat.***

May our hearts be filled with thanks and praise and songs of joy.

***We rejoice in the miracle of life and delight in our participation.***

With those who have gone before us, and those who will come after us, we join the whole creation in the hymn of praise:

***Holy, holy, holy, vulnerable God,  
the whole creation is full of your glory;  
hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed are we who come to celebrate Shalom;  
hosanna all around.***

We give thanks to you, O God, for you love the world.

***You look upon your creation and on us and name us good.***

***You conceive in us possibilities, and carry us on into the timeless struggle of bringing to birth your reign of love.***

We give thanks for Jesus our brother, who gave hope to ordinary people like us, and broke through the barriers which separate us from life.

***He proclaimed Good News to the poor.***

***He healed those who were sick, and set free those who were captive to illness of the mind.***

***He sends us out to continue his work and nurture life in his name.***

We thank you, Spirit of Life, for strengthening and empowering us to share the Good News of God's love with others.

***For you desire that all Creation know this love and experience the gift of new life. Come then, life-giving spirit of our God; brood over these bodily things and make us one body in Christ; that we may no longer be in bondage to the principalities and powers that enslave creation, but may know your liberating peace. Amen***

## **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.

## SHARING BREAD AND WINE

The gifts of God for the People of God. Come, for all is ready.  
The Bread of life. The Cup of Blessing.

## COMMUNION HYMN

**CH4 661 'Eat this bread, drink this cup'**

Music: Jaques Berthier (1923-1994)

Tune: EAT THIS BREAD

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
trust in me and you will not thirst. (Repeat)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The feast is ended and the work of the world lies before us.  
Many who work for change suffer resistance.

***So make us strong.***

Many who do new things sometimes feel afraid.

***So make us brave.***

Many who challenge the world as it, arouse anger.

***So grant us inner peace.***

Many who live joyful and creative lives are envied.

***So make us generous.***

Many who try to love encounter hate.

***So we trust in you O God of gracious love. Amen***

## HYMN

**'We shall go out with hope of resurrection'**

Words: June Boyce-Tillman (alt)

Tune: : LONDONDERRY AIR

1. We shall go out with hope into tomorrow  
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.

## **BLESSING**

God go with you in creation.

Christ go with you as your company

and may the Holy Spirit give you hope and peace.

## **SUNG BLESSING**

## **FFS 29 'God speed you on your way'**

Words and music Shona Murray

Tune: STAFFORD

1. God speed you on your way,  
safe keep you ev'ry day,  
give you wing, cause to sing--  
all this we wish and pray.
2. God give you space to thrive,  
all senses kept alive,  
health and hope, means to cope,  
joyfully to arrive.
3. God lead you to the new,  
places and points of view,  
paths to take, friends to make,  
more life to travel through!

## **SUNG AMEN**

## **POSTLUDE**

## **'Minuet – Royal Fireworks'**

G.F. Handel (1685 – 1750)

## **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.

### 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***

### **CYCLONE APPEAL**

St Andrew's will be making a donation to the Red Cross NZ Disaster Fund in the next week or so. If you haven't already donated, the link to donate to the Red Cross is <https://www.redcross.org.nz/support-us/our-current-appeals/new-zealand-disaster-fund/>.

Alternatively, if you would like to consolidate your donation with the St Andrew's donation, please either

- make a payment to this St Andrew's account - 02-0534-0004022-**002**, with Cyclone in the reference or
- put an envelope in the offering basket on Sunday with Cyclone written on it and including your giving number if it is not already on the envelope.

Sue Hirst

### **VISITORS**

From time to time people (including visitors from cruise ships) come into the church during the week and ask the office for information about the building. We would like to produce a booklet which can be given to them and



perhaps have a few people who would be willing to be rostered to be in the church for a couple of hours on cruise days and answer questions. If you are interested in contributing to either of these initiatives, please contact Sue Hirst or the office.

## **WANT TO SING FOR EASTER?**

ALL are welcome!

St. Andrews Singers is open to all who are keen to come to a few rehearsals and join us for Easter worship. The anthem is fun, rhythmic, and energetic.

Rehearsals will be:

Sunday, 19 March (9:00-9:45 am)

Sunday, 26 March (9:00-9:45 am)

Sunday, 2 April (9:00-9:45 am)

Sunday, 9 April (9:00-9:45 am) Easter service

If you are keen to sing with us for this service, please come along and/or email Mark Stamper ([t3maestro@yahoo.com](mailto:t3maestro@yahoo.com)). We look forward to having some of you join us!

