



ORDER OF SERVICE

13 AUGUST 2023

Pentecost 11

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

We are here because
we have collected the hurts and bruises
of living through another week.

We gather as the wounded people.

We are here because
we have also seen joy and hope,
creativity and new life in the week that is past.

We gather as the wondering people.

We are here because
we believe that love is the power
that brings life together and makes it whole.

We gather as the worshipping people.

SILENCE

GATHERING

We are called as a community of faith,
a supportive community,
in which we love into being
new possibilities for one another,
calling out of each other the best we have to offer.
In doing so we follow the pattern of our God,
who constantly accepts us as we are,
while drawing us on to realize what we can be.
In worship we build the community
where such fostering of new possibilities
can take birth and grow.

***We will celebrate
life, past, present and future,
in the presence we name God***

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

FFS 57 'Song of faith that sings forever' v1-3

Words: Shirley Murray Music: Colin Gibson

Tune: ABBEYFIELD

1. Song of faith that sings forever
 through God's people, ages long,
 Word that holds the world together
 when our hearts take up the song,
always, always, somewhere sounding,
 though the source we do not see,
 counterpoint to all despairing,
 it is hope that sets the key.
2. Song of faith in exaltation,
 rising through the vaults of prayer,
 tune of simple celebration
 offered up in open air,
song in chapel and cathedral,
 descant to our daily tone,
 song from sickbed or in prison,
 faith must often sing alone.
3. And when life would overwhelm us,
 when there seems no song to sing,
 hear the constant voice of courage
 out of fear and suffering:
all who've loved and trusted Jesus,
 all who lift us to be strong,
 endless, endless are the voices
 of the faith that makes the song.

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

O God, you are the gathering one
who calls us into community with each other
to love and work, support and heal.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with all people;
to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with the whole creation;
to live in harmony, to cherish and renew.

We worship you, the God who makes us one.

Praise be to God,
***who calls the people to new hope in every generation,
who lifts our eyes to see a new heaven and a new earth
which one day will break through the old tired efforts
and reach into justice beyond our imagining.***

Praise be to God,
***who leads us on past crucifixions of defeat and failure,
rejection and faithlessness,
drawing a picture of a new world
ready to blossom from the bud,
delicate and fragile, vulnerable as a baby in Bethlehem.***

Praise be to God,
***who brings to life the dead bodies of despair
which lie entombed in our souls and in our churches,
dancing ahead of us undefeated
in the Spirit of truth and healing and love.***

Praise be to God!

Amen

God - heart of the world:
revealed through every aspect of creation:
understood through our awareness.
May we honour the holiness of creation and act accordingly
so that your love is reflected in the way we live.
May we always be thankful for the food we eat
and the friends we have.
May we forgive those who transgress against us
and be forgiven for our wrong doings.
In the freedom of love may we live as your heartbeat
and not be compromised by hesitation.
Through our freedom, may your justice
be seen and heard and experienced
forever and ever.
Amen.

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

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

FAMILY TIME**Mike Wespel-Rose****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**Rosemary Lawrence****Hebrew Bible:****Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28****New Testament****Matthew 14:22-33****Contemporary Reading****'Gentle Presence'**

By Chuck Lathrop. More Than Words/142-43

For the church to call itself to work as Jesus did,
in poverty and under oppression,
is to seek an unaccustomed stance.
It is to be, stand, and operate from the point of view

of the world's victims and losers.

It is to live and preach the gospel from the bottom up.

It is a falling down, a downward mobility, if you will,
into the commonality of human existence.

It is neither nice nor comfortable.

In addition, it is confrontational and conflictual.

Because of such a stance, the church, while it is committed
to and in the world, will also be at odds with the world 'as it is'.

Such obedience to God will necessarily mean it will be
a minority phenomenon, a threat to any
political or cultural status quo.

The ramifications are many, the cost is high.

RESPONSE

For the Word of God in scripture and story,
for the Word among us,
for the Word within us.

we give thanks.

