

# ORDER OF SERVICE

31 MARCH 2024

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## EASTER DAY



## 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.

We recognise that being inclusive is an ongoing journey and we are continuing to learn. We are committed to challenging discrimination within the church and wider society.

Please join in the congregational responses printed in ***bold italics***.

Please stand if you are able, for the hymns and the offering prayer.

We usually sing the hymns without announcement.

*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

#### "Coronation March" from Zadok the Priest

by G.F. Handel (1685 – 1759)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

After a time of grieving and sorrow, we awaken to this new day on resurrection Sunday. What does it mean for us? Today is a new day, a day of renewal and transformation, a day to break free from old habits and boring routine, to rethink, reconsider new possibilities and fulfil that which we have put aside and forgotten about in this new phase of being an Easter people.

#### SILENCE

#### GATHERING

So, here we are here in this place. A place where we have been gathering for many years. So, this just another Easter Sunday?

Or is it? How can this day be any different from all the other Easter Sunday's we have participated in? Perhaps the question is more "how can I make this Easter Sunday different from all the other Easter Sunday's I have participated in during my lifetime?"

Spirit of resurrection life and love, may your rising to life stir in us a longing and a desire to grasp some of that new life, new hope for ourselves and for each other. Spirit of life and love, breathe on us a breath of renewal and refresh us this Easter morning.

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## AA 15 'Christ is Alive'

Words: Shirley Murray Music: Jillian Bray

1. Christ is alive, and the universe must celebrate,  
and the stars and the suns shout on this Easter Day!  
Christ is alive, and his family must celebrate  
    in a great alleluia,  
    a great alleluia  
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.
2. Here is our hope: in the mystery of suffering  
is the heartbeat of Love, Love that will not let go.  
Here is our hope, that in God we are not separate,  
    and we sing alleluia,  
    we sing alleluia  
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.
3. Christ Spirit, dance through the dullness of humanity  
to the music of God, God who has set us free!  
You are the pulse of the new creation's energy;  
    with a great alleluia,  
    a great alleluia  
we praise the power that made the stone roll away.

## WELCOME

Kua ara a te Karaiti!

***He pono tonu, Kua ara a Ia. Hareruia!***

Christ is Risen!

***Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

*Manuia le Eseta*

***Manuia le Eseta, Happy Easter***

*A special welcome to those who are visiting us. Please join us for morning tea in the hall after church.*

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious God, still us in this time of quiet and contemplation. May our time together be a time of reflection, renewal and transformation. Empower us to move to new heights and new horizons moving beyond that which we know, from that in which we live think and have our being. Move us from complacency to transformation. Amen.

## **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.

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

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

## **THE WORD IN TEXTS**

**Gillian Feist**

**Hebrew Bible**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

**New Testament**

**John 20:1-18**

**Contemporary Reading**

**"We are an Easter people"**

by Bill Wallace AA 146

We are an Easter people,  
ours is an Easter faith,  
the yeast is rising in our hearts,  
our wine has vintage taste.

We are an Easter people,  
ours is an Easter faith,  
our tears are freed to flow and heal  
our shattered hopes and hearts.

We are an Easter people,  
ours is an Easter faith,  
our fears have died, we rise to live, to dream,  
to love, to dance.

Christ is risen, Christ is risen, Christ is risen in our lives.

## **RESPONSE**

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

## HYMN

## 'Christ Has Risen'

Words: The Iona Community © 1988

Music: HYFRYDOL WOV 439

1. Christ has risen while earth slumbers,  
Christ has risen where hope died,  
as he said and as he promised,  
as we doubted and denied.  
Let the moon embrace the blessing;  
let the sun sustain the cheer;  
let the world confirm the rumour.  
Christ is risen, God is here!
2. Christ has risen for the people  
whom he died to love and save;  
Christ has risen for the women  
bringing flowers to grace his grave.  
Christ has risen for disciples  
huddled in an upper room.  
He whose word inspired creation  
can't be silenced by the tomb.
3. Christ is risen to companion  
former friends who fear the night,  
sensing loss and limitation  
where their faith had once burned bright.  
They bemoan what is no longer,  
they expect no hopeful sign  
till Christ ends their conversation,  
breaking bread and sharing wine.
4. Christ has risen and forever  
lives to challenge and to change  
all whose lives are hurt or broken,  
all who find religion strange.  
Christ is risen. Christ is present  
making us what he has been –  
evidence of transformation  
in which God is known and seen.

