



Hato Anaru o Te Parehua

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ORDER OF SERVICE 2 APRIL 2023

Palm Sunday

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

In Lent the sacred story changes lives:
our complacency is shattered;
we are challenged uncomfortably.
For only this way
is compassion known and peace experienced.
Let us celebrate life in the Presence we name God.

SILENCE

GATHERING

God in Jesus,

You travel with us to the hard places in our lives.

You know whatever depth of pain is within us.

You know our fragility better than we do ourselves.

You know any anger we hold, which sometimes escapes in violence.

You know our fears of doing the hard work of freeing ourselves from old wounds that cause us and others ongoing pain.

You know whatever grief lies buried deep within, awaiting release on our way to the fullness of life you promise.

These are the stumbling blocks within ourselves.

Help us see clearly and compassionately who and how we are.

Help us accept and love ourselves as you accept and love us, so that we in turn are more able to love others.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

CH4 365 'Ride on ride on in majesty'

Words: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868) Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (CRASSELIUS)

- Ride on! ride on in majesty!
 Hark! all the tribes 'Hosanna! cry;
 O Saviour meek, pursue your road with palms and scattered garments strowed.
- Ride on! ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die;
 O Christ, thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3. Ride on! ride on in majesty!

 The wingèd squadrons of the sky look down with sad and wondering eyes, to see the approaching sacrifice.
- Ride on! ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die;
 bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
 then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava *Talofa*.

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God,

Through Jesus you have given us your Light So it might radiate through us

As the revelation of your life-giving power and your offer of transformation.

Help us be mindful of our power to embody life-giving love,

Not blinded by our struggles to our worth and responsibility.

Free us from whatever clouds our transparency

And shades your light and power from others

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

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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 118

New Testament Matthew 21:1-11

Contemporary Reading: What kind of a person by Michael Gehrling (adapted from "What kind of a king" part one)

What kind of person rides on a donkey; a donkey that might be borrowed, or might be hijacked?

What kind of person builds a castle with a wide open door for children to enter but a needle-eye sized hole for the rich?

What kind of person rides on a donkey into the city where his assassins are waiting?

What kind of person enters his assassins' city with a ragtag commotion for all to see and not one security guard?

What kind of person lets his subjects treat him like a military liberator but doesn't come with a single sword or weapon?

What kind of person
lets his followers send a
public message to the competing powers
with no intent of answering a single challenge?

What kind of person are you?

What kind of person can send two followers to fetch a donkey and know exactly what they'll need to say?

What kind of person can tell a blind beggar "your faith has made you well." And actually make him see?

What kind of person can weep at the funeral of his friend only to say, "Lazarus, come out!" and watch him come back to life.

What kind of person can sit at the dinner table with his subjects and be subject to them and wash their feet?

What kind of person can carry his own cross can serve his assassin and help in his own execution?

What kind of person can die so that his assassins can live?

What kind of person are you?

A person who came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.

A person who keeps his promises. A person who I can trust.

A person who can save. A person I want to follow.

And so I come to you, Jesus, not to be served by you but to serve you and to give my life to you.

So, take my cloak use it to clothe the naked or use it for your donkey to step on. I don't care so long as you're the one taking it...

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

AA 22 'Come into the streets with me!'

Words © Shirley Murray Music: Traditional TUNE: SEE SAW SACCARA DOWN

Come into the streets with me!
 Come to where the crowds will be, see a strange and gentle king on a donkey travelling.

Come and follow my leader, come and follow my leader, Jesus Christ is riding by, come and follow my leader!

 All the people shout his name, waving branches, sing his fame, throw their coats upon his road, glad to praise the Son of God – Come and follow my leader, come and follow my leader, Jesus Christ is riding by, come and follow my leader!

3. If the soldiers draw their swords, will we dare to sing these words, be his friends for just a day, cheer him on, then run away?

Come and follow my leader, come and follow my leader, Jesus Christ is riding by, come and follow my leader!

4. Jesus goes where things are rough,
Jesus knows when life is tough,
always comes to us, his friends,
so his story never ends......

Come and follow my leader, come and follow my leader, Jesus Christ is riding by, come and follow my leader!

REFLECTION Jesus the Revolutionary

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

HYMN

HIOS 56 'Here in the busy city'

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray Music: © Barry Brinson Tune: CATHEDRAL SOUARE

1. Here in the busy city now let the Church be seen where lesser gods are worshipped in money and machine; where news is but sensation, the Good News hardly heard -now let the Church take action in living out the Word!

