



ORDER OF SERVICE

30 JULY 2023

Pentecost 9



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 Doug Lendrum

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us tell our stories as people called to unveil a new life

Our relationship is the empowering event.

Let us do this together with each other and with our planet.

Our relationship is the empowering event

Let us take up the opportunity to heal and to forgive.

Our relationship is the empowering event

Let us sing and dance the new day into being.

Our relationship is the empowering event

GATHERING

Discover in daily life, a sacredness revealed, open eyes, open minds, open hearts, and step into the journey of life...

Be attentive, imagine the impossible, hear the call of the mystery we name Emmanuel.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'A Fire-mist and a Planet'

Words: W H Carruth Tune: AURELIA WOV 387

1. A fire-mist and a planet,
a crystal and a cell,
a starfish and a saurian,
and caves where ancients dwelt;
the sense of law and beauty,
a face turned from the sod
- some call it evolution,
and others call it God.

2. Haze on the far horizon,
the infinite tender sky,
the ripe, rich tints of wheatfields,
and wild geese sailing high;
and over high and low-land,
the charm of golden rod
- some people call it autumn,
and others call it God.

3. Like tides on crescent sea-beach,
when moons so new and thin,
into our hearts high yearnings
come welling, surging in,
come from the mystic ocean
whose rim not foot has trod
- some people call it longing,
and others call it God.

4. A sentry lone and frozen,
a mother starved for her brood,
and Socrates' dread hemlock,
and Jesus on the rood;
and millions, who, though nameless,
the straight, hard pathway trod,
- some call it consecration,
and others call it God.

WELCOME

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

Kia ora tātou.

Ou te faatalofa atu I le Suafa o Iesu Keriso

Talofa lava, we too greet you in the name of Jesus Christ

A special welcome to those who are visiting us, please join us for fellowship in the hall after church.

OPENING PRAYER

How do I make a covenant
with the God that is yet to be
with that which is always abundant
mostly there, yet never to be.

A promise certain, never a contract redundant
how do I make a covenant with an almost free?

Hear my prayer

Do I need a fresh pair of wings
that might master the sky,
do I soar like an albatross fling,
riding the wave lift given to fly
or do I hover like the gull on a string
with eyes looking down with a cry?

Hear my prayer

If the covenant speaks,
should it sing in the cathedral,
a joy to be heard more than squeaks
or should it make its voice sanhedrinal
a covenant to behold as the highest of peaks
that overtakes even the super adrenal.

Hear my prayer

If a covenant is planted as a seed in my heart,
should it take root, growing strong and vibrant,
or, should it be ripe and ready for the part
it plays in harvest of the compliant?
Should it be the horse before the cart
or hallmark of a steadfast and compassionate defiant?

Hear my prayer

So, let these spiritual words
flow through a beating heart,
a gentle hand the sacred awards.
scribbled to bear witness on paper,
a covenant to make that is more than words
a heartfelt gift that cuts a caper.

Hear my prayer

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

Ellen Murray

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

Jim Cunningham

New Testament

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

RESPONSE

For the Word in scripture,
for the Word among us,
for the Word within us.

we give thanks.

HYMN

'Celebrate Each Difference'

Words: Andrew Pratt

Tune: INTERCESSOR WOV 538(1)

1. We cannot make an easy, safe distinction,
all people are our neighbours, none denied.
The voices of all nations heard beside us:
all sisters, brothers, none we should deride.
2. The wall between the peoples has been broken.
In love of God divisions disappear.
As seen in Christ, we recognise our neighbours.
We greet unusual faces without fear.
3. We celebrate each difference God has given.
Each nation, black and white, both straight and gay,
the able and the challenged, God has offered,
that we might share together, learn and pray.
4. We meet with those who paint a different picture,
who value God in words not yet our own.
In dialogue we offer one another
a vision we could never find alone.
5. This God we seek is greater than each difference;
the source and ground of all variety,
the centre and the soul of all creation,
erasing hate with love, to set us free.