**REFLECTION**     *“I don’t know how to love him”*     Rev Dr Fei Taule’ale’ausumai

**REFLECTIVE MUSIC**

**‘I don’t know how to love him’**  
(Jesus Christ Superstar: Organ)  
Peter Franklin

**HYMN**

**FFS 10(i) ‘Come and find the quiet centre’**  
Words: Shirley Murray V1,2 & 3; Susan Jones V3  
Tune: GAELIC TRADITIONAL MELODY

1. Come and find the quiet centre  
in the crowded life we 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 see the sun,  
raising courage when we’re shrinking,  
finding scope for faith begun.
3. Let us reach down deep inside us  
to the place where quiet reigns  
find the God who lives inside us  
feels our joy and feels our pains  
Let our ego stand aside there  
shadow sharing space with light.  
Let our inner selves rejoice now  
God’s love shines in darkest night.

4. In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our lives 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!

## OFFERING MUSIC

### **"Westminster Abbey"**

by Henry Purcell (1659 – 1695)

## OFFERING HYMN

Words: Robert Murray (adapt)

Tune: STUTTGART

Grant us God the grace of giving  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer thankfully.

## OFFERING PRAYER

*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. 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.** Thank you.



**Wind on wave**

Why do we pray?

What is a prayer for others?

Is it 'longing' that we share?

If it is a longing that we share is it a longing for others or ourselves?

The truth is that there is no other in that from our very conception we are in relation so how do we pray for others in an authentic way that is free of ourselves. The answer is that we don't.

The truth is that I need you as the other. I need you to ask me why I care for you. I need you to wonder how I can smile today.

**Let us pray**

Longing

Alone he sits, the ripple of wind on wave

The motion of isolation fails to abate

The sounds of busyness still rave

Strollers brave the breeze to berate.

Alone his sits; the transfiguration awaiting, the longing

Aloneness like defensive secret core overdue

The invitation of tidal life and love abating

The unending present frightens without clue.

Alone he sits the ache bringing horizon close

The longing like lifetimes journey living

The possession of love no longer a dose

A grounded humiliation pierced the giving

Alone he sits the longing with its dangerous edge

Cuts and wounds while promising freedom

Instinct to risk life and invitation not to hedge

Otherness beckons as gift of beautiful kingdom

Longing

From the book

Name the personalised prayer focus

## **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

Let us remember that we are peculiar in our ability to reason and destroy, weapons of mass destruction ready for the rattling in various corners of the world, human trafficking stealing individual dignity to sate the grotesque desires for power our cultures have birthed, the insatiable need for the newest, fastest and brightest trinkets plundering rainforests and canyons and distracting us from the needs of others in our communities, and both willfully and blindly, the needs of future generations. As we reflect on the plight of others let us remember to ask ourselves is this moment, one in which I betray not only others but my own heart?

We think today .....

## **PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S**

If you are visiting today we invite you to make this a prayer for your community as it is for ours.

***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***

## COMMUNION

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.

## WELCOME TO THE TABLE

At this Table we give thanks for justice, love, peace and freedom.  
At this Table we give thanks for friends and strangers together  
in community in this safe place.

***For everyone born a place at the Table.***

***We are all invited.***

## COMMUNION HYMN

### FFS 17 'For everyone born, a place at the table'

Words: © 1998 Shirley Erena Murray Music: © 1998 Colin Gibson

Tune: MENSA/BRIAN MANN

1. For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing  
for everyone born, a star overhead.

### ***REFRAIN***

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice  
justice and joy!*

2. For woman and man, a place at the table,  
revising the roles, deciding the share,  
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,  
for woman and man, a system that's fair.

### ***REFRAIN***

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice  
justice and joy!*

3. For gay and for straight, a place at the table,  
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,  
a rainbow of race and gender and colour,  
for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace.