HYMN

'Startle us, God'

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray;
Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN WOV 28

1. Startle us God, by the signs of your spirit around us.
Shake us awake for the thrust of Your Word to astound us!
Rattle our doors, give our discomfort no pause,
rouse us for work you have found us.
2. Wake us to see where the winds of the city are blowing,
facing the brokers of power where the currents are flowing,
finding the lost, learning what justice may cost,
feeling the pain of our growing.
3. Shock us by showing us Jesus, his style of direction,
welcoming, never conventional in his selection,
open our minds, teach us how prejudice blinds,
colours our culture's reflection.

4. Startle us, God, into confident high expectation,
knowing the hope and the promise of new revelation,
taking your part, praising with mind and with heart,
honouring all your creation.

REFLECTION ‘Are all families dysfunctional?’ Rev Dr Fei Taule’ale’ausumai

HYMN

‘Who is this man?’

Words: Mary Pearson
Tune: LONDONDERRY AIR

1. Who is this man who gathered people to him
and touched their lives along each dusty way,
who spoke to all with passion and with peacefulness
and valued all their ordinary days?
Who is this man, who at the day’s long ending,
would draw apart to wait on God and pray?
Who in the mystery that knows no ending,
would find God’s wisdom
and would know God’s words to say?
2. Who is this man who calls us now to follow,
a shadow presence asking us to be
companions on the way through this life journey,
to live in truth, to set our tired world free?
So, let us find each other now in partnership,
with ears to hear and eyes awake to see,
that we might grow in grace and understanding,
and walk beside that man who comes from Galilee.

A CELEBRATION OF FAITH J Shea (adapted)

We celebrate that where people
are gathered together in love

***God is present and good things happen
and life is full.***

We celebrate that we are immersed in mystery
that our lives are more than they seem

***that we belong to each other
and to a universe of great creative energies,***

whose source and destiny is God.

We celebrate that the spirit of God
beat in the heart of Jesus of Nazareth

***and God's good news was heard
by the broken and wounded.***

We are glad that the spirit of peace
is present with us, the church,

***as we gather to celebrate our common existence,
and the fidelity of God.***

And most deeply we believe
that in our struggle to love,

we incarnate God in the world.

And so aware of mystery and wonder,
caught in friendship and laughter,

***we become speechless before the joy in our hearts
as we celebrate the sacredness of life.***

OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

‘Willing Hands’

Tune: Duke Street WOV 24

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

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Faithful God, you ask us to be faithful people.

In this community, you ask us to be people of justice.

In this community, you ask us to be people of mercy.

In this community, you ask us to be people of peace.

Be with us as we try to be faithful

in large ways and in small ways

so your eternal community may come in every way.

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

Cam Smart

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Burkina Faso and the Association of Evangelical Reformed Churches of Burkina Faso. 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 Hon Paul Goldsmith (List) and Nicola Grigg (Selwyn). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Kapiti Uniting Parish.

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

FFS 63 'These Hills'

Words and music: Colin Gibson

Words and music © 1998 Hope Publishing Company

Tune: KAIKOURA

1. These hills where the hawk flies lonely,
beaches where the long surf rolls,
mountains where the snows meet heaven,
these are our care.

Pastures where the sheep graze calmly,
orchards where the apples grow,
gardens where the roses cluster,
these are our prayer.

2. Forests where the tree ferns tower,
rivers running strong and clear,
oceans where the great whales wander,
these are our care.

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

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

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

4. All that the old world gave us,
all that the new world brings,
language, ideas, customs,
these are our care.

Life finding joy and value,
faith seeking truth and light,
God heard and seen in all things,
this be our prayer.

CALL TO SERVICE *(standing)*

Our worship is ending 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 feel afraid.

So make us brave.

Many who challenge the world as it is, arouse anger.

So grant us inner peace.

Many who live joyful 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.

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 49 'May the God of new beginnings'

Words © John Murray, Music © Colin Gibson

May the God of new beginnings
start with you and me.

May the God of continuing story
speak through you and me.

May the God of infinite wisdom
shine in you and me.

May the God of safe homecomings
welcome you and me.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Bruce Corkill
our musician today

Unless otherwise stated all hymns are used by permission CCLI Licence 341550 or reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #. A-623996. All rights reserved.

Words/music to new hymns and gathering statement, prayers and affirmation are original unless acknowledged.



AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website.

<http://www.standrews.org.nz/category/sunday-gathering>

We welcome all visitors and invite you to stay for morning tea or coffee.