- 2. In policies and planning
 the Church be there to speak
 to moderate the powerful,
 to argue for the weak:
 where law must sit in judgment
 and love is little known,
 there at the crisis centre
 the Christ concern be shown.
 - 3. Where litter chokes the gutter and people go to waste, where joblessness is bitter and living lost its taste -- to under-leavened people be proof of rising yeast, in lives devoid of flavour be saltiness released!
 - 4. Here in the busy city
 God walks on every street
 in generous or greedy,
 the honest or the cheat;
 and daily we must offer
 the good that goes unpriced
 with vigour and with vision the lifestyle of the Christ.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

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

'Willing Hands'

Tune: Duke Street WOV 24

OFFERING PRAYER

Compassionate God,
who calls all people to be one family,
teach us to share your gifts with each other,
strengthen us to make peace by working together,
and challenge us with a vision of the feast
where all are welcome. 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 Angola and the Council of Christian Churches in Angola. 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 Simon Watts (North Shore) and Duncan Webb (Christchurch Central). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of St Paul's - St Mark's Presbyterian Church, Whanganui.

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

CLOSING HYMN

CH4 530 'One more step along the world I go'

Words and Music by Sydney Carter, Words and music: © 1971 Stainer & Bell Ltd

Tune: Southcote

- One more step along the world I go, one more step along the world I go; from the old things to the new keep me travelling along with you: and it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you.
- 2. Round the corners of the world I turn, more and more about the world I learn; all the new things that I see you'll be looking at along with me:

 and it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you.
- 3. As I travel through the bad and good, keep me travelling the way I should; where I see no way to go you'll be telling me the way, I know: and it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you.

- 4. Give me courage when the world is rough, keep me loving though the world is tough; leap and sing in all I do, keep me travelling along with you:

 and it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you.
- 5. You are older than the world can be, you are younger than the life in me; ever old and ever new, keep me travelling along with you:

 and it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you.

BLESSING

May we go out with courage; drawing strength from the story of Jesus, from our own God-depth and from each other, to face whatever we must in building Peace, Truth and Justice in our world.

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 29 'God speed you on your way'

Words by Shirley Erena Murray, © Hope Publishing
Tune: STAFFORD

- God speed you on your way, safe keep you ev'ry day, give you wing, cause to sing-all this we wish and pray.
- God give you space to thrive, all senses kept alive, health and hope, means to cope, joyfully to arrive.
- 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

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill, 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 nember, 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

EXPLORING FAITH GROUP

The Exploring Faith group meets after morning tea on the first Sunday of the month and all are welcome. Pat Booth has taken on the task of coordinating this programme for the year.

The first series of meetings will focus on our commitment at St Andrew's to being a Progressive Church. What does that mean in terms of exploring faith? St Andrew's on The Terrace is known as being a Progressive Presbyterian Church in terms of Theology and Social Justice, and we acknowledge the 'eight points of Progressive Christianity' as one of our statements of faith. However,

while we generally share a common understanding of social justice, our individual interpretations of the theological or faith component of being a progressive church are understandably very different, and rightly so.

Each month, two speakers will make a ten to fifteen minute presentation about why they chose to be part of this faith community, then there will be about half an hour for responses and discussion.

The first two speakers are Heather Macfarlane, a Presbyterian through and through, and the second, Pat Booth, of Baptist heritage, who has been part of St Andrew's for only about ten years. (Incidentally, we're both parson's kids.)

If you would like to be a speaker at a subsequent session, please contact Pat 027 476 0427 or email patriciabooth@xtra.co.nz

By the end of the year I hope we will have discovered a bit more about what we mean when we say we are a Progressive Presbyterian Church!

FUNDRAISER FOR OHOPE MARAE



I would like to propose that St Andrew's organise a fundraiser to contribute to the appeal for Ohope marae:

This work is taking place to safeguard the treasure that is Ohope Marae. There is some urgency here. Recent storms, flooding and

land slips in the North Island have reaffirmed the need for this work to be carried out as soon as possible. In December, Te Aka Puaho advised Council of Assembly of the need to undertake earthworks to retain a slope to the side of Te Maungarongo at the marae. In the image above, you can see that this work is underway. Thanks to your generosity, our appeal has already raised \$20,000 of the estimated \$110,000 required. We still have a long way to go. I encourage you to please raise the idea of giving to this appeal with your parish.