CHURCH LIFE SURVEY VIDEO

REFLECTION

"A brief revisiting of the Parable"

Rev Doug Lendrum

HYMN

'Contemplating'

Words: George Stuart

Tune: NICEA WOV 65 (1)

1. Contemplating beauty in and all around us-
If, beholding all there is, we look where God might be,
we shall see such magic shining there before us,
God's incarnation through eternity.
2. Contemplating pleasure – Each exciting venture
can give life a thrilling edge, some fascinating glee.
In delight, amusement, we should feel no censure;
We, in enjoyment, taste God's ecstasy.
3. Contemplating goodness – that which nurtures mercy;
in forgiveness, we receive and we can also give
life and hope to pris'ners. Those who feel quite empty;
With love, acceptance, they have strength to live.
4. Contemplating kindness – that on which we blossom –
building mutuality creates its own reward.
Gen'rous deeds and blessings make us feel most welcome,
God is uncovered, and is thus adored.
5. In our contemplation, hushed into a stillness,
peace is known and love is grown in such serenity;
Contemplating beauty, pleasure, goodness, kindness;
we are engulfed in God's tranquillity.

OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

'Every day I will offer you' - AA 36 (v.2)

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Every day I will look to Christ,
and give thanks for wine and bread,
through the pain and the emptiness
where your world cries to be fed;
help me see I can work for change,
and wherever I might be,
every day in your Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

OFFERING PRAYER

From amidst the very acts of life I cry out.
a listener I seek for my voice!
ears attentive is my plea about
a welcome for my asking, choice!

With doubts fit to become despair I watch,
if not I then who can stand?
Such is my pointless question, botched!
that awaits its reverence beyond my hand.

I wait as my soul waits,
and in the sacred I hope.
My soul waits as expectant baits
more than a watching for the morning to cope.

In serendipitous expectation I place my hope
my belief in tatters before my trust,
my trust is strength before the unknown trope
My gifting chatters like token before rust.
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:

If you have a notice to share, please come forward. Thank you.

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

Hamish Dick

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Brazil and for strength and wisdom for church leaders in dealing with growing religious restrictions. We hold all refugees in our hearts and pray in particular for those who are still detained in Australia. 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 Paul Eagle (Rongotai) and

Hon Barbara Edmonds (Mana). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Island Bay Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

*Renew your people, God,
and renew our life in this place.
Give us a spirit of ecological responsibility,
unity with all who follow the Way of Jesus
and new bonds of love
with people of other faiths.*

*Bless the cities in which we live
that they may be places
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

'Celebrate All Human Beauty'

Words: Shirley Murray
Tune: ODE TO JOY

1. Celebrate all human beauty
caught in colour, form and face,
celebrate the human body
made to move with speed and grace.
Celebrate the human spirit
leaping high to reach a goal,
celebrate our Maker's wisdom
crafting body, mind and soul.

2. Celebrate our own endeavours
to achieve and to arrive
over handicap and hurdle
when against ourselves we strive,
 iron will and summoned courage
 sweeping obstacles aside,
 sweating out our inner conflict
 to acquit ourselves with pride.

3. Sport and faith both speak a language
universal, sensed and known;
where there's shared exhilaration,
new community is grown,
 friendship found in common focus,
 effort turned to common goal,
 honouring our maker's purpose,
 health in body, mind and soul.

BLESSING

Allowing for the rising of the sun
we shall pave the ways for thriving wishes,
unbar-ing the gates for soaring dreams,
we shall unlock the latches for poetic engagement
relieving the heightening of language
we shall dull the anxieties of grieving hearts.
And we shall constantly seek unshakable utterances,
promising goodness, happiness and titillating sanity.

SUNG BLESSING

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.