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Maundy Thursday Passover Meal 6th April 6.30pm Conference rooms 1&2.

Please rsvp to Fei asap and let her know what you will be bringing from the following list.

Roast lamb joint to share

unleavened bread

green salad

parsley and salt (bitter herbs)

BYO wine, grape juice.

Does anyone have a menorah with candles that we could use on this night please?

Look forward to seeing you there. Fei

## **RENT-A-BACH AND FUNDRAISING TO DATE**

During the last few months three holiday homes have been available to St Andrew's people for rent as a fundraiser to help overcome the deficit in St Andrew's finances caused by Covid. The owners of the holiday homes listed below have generously donated all rent received to St Andrew's.

As at the end of January 2023 the amount raised through this initiative was \$4,560. More income from February will follow and there are some forward bookings for March and April.

This means that together with cake and jam sales of \$1,433 almost \$6,000 has been raised to date. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.

Following our February Finance and Facilities meeting we should be able to report how much has been raised through this initiative to date.

*How about a late Summer break away from Wellington?*

The three holiday homes available are:

1. A classic cottage in Greytown at \$90 per night;
2. A house in Whanganui, with a view over the city and all mod cons including Sky TV, for \$100 per night;
3. A holiday home at Whatamango Bay, nestled in native bush in the Marlborough Sounds, accessible by car with a 15 minute drive from Picton, for \$100 per night.

The Cottage in Greytown sleeps up to 4 people (2 bedrooms: one queen, two singles). A separate sleep-out has 2 single beds for a larger group.

The house in Whanganui and the house near Picton both sleep up to 6 people. You need to provide your own towels and sheets.

For the houses in Greytown and Whanganui, you are responsible to leave the property as you found it. For the holiday home at Whatamango Bay there is a \$50 end cleaning fee.

Send me an email to see if the property you would like to rent is available. Weekends tend to be at a premium so book early.

If your requested dates are available, you will be sent confirmation and detailed information about the holiday home and how to reach it, how to get in,

instructions about water and power, and you will be sent bank account details for you to pay for your stay.

Contact me, Andrew Matthews at: [wa.matthews@gmail.com](mailto:wa.matthews@gmail.com)

Please note that the cottage in Greytown is available for only some of the time during February. Please contact Lynne direct if you are interested on 029 279 8120 or [doveygray@gmail.com](mailto:doveygray@gmail.com)

### **ST ANDREW'S SUSTAINABILITY TIPS...**

*As part of our St Andrew's sustainability group activities we are starting a regular space in the enews to share events and resources.*

*If you have ideas or events to share please contact Sonia (email: [soniapetrie@gmail.com](mailto:soniapetrie@gmail.com) or mob: 027-405-1302)*

### **Events for your diaries:**

*Seaweed 4 - 12 March*

Celebrate connecting with our seas; Toi Moana - Toi Tangata

Various activities throughout the week. Details can be found at:

<https://seaweed.org.nz>

*Climate Change - new plays by Angie Farrow*

As we continue to struggle with the aftermath of cyclone Gabrielle, we're all asking questions about climate change.

Join us for the world premiere of new short plays on the theme of climate change by renowned dramatist Angie Farrow.

Light refreshments and discussion with the playwright.

Kuhu mai - for everyone.

Koha.

Thursday 23 March 7pm, Ngaio Union Church

### **Articles:**

From newsroom NZ:

Why NZ must integrate nature and urban design (video clip)

Is this the end of the Auckland dream?

Build back nature

### **Resources:**

Climate Stewards' Carbon Fast for Lent challenge – living more simply and finding new ways to cut your carbon footprint. Each week will feature a

different fast designed to challenge us to reduce our carbon emissions and take climate action. Sign up to receive a weekly email containing some key facts, suggestions for how you could reduce your carbon footprint, and a prayer.

### **RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES**

As a result of a recent Congregational Conversation, Brian Burrell has provided a list of Wellington City locations where used household batteries can be dropped off for FREE. They are Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Manners Street near Willis (inward bus stop), Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop. Thanks, Brian.