Together let's ensure this peaceful sanctuary remains open to all, available to all, and a place of significance for us and generations to come.

https://www.presbyterian.org.nz/index.php/moderators-appeal-for-ohope-marae-march-2023-update

If you have ideas or would like to help with this let me know: fi@fionnaigh.com

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, 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). 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 Christine in the office asap. Look forward to seeing you there. Fei

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

A big very thank you to Janet Horncy, Lois Robertson and Paul Franken for putting up the Stations of the Cross Banners.

Sue

GREEN TABLECLOTHS

We are missing two of these. If by any chance you took them home to wash could you please let the office know and/or return them to church on Sunday. Thank you, Pam / Christine

SPECIAL APPEAL DONATIONS

In recent months there have been several collections and a big thank you to everyone who has contributed. We have raised the following amounts:

- St Andrews Day November 2022: \$1,455
- Christian World Service Christmas Appeal December 2022: \$585
- Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal March 2023: \$1,070 to Red Cross Cyclone Appeal

TAX YEAR END AND DONATIONS TO ST ANDREWS

The tax year ends on 31 March and all donations and planned giving to St Andrews are eligible for a donation receipt that entitles you to claim a 33% tax rebate from IRD. Donation receipts for planned giving during the year to 31

March 2022 will be issued as soon as we can during April. Please contact Treasurer Paul Barber if you have any questions about donations.

RENT-A-BACH AND FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Over the summer months three holiday homes have been available to St Andrew's people for rent as a fundraiser to help overcome last year's COVID-caused deficit. The owner of three holiday homes have generously donated all rent received to St Andrew's.

As at the end of February 2023 the amount raised through this initiative was \$5,060.00 Together with cake and jam sales the total fundraising effort has reached \$6,493.00. Thanks to all who have contributed to this effort.

If you would still like to take advantage of this opportunity, the houses in Whanganui and Whatamango Bay are still available. The Greytown cottage is no longer available.

Details are:

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

Both sleep up to six people. You need to provide your own sheets and towels. For the house in Whanganui you need to leave the property as you found it. For Whatamango Bay there is a \$50 end cleaning fee.

Send Andrew Matthews an email if you would like to book either of these houses: wa.matthews@gmail.com He will follow up on availability and details for access and payment.

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 or mob: 027-405-1302)

Events for your diaries:

April parish brunch

Advance notice: We are encouraging contributions to our April parish brunch to be via a plastic free method. Let's see if we can minimise the use of single use plastics and encourage our creative sides:)

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:

5 April - 12:15pm - 1:00pm 12 April - 12:15pm - 1:00pm

NZSM String Ensemble Flute & Harp Duo – Anna Prasannan and

Michelle Velvin

RELIGIOUS STUDIES EVENTS AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY—TE HERENGA WAKA

Kia ora koutou, Warm greetings from Religious Studies at Victoria University of Wellington—Te Herenga Waka. It is a pleasure to invite you to the upcoming event hosted by the Religious Studies Programme.

On Wednesday 5 April (12-1pm) Dr Jameel Haque will present a seminar on "Anti-Muslim Racism in the Historical Narrative." Dr Haque is an Associate Professor of History at Minnesota State University, Mankato and is the Director of the Kessel Peace Institute. The seminar will take place in Alan MacDiarmid 106. It is also open to the public.

You do not need to rsvp to attend either of these events. Please do just come along.

STITCHES AMONG THE FLOWERS



Johnsonville Uniting Church and Johnsonville Floral Art Club invite you to an exhibition of handwork and floral arrangements.

Johnsonville Uniting Church Friday 14 April 2023 – 7pm to 9pm 18 Dr Taylor Terrace, Johnsonville

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	Maxine and Jim Cunningham
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Jenn and Barrie Keenan
Coffee/tea	Jenny and Gavin Watson, David Douglas
Family Time	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Lois Robertson
Rainbow Room	Family service
Library	Trish McBride
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 9 April	
Welcoming	Lois Robertson, Pat McGiven
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Margaret Rushbrook
Offering	Bridget Martin, Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy, Katrina Harper, Vivienne
	Mountier, Kath Kerr
Family Time	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Rainbow Room	School Holidays
Library	Pat McGiven
Musician	Judy Dumbleton

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 2 April Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by Exploring Faith

Wednesday 5 April: 10.30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

Thursday 6 April: 12:30pm – Centering Prayer led by Rev Diane Gilliam-Weeks **Friday 7 April 10am** Good Friday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai **Sunday 9 April 10am** Communion Service 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 Conversation4th Sunday Social Justice Education Group5th 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	Sue Hirst
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	Christine Wilkinson
Facilities Assistant(s)	Amy Harding
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

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