FFS 29 'God speed you on your way'

Words by Shirley Murray, © Hope Publishing
Music: Shona Murray Tune: STAFFORD

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

'Passacaille – Armide'

(Lully, trans. Jean-Henri d'Anglebert)

THANK YOU

Ephraim Wilson
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

PASTORAL CARE SURVEY

Parish Council, along with the Pastoral Care Group are surveying the St. Andrews Community to find out what the understandings and expectations of Pastoral Care are in the Parish. This will be used to inform what might be offered. This survey is very short, but we welcome suggestions and comments. Survey questionnaires are available this Sunday, and of course we will let you know what we find out.

EXPLORING FAITH GROUP

"The next Exploring Faith Group will be on Sunday 6 August, when we will continue our exploration of what it means to have chosen to be part of a progressive faith community here at St Andrew's. Our two speakers this month will be Anna Smith and Tony Pears.

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

LIBRARY NEWS

Last Sunday Frank Cook gave our talk at Family time. Talking to him afterwards he recommended these two books by this author. He intends to donate a copy of "A Sacred Place to Dwell" to our library.

A Sacred Place to Dwell- By Henryk Skolimowski (1993)

A bold and visionary ecological spirituality for our times.

Skolimowski sees in the ministry of St. Francis a model for an ecological ethic based on empathy with all creation.

The Participatory Mind

A New Theory of Knowledge and of the Universe - By Henryk Skolimowski (1994) Skolimowski's theory of mind moves beyond a mechanistic world view of the past into one which is holistic, evolutionary, and co-creative.

Thanks – Mike Wespel-Rose

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Upcoming concerts are:

Wednesday 2 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Altissime – Samuel Marsden Collegiate Choir

Thursday 3 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Altissime – Classical Voice Students of the NZ School of Music

Wednesday 9 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Inbal Megiddo (cello) and Paul Altomari (double bass)

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING CONCERTS



REFLECTIONS:
A farewell concert featuring the music of

MARK STAMPER
piano

and
INSPIRARE

Sunday
30 July 2023
2pm

St. Andrews on the Terrace
30 The Terrace
Wellington

Koha Entry



This concert is featuring the piano music of our former Music Coordinator, Mark Stamper. He will share some of his story and the music which he loved playing while developing into the artist he has become. In addition to his music, Inspirare will be joining him for 4 selections. This will be the first concert they have sung since May 2021 when they performed a concert of British anthem repertoire featuring the newly refurbished organ at our church.

The concert is free (koha entry) and is an opportunity for Mark and Inspirare to celebrate music, give back to the community, and to share their gifts with Wellington. We hope you all will make plans to attend and tell all your friends.



SATURDAY 12 AUGUST 2PM
ST. ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE
\$30/\$25/ U18 FREE ENTRY
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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	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Tony Pears, John Harper
Coffee/tea	Marilyn Wallace, Vivienne Mountier, Simon Miller
Family Time	Ellen Murry
Readings	Jim Cunningham
Prayers of the People	Hamish Dick
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Pauline Patchett
Musician	Ephraim Wilson

On duty Sunday 6 August

Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Sandra Kirby
Offering	Kath Kerr, John Harper
Coffee/tea	Wendy and Andrew Mathews, Marilyn Wallace
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Communion	Lynne Dovey, Laura Van Echten, Ross Scott, Paul Barber, Ellen Murray, Lois Robertson
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 30 July: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Doug Lendrum
2pm Reflections: a farewell concert featuring the music of Mark Stamper and Inspirare.
Wednesday 2 August: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre
12:15pm - Lunchtime concert: Altissime – Samual Marsden Collegiate Choir
Thursday 3 August: 12:15pm - Lunchtime concert: Classical Voice Students of the NZSM
Sunday 6 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.
3rd Sunday Congregational Conversation and Younger members' (Y) group meets after morning tea/brunch
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	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	Vacant
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Eco Church Coordinator	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Faith in Action Coordinator	Margaret Rushbrook
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Vacant
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Christine Wilkinson
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