**REFRAIN**

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice  
justice and joy!*

4. For just and unjust, a place at the table,  
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,  
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,  
for just and unjust, a new way to live.

**REFRAIN**

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice  
justice and joy!*

5. For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be,  
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free.

**REFRAIN**

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice  
and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice  
justice and joy!*

## THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

O Eternal Wisdom, We give thanks,

***because the beauty of death cannot contain you.***

***Since you, the tomb of our world has been opened wide.***

After you lived on this earth

nothing has ever been quite the same again

***You offered for the rituals of the dead***

***the terror of new life and of desire fulfilled,***

Therefore with the woman who gave you birth

the men and women who befriended you and fed you.

who argued with you and touched you,

the woman who anointed you for death

the women who met you on a misty dawn-lit morning

and with all your lovers throughout the ages,

we give thanks, saying

***Holy, holy, holy, life giving God***

***heaven and earth are full of your glory***

***hosanna in the highest***

***blessed is the one***

***who comes in the name of God***

***hosanna in the highest***

Blessed is our brother Jesus

who walks with us the road of our grief,

and is known again in the breaking of bread;

who, on the night he was handed over,

took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:

***'This is broken for you***

***Do this to remember me'***

In the same also the cup, after supper saying

***'This cup is poured out for you***

***Do this whenever you drink it, to remember me.'***

Come now disturbing spirit of our God

***breathe on these bodily things***

***and make us one body in Christ.***

***Open our graves, unbind our eyes,***

***and name us here;***

***touch and heal all that has been buried in us***

***that we need not cling to our pain  
but may go forth with power  
to release resurrection in the world.***

Adapted from *All Desires Known* by Janet Morley

The original of this prayer was first used on Easter Day 1987 in the St Hilda Community

Come for all is ready, the gifts of God for the people of God.

**SHARING BREAD AND WINE** *(if you are able please come forward, otherwise the minister will come and serve you)*

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

OSTINATO RESPONSE: *Meditative* (♩ = 80)



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun - gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst. 2. Your

*Fine*

## **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 is, 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***

## **CLOSING HYMN**

### **PATT 37 'Thank God for Bursting Life!'**

Words: Shirley Erena Murray © 2010 Hope Publishing Company.

Tune: VRUECHTEN WOV 302

1. Thank God for bursting life,  
for greening leaf, for sign of Spirit's sowing!  
The Easter sunrise brings  
the light that can illumine all our knowing!  
What crucifixion failed to kill, is well alive this Day:  
a peace-determined Way, God's realm of hope and promise,  
of peace lived in promise, as Jesus lived this promise.
2. Thank God for courage raised  
to roll away the stones of dead tradition,  
to crack the codes of death,  
to give the fearful powers no free permission!  
What crucifixion failed to kill, is well alive this Day,  
a fairer, kinder Way, a signatory to justice,  
commitment to justice, as Jesus lived this justice.
3. Thank God for feisty souls  
who let no weight of history deter them!  
Who liberate the faith  
who let the Easter air revive and stir them!  
What crucifixion failed to kill, is well alive this Day:  
non-violent, this Way, a charter for compassion,  
the power of compassion, as Jesus lived compassion.

4. Thank God for fresh-baked bread,  
the loaf we share, the yeasty fragrance rising,  
the bubbling up of hope,  
the wine outpoured in joy of God's devising!  
What crucifixion failed to kill, is well alive this Day.  
the Gospel- driven Way: the human spirit's freedom,  
the risen life's freedom as Jesus lived this freedom!

## **BLESSING**

This Eastertide we embrace the spirituality of Life  
as shown to us that first Easter

*and lived out through centuries since;*

*We take with us this day the sure knowledge of Life within  
and Love surrounding us each moment of every day. Amen.*

## **SUNG AMEN**

## **POSTLUDE**

**“Te Deum”**

by Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643 – 1704)

## **THANK YOU**

**Peter Franklin**

our musician today

## **ST ANDREW’S ON THE TERRACE WELCOMES ALL VISITORS**

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.

