



ORDER OF SERVICE

10 SEPTEMBER 2023

Creation 2

Land

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

Trio, 1st Magnificat Suite, 1710

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676 - 1749)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. No Ihowa te whenua me ona tini mea; te ao, me te hunga e noho ana i roto. (Psalm 24:1)

SILENCE

GATHERING

What do we bring to this land?

This place that we call St. Andrew's on the Terrace?

Is it mine, your Turangawaewae? Our place to stand and speak our truth?

We say, whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe
come, for all are welcome in this place, our turangawaewae.

a place we call home, a place for us to celebrate our inclusiveness and our diversity.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WOV 91 'Morning has broken'

Words: Eleanor Farjean

Tune: BUNESSAN

1. Morning has broken
like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing,
praise for the morning,
praise for them, springing
fresh from the world.

2. Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.
3. Mine is the sunlight;
mine is the morning
born of the one light
Eden saw play.
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's recreation
of the new day.

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

Gracious Creator whom we name God, gather us in as a mother hen gathers her chicks under her wings. Make this place where we meet our turangawaewae as people gathered together to fellowship and worship in word and song.

Still our hearts and minds that the busyness of our week past can disappear into the distance and we can bring into this moment our nothingness, our silence our openness into this moment and this place. 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

Cam Smart

PASSING THE PEACE

Our practice is to pass the peace without shaking hands and say "peace be with you".

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Trish McBride

Hebrew Bible

Leviticus 25:18-23

New Testament

Luke 15:11-31

Contemporary Reading

"Belong to the land"

by Francis Duggan

Those who tell you they own the land have got it all wrong

For how can we own to what we do belong

To the land that does feed us we return to one day

But the land does remain life works in this way

It should not be a hard thing for to understand

That like all other creatures we are of the land

To prove they have ownership of land people have a legal document known as a deed

But this so called proof of ownership of land is temporary indeed

For the holder of the deed eventually does die

Which proves that land ownership is based on a lie

The land that does feed us is our greatest friend

On our very survival on it we depend

And it should not be hard for anyone to understand

That we cannot own what we belong to and this is the land.

RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture,

for the word of God among us,

for the word of God within us,

we give thanks.

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.

REFLECTION

“This land is your land, this land is my land ”

Rev Dr Fei Taule’ale’ausumai

HYMN

AA 54 ‘God of the galaxies’

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Douglas Mews

Tune: CHEAM

1. God of the galaxies spinning in space,
God of the smallest seed, our living source,
yours is the gift of this beautiful place.

*Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.*

2. Careless and covetous, gross are our greeds,
taking the riches, the garden provides,
wasting its goodness, forgetting its needs.

*Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.*

3. Forests and rivers are ravaged and die,
raped is the land till it bleeds in its clay,
silenced the birdsong and plundered the sea.

*Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.*

4. Let there be beauty, and let there be air
fragrant with peace, never poisoned with fear,
freed from the plagues of pollution and war.

*Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.*

5. Life is a holy thing, life is a whole,
linking each creature and blessing us all,
making connections of body and soul.

*Let us care for your garden
and honour the earth.*

OFFERING MUSIC

Trio, 2nd Magnificat Suite, 1710

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676 - 1749)

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts' verse 1&2

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Colin Gibson

Tune: TALAVERA TERRACE

1. Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shelter,
gave me life and set me free.
Now, because your love has touched me,
I have love to give away;
now the bread of love is rising,
loaves of love to multiply!
2. Take the fruit that I have gathered
from the tree your Spirit sowed,
harvest of your own compassion,
juice that makes the wine of God;
spiced with humour, laced with laughter –
flavour of the Jesus life,
tang of risk, and new adventure,
taste and zest beyond belief.

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

As we bring our gifts of food and money, we come expectant and mindful of those who have very little or nothing. We bring these gifts together with ourselves to be blessed for the work both here in St. Andrew's on the Terrace and for the Downtown City Mission and our community beyond these doors. Help us to be your presence in the midst of hunger and poverty, injustice and violence. Give us a voice to speak for those who cannot and guide us to continue to work for peace and justice in our 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:

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

David Douglas

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Canada and the Presbyterian Church in Canada. 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 Anahila Kanongata'a (List) and Dr Elizabeth Kerekere (Independent). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people Kilbirnie Presbyterian Church.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

***Bless your people, God
and renew our life in this place
Refresh us with a spirit of love and respect
for all who follow the Jesus Way,
for those whose pathways differ from our own,
and for care of the Earth and its creatures.***

***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

AA 26 'Come to our land'

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Colin Gibson
Tune: HAEREMAI

1. Come to our land, come to our hearts,
Spirit of peace, Spirit of truth,
bring in the spring, the hope and the green,
Spirit of growth and Spirit of youth.

Refrain:

*And all our people will sing together:
Wairua Tapu, holy your name,
there's one great Spirit in all creation,
one great Spirit of God!*

2. Come to our land, come to our hearts
Spirit of life, breath of new birth,
teach us to care for water and air,
nourish the seed and cherish the earth,

Refrain:

*And all our people will sing together:
Wairua Tapu, holy your name,
there's one great Spirit in all creation,
one great Spirit of God!*

3. Come to our land, come to our hearts
Spirit of bush, Spirit of bird,
speak to the soul of Aotearoa
joy in your world and joy in your Word,

Refrain:

*And all our people will sing together:
Wairua Tapu, holy your name,
there's one great Spirit in all creation,
one great Spirit of God!*

BLESSING

***Kia tau kia tatou katoa, te atawhai o to tatou Ariki a Ihu Karaiti,
Te aroha o te Atua,
Me te whiwhingatahitanga ki te Wairua Tapu,
Ake, ake, Amine.***

SUNG BLESSING (in Māori)

WOV 679 'Ma Te Marie'

Tune: OLD HUNDRETH

Ma te ma-rie a te A-tua
The Peace of God
ta tou ka-toa e ti-a-ki;
keep us all.
Ma-na a-no e wha-ka-u
God will confirm
O ta-tou nga-kau ki te pai.
our hearts in goodness.