### **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 week 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>.

## **WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### **LUNCHTIME CONCERTS**

Upcoming concerts are:

*8 March - 12:15pm to 1:30pm*

“Inspiring Women” – a celebration of International Women's Day. Organ Recital for International Women’s Day with internationally acclaimed English organist, Catherine Anderson

*15 March - 12:15pm - 1:30pm*

Divine Divisions – the sound of sackbut and viol. Peter Maunder and Robert Oliver present music from the early Baroque including Bastarda style. Kris Zuelicke, harpsichord.

### **CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE URGENT TURKEY & SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL**

Turkey and Syria were struck by a major earthquake in the early hours of February 6, 2023 local time. Thousands of buildings have collapsed. Snow has fallen. Many people have lost their lives and been injured in the devastating quakes. Rescuers and local people are working hard to free people buried in the rubble. The initial 7.8 magnitude earthquake has been followed by severe aftershocks in the southeast of Turkey and northwest Syria. People are urgently in need of food, shelter and medical assistance.

Life was already hard. Many people had escaped conflicts and were extremely vulnerable. More than 4 million people were dependent on relief aid before the quakes. About three-quarters of the people living in Syria’s Idlib province had fled fighting in other parts of the country. The people need protection from the bitterly cold winter and cholera. The prices of food and fuel are rising fast. They need practical assistance to survive. If you can, please [donate today](#).

<https://cws.org.nz/what-we-do/emergencies/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal/>

## **CELEBRATION OF QUEER SPIRIT**

Kia ora, colleagues...

We at St Peter's are wondering whether you are planning any services to celebrate Pride during the festival period...

Quite a number of us will be away in Christchurch at the AWAKEN Conference on Sunday 19 March but we wanted to find a way to acknowledge the gift of the queer perspective as a faith community...

To this end, a group from St Peter's are preparing some special additions to our 10am Eucharist at St Peter's on Sunday 12 March.

If any of your folks are available and interested in coming along we would love to welcome them, and would appreciate you spreading the word!

Mā te wā

Ngā manaakitanga - blessings!

Jean

## **RAINBOW WELLINGTON – UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Friday 10 March - 5.30pm - Social Mixer**

Join Rainbow Wellington for our monthly Friday drinks! This month we are at Eva Beva, Dixon Street, Te Aro. There will be a cash bar, with some snacks provided.

### **Wellington is celebrating Pride 4-18 March.**

Out in the City is back in 2023!

On Saturday 18 March, Wellington's beloved annual queer fair - Out in the City, is back at the Michael Fowler Centre.

Bringing you a full day of LGBTQIA+ celebration in the heart of Aotearoa's capital city. It will be kicking off at 10am till 4pm for a day of celebration, silliness and fun.

### **Thursday 16 March - 5.30pm - Professional Networking**

Hosted by Chorus, this is a great opportunity to meet other professionals from all over Wellington. Aon Centre, Level 11, 1 Willis Street, Te Aro, Wellington.

These events are free for members and \$10 for non-members. \*Members use your email address as the promo code.

<https://rainbowwellington.org.nz/events/>

## **AWAKEN 17-19 MARCH 2023**

Awaken is a gathering/conference for all queer/LGBT+ people of faith across Aotearoa. It is being held at Durham St Methodist Church in Christchurch.

All information is at [diversechurch.co.nz/awaken2023/](https://diversechurch.co.nz/awaken2023/)

Please make this known to anyone you think may be interested.

Tony Pears

### **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	Sandra Kirby
Offering	John Harper, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Wendy and Andrew Matthews, David Douglas
Family Time	Dawn Cowdrey
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Lois Robertson
Communion	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Catriona Cairns, Rosemary Lawrence, Margaret Rushbrook, Pam Fuller
Rainbow Room	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Library	Pauline and David Patchett
Musician	Peter Franklin

#### **On duty Sunday 12 March**

Welcoming	Pat Booth and Jeni Bryant
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	Laura and Melissa Van Echten, Katrina Harper
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Lynne Dovey
Prayers of the People	Johan Van der Merwe
Rainbow Room	Rosemary Lawrence
Library	TBA
Musician	Bruce Corkill

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

**Sunday 5 March** Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

**Wednesday 8 March: 10.30am** - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

**Sunday 12 March 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

<b>Minister</b>	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
<b>Parish Council Convenor</b>	Sue Hirst
<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>	Vacant
<b>Centre Manager</b>	Adelina Reis
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Christine Wilkinson
<b>Facilities Assistant(s)</b>	Amy Harding
<b>Roster Coordinator</b>	Pam Fuller

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