Please sign the visitors' book at the back of the church.

We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us. At St Andrew's we want you to feel at home—to join in with the activities of our community of faith, or to come and find your own spiritual place in your own time. If you would like more information about St Andrew's or to explore becoming a member or associate member, please fill in one of the welcome leaflets (at the back of the church) and hand it to a minister or a welcoming team member.

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

FUNDRAISING – PICKLES, LIMES, LEUCODENDRONS

For those of you who missed the jam and pickle sale in May, there were a few boxes left over, so you will have another opportunity in the hall after church today. There will also be limes and leucodendrons available. Don't forget to bring cash.

Sue

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

There will be a Special General Meeting on Sunday the 20th of August, after the service, to discuss permanent disability access. Printed copies of the proposed process will be available from this Sunday (August 13th). If you would like the document sent to you by e-mail, please contact the office (office@standrews.org.nz).

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.

CHURCH LIFE SURVEY

During the month of August, we hope parishioners will take the 15-20 minutes needed to participate in the Church Life Survey, which is being run by the Christian Research Association. It is particularly useful post-COVID, as it will provide some indication of the impact that the pandemic has had on church life in Aotearoa NZ. Here is the QR code for St Andrew's on the Terrace:

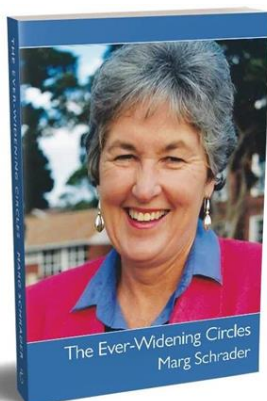


Or you can use the web link:

<https://clsnz.org/chis96Be2rldawic/01H5X084TXH2C8JZHMFC4SM9XZ/en>

For those wishing to fill in the survey in print, copies will be available at St Andrew's from this Sunday. Once filled in, print copies should be handed into the office.

BOOK LAUNCH FOR "EVER WIDENING CIRCLES" BY REV MARG SCHRADER AT ST ANDREWS



Minister emerita Rev Marg Schrader is having her book launch "Ever Widening Circles" (it is her biography) at St. Andrew's on the Terrace on the 27th of August at 2pm. We are asking people to RSVP if they intend on attending her launch. SAOTT is catering for it. We have booked both the church and conference rooms 1 & 2 but will know which venue to choose as soon as we have an indication of numbers attending.

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Upcoming concerts are:

Wednesday 16 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Martin Riseley (violin)

Wednesday 23 August 12:15pm – 1:00pm

NZ School of Music – Wind/Brass

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING CONCERT



Festival Singers

St. Mary of the Angels Choir

When Poems Resound



Works by
Jonathan Berkahn
Lauridsen, Whitacre
Vaughan Williams

7:30pm Sat. 19 Aug. 2023

St. Mary of the Angels
17 Boulcott Street

Book at EventBrite
Tickets from Choir Members

\$25

Children free when accompanied by an adult

www.festivalsingersnz.org



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	Pat Booth, Pam Fuller
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Tony Pears, Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Janet Horncy, Laura and Melissa Van Echten, Kath Kerr
Family Time	Mike Wespel-Rose
Readings	Rosemary Lawrence
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Bruce Corkill

On duty Sunday 20 August

Welcoming	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Tony Pears, John Harper
Coffee/tea	David Douglas, Lois Robertson, Rosemary Lawrence
Family Time	Frank Cook
Readings	Anna Smith
Prayers of the People	Wendy Matthews
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Anna Smith
Musician	Peter Franklin

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 13 August: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by Congregational lunch.

Wednesday 16 August: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm - Lunchtime concert: Martin Riseley, violin

Sunday 20 August: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by Congregational Conversation and Younger Members (Y) group.

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
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
Facilities Assistant(s)	Maddie Fenn, Oscar Ruegg
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller

St Andrew's on The Terrace

www.standrews.org.nz

30 The Terrace – P O Box 5203, Wellington 6145

Office Hours: 9 am – 5 pm Monday to Friday

Phone (04) 472-9211

office@standrews.org.nz



Minister : Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

Office: (04) 472-9376, Cell: 021-836 060

minister@standrews.org.nz