POSTLUDE

BWV 547 'Prelude in C major (9/8)'

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THANK YOU

Bruce Cash
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

PREACHING SEMINAR/WORKSHOP

After morning tea Jim Cunningham will be doing a presentation on preaching. This is the follow-on from some questions he was asked when he spoke about his faith journey a couple of months ago. He will outline a model for sermon preparation he developed while studying in Chicago. All welcome. Expect to be involved!

FOLLOW UP TO FAMILY TIME LAST WEEK

Wisdom

Maori - whakaaro nui

Samoan - Poto

Gaelic- gliocas

English - Wisdom

Some questions..

What is wisdom?

Who is a person I consider wise?

What qualities do I consider as signs of wisdom?

Do I hold any of those qualities myself?

Might I also contain a wise voice?

What might a wise person do in this situation?

Thanks for your participation last Sunday.

Mike Wespel-Rose

TABLES & CHAIRS

If you've been in Conference Room 3 in the last week or so, you'll have noticed our lovely new tables. We now have 5 of the old ones available to anyone who would like one (or more). Melteca, 1600 x 800, legs fold away. Edges have seen better days. First come, first served. We also have some of the old red chairs available. We can't deliver them, so you need to be able to arrange to take them away. Contact the office if you're interested.

HELP NEEDED WITH SET-UP OF THE TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR MORNING TEA

If you are able to come to church a little earlier and could help with this please check in with the team in the kitchen to see if they need any assistance.

ELECTION FORUMS COMING UP

Hutt South Electorate - Meet the Candidates Wednesday 13th September
7.30pm, Waiwhetu Uniting Church, corner Trafalgar and Grenville Streets,
Waiwhetu, Lower Hutt

Living Wage Election Forum Friday 29th September 6.30 - 8pm St Peters on
Willis St

ST ANDREW'S SUSTAINABILITY TIPS...

As part of our St Andrew's sustainability group activities we have a regular space in the enews to share events and resources. If you have ideas or events to share this month please contact Sonia (while Anna is away. My email: soniapetrie@gmail.com)

Season of Creation

This month is [Season of Creation](#) and the theme this year is 'Let Justice and Peace Flow'.

In the congregational conversation the sustainability group would like to discuss and hear your views on planting some natives in the small garden area behind the carpark. If you can't make it to the conversation you can share your thoughts with Sonia (contact details above).

"In this Season of Creation, let us dwell on these heartbeats: our own, those of our mothers and grandmothers, the heartbeat of the created heart and that of God's heart. Today they are not in harmony, they do not beat together in justice and peace. Many are prevented from drinking from this vigorous river. Let us listen then to the call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to this senseless war against creation," - Pope Francis (part of his 2023 Season of Creation message).

Events for your diaries

General election

In the run-up to the general election in October, check out FLOURISHING FUTURES - public panel discussions on a few of the critical challenges we currently face in our societies, held at the Wellington Cathedral of Saint Paul. This second of two public discussions will feature panels of experts offering their insights on various issues.

"We don't need no education?"

Education, citizenship and the common good
Tuesday 12 September 2023, 5:30–6:30pm

An invitation from Degrowth

We hope you can join us, in person or online, for the Beyond Growth Aotearoa conference <<https://events.humanitix.com/beyond-growth-aotearoa>> in Wellington on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September, 2023.

Contact Dick Keller on rwk.trip11@gmail.com for more information.

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Wednesday 13 September 12:15pm – 1:00pm

Baroque Ensemble – with Rebecca Steel (flute), Madeline Sakofsky (oboe), Oscar Laven (bassoon), Kris Zuelicke (harpsichord)

Thursday 14 September 12:15pm – 1:00pm

NZSM Classical Guitar Students

Wednesday 20 September 12:15pm – 1:00pm

NZSM Cello Ensemble

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING SHOW - RUTHLESS WITH JANE KELLER



Our very own Jane Keller is performing in the stage musical Ruthless! from 11-21 October at the Gryphon Theatre in Wellington.

A St. Andrew's group is going on Saturday 21st October. If you're interested in joining the group let Fei know, or, you can purchase your own tickets.

P.S. General Admission i.e. no seat allocation.

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	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Kath Kerr, Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Laura and Melissa Van Echten
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Trish McBride
Prayers of the People	David Douglas
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Trish McBride
Musician	Bruce Cash

On duty Sunday 17 September

Welcoming	Pat Booth, Pam Fuller
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	John Harper, Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Sally Gray
Family Time	Frank Cook
Readings	Marilyn Wallace
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Bruce Cash

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 10 September: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai, followed by a workshop conducted by Rev Jim Cunningham.

Wednesday 13 September: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm - Lunchtime concert: Baroque Ensemble

Thursday 14 September: 12:15pm - Lunchtime concert: NZSM Classical Guitar Students

Sunday 17 September: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Congregational Conversation and Younger Members (Y) group meets after morning tea.

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
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Lois Robertson
Church Music Coordinator	Vacant
Eco Church Coordinator	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Faith in Action Coordinator	Paul Barber
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Vacant
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Christine Wilkinson
Facilities Assistant(s)	Maddie Fenn, Oscar Ruegg, Liam Oakley, Mattias Barber

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