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## **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

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## **ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### **LLOYD'S WAKE**

Kia ora koutou e te whanau,

This is a warm invite to a wake for Lloyd Jobson at the congregational lunch following church gathering on Sunday 14th April.

It will be an informal, table fellowship way of remembering Lloyd.

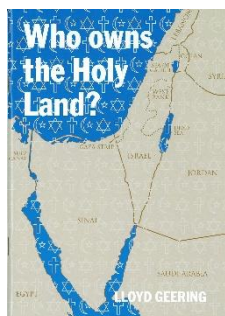
There will be a stall display at the back of the hall of a sample of books from Lloyd's large collection of them. They reflect his longstanding love of learning and vision of education for self and societal empowerment, especially in the cause of social justice and change for betterment in society and the world.

His love of the arts is also reflected by his book collection. Further, his small collection of vinyl records and CDs tells a story of how music had always been his companion Muse.

In the spirit of table fellowship, please feel free to share a few words of how you remember Lloyd at his wake.

Nga mihi nui, Molly Seah

### **WHO OWNS THE HOLY LAND?**



With the current situation in Gaza, we have had numerous expressions of interest in the St Andrew's Trust publication of Professor Sir Lloyd Geering's 2001 lecture series *Who owns the Holy Land?* For those who do not have access to a print copy, it is reproduced here: <https://www.standrews.org.nz/archives/41423>

### **CHURCH LIFE SURVEY**

The results of the Church Life Survey are now available. We have an overview of the results from St Andrew's on the Terrace (29 responses), as well as comparisons with Central Presbytery, other PCANZ churches and all churches who responded. A few printed copies will be available at the back of the church, or you can ask the office for a copy to be e-mailed to you.

Sue Hirst, Parish Council Convenor

## WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

### CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE GAZA PALESTINE EMERGENCY APPEAL



Christian World Service has launched an **emergency appeal** to assist people who have been affected by the current conflict in the Middle East, particularly Gaza. Nearly 85% of the population – 1.9 million people have been displaced in Gaza. They are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and safety.

“The people of Gaza are living in harrowing conditions with limited resources, and we cannot stand idly by while they suffer... Our collective efforts can make a significant difference in the lives of those trapped in this nightmarish situation,” DSPR.

#### Donations can be made through CWS:

- **Online and by direct deposit to the Gaza Palestine Emergency Appeal**
- **By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 72**
- **By Post to: CWS, PO Box 22652, Christchurch 8140**

*NB: CWS is a member of ACT Alliance a coalition of over 140 churches working together on humanitarian, development in over 120 countries.*

### RELIEFAID APPEAL FOR GAZA



**Another option is ReliefAid which is on the ground delivering emergency aid to families**

The situation in Gaza is catastrophic, the death toll rises daily and families have nowhere to flee. Compounding the distress, Gaza’s closed borders have made humanitarian access all but impossible, leaving families lost, abandoned and without the basics needed to survive.

Despite these monumental challenges, ReliefAid is NOW delivering aid in Gaza. Leveraging our established networks on the ground, we have deployed a team within Gaza to deliver life-saving aid directly to families. **Donations can be made here: [www.reliefaid.org.nz/gaza-appeal/](http://www.reliefaid.org.nz/gaza-appeal/)**

Together we will make a difference. Thank you. Mike Seawright, Founder and Chief Executive

### **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	Simon Miller
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Lynette Burrell, Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Kath Kerr, Janet Horncy
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Gillian Feist
Prayers of the People	Doug Lendrum
Communion	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Barrie Keenan, David Douglas, Vhaari McWha, Pam Fuller
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Pauline Patchett
Musician	Peter Franklin

#### **On duty Sunday 7 April**

Welcoming	Pat Booth, Margaret Harper
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Sandra Kirby
Offering	Katrina Harper, Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Marilyn Wallace, Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Family Time	Mike Wespel-Rose
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Judy Dumbleton

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

**Sunday 31 March: 10am** Easter Sunday communion service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

**Wednesday 3 April: 10:30am** - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

**12:15pm** – Lunchtime concert Henry Meng, solo piano

**Sunday 7 April: 10am** Sunday gathering 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
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Presbytery Representative	David Douglas
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
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