

ORDER OF SERVICE

16 JUNE 2024

REFUGEE SUNDAY



Pentecost 4

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 prepared by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai and led by members of the Parish Council

PRELUDE

Elevation ou Communion by Lefebure-Wely (1817-69)

GATHERING

We come to re-weave the unravelling fabric of community

To re-connect once more with the larger human family

To find once more that place of calm.

To remind ourselves that we belong.

And to remember what it is we belong to.

Let us worship in the presence we name God

SILENCE

OPENING RESPONSES

For the refugee home is

where you are understood,

where you can understand.

May this house be a place today

where we can be understood,

where we can begin to understand.

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions;
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of all shall end divisions:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.*

2. Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God through Jesus
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
All are welcome...

3. Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of love's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome...

4. Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome...

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 morning tea in the hall after church.

OPENING PRAYER

Dorothy McCrae McMahan

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.
For our community gathered here,
for the spirit that called us together and drew us to this place:
We give thanks.

For moments we have shared with others;
for times we have reached out across barriers
of distance and fear;
for times when others have reached out to us:
We give thanks.

For our weaving together out of many separate selves
this hour of celebration and reflection;
this beloved community of faith and hope:
We give thanks this day.

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.

FAMILY TIME

Rosemary Lawrence

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

Marilyn Wallace

HEBREW READING:

Exodus 23:9-10

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:35-40

CONTEMPORARY READING

“Christpower”

By Bishop John Shelby Spong

Jesus for the Non-religious

Look at him!

Look not at his divinity,
but look, rather, at his freedom.
Look not at the exaggerated tales of his power,
but look, rather, at his infinite capacity to give himself away.
Look not at the first-century mythology that surrounds him,
but look, rather, at his courage to be,
his ability to live, and
the contagious quality of his love.

Stop your frantic search!
Be still and know that this is God:
this love,
this freedom,
this life,
this being;

And
when you are accepted, accept yourself;
when you are forgiven, forgive yourself;
when you are loved, love yourself.
Grasp that Christpower
and dare to be yourself!

That is, I believe the pathway to God,
the God whom I have encountered in the
profoundly human Jesus.
Shalom!

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

FFS 34 'I am standing waiting'

Words © Shirley Murray Tune : AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE

1. I am standing waiting,
waiting at your door,
one of hunger's children
from a billion poor,
though you cannot see me,
though I am so small —
listen to my crying,
crying for us all.
2. I stand at your table
asking to be fed,
holding up my rice bowl,
begging for your bread,
I stand at your schoolroom
longing just to learn,
hoping that you'll teach me
ways to live and learn.
3. I stand at your clinic
begging for vaccine,
I stand at your wash place
where the water's clean,
I stand at your office,
beg the Heads of State,
I am just a child, so
I must hope and wait.
4. I stand in your churches,
listen to your prayers,
long to know a God who
understands and cares.
If there is a God,
a God who loves the poor,
I'm still standing waiting,
waiting at your door.

REFLECTION

Refugee Sunday

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

'Rivers of Babylon' Soweto Gospel Choir

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Words: Robert Murry (adapted) 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 bring these gifts of food for those who need it.

We bring these gifts of money so that this church
may continue to make the Way of Jesus a practical reality.

We offer ourselves as pilgrim people seeking to walk the way
of light and love.

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. 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Barrie Keenan

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Iran (Islamic Republic) and the Synod of the Evangelical Church of Iran. We hold all refugees in our hearts and pray in particular for those who are still detained in Australia. We give thanks that we in New Zealand have at last secured the chance to welcome 450 of this group over the next 3 years. We pray that more will have the opportunity to be resettled in the near future. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Ibrahim Omer and Hon David Parker. Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Waipukurau - St Andrew's 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.*

HYMN

AA89 'Light of Lights Beholden'
Indigo II—Words & music by Jenny McLeod ©1983

1. Light of lights beholden
we from days of olden
sang this song
for to understand
that peace upon this planet
was pledged to come.
Each to other, sister, brother,
born for life and song,

*look towards the light and carry on:
let the simple heart and hope among us
keep our family strong,
let the simple heart and hope
among us keep our family strong.*

2. Darkness all around us,
light has always found us,
light will come
where the dark is deepest,
greater light will keep us safe from harm.
Troubled times will always find
a voice of trouble doom,

*look towards the light and carry on:
let the simple heart and hope among us
keep our family strong,
let the simple heart and hope
among us keep our family strong.*

SENDING OUT- CALL TO SERVICE (standing)

Go, as people who are free and responsible.

We go to live out our freedom by the choices we make.

Go in freedom to be instruments of peace.

We go to act in ways that will achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, in ourselves, in our community, and in our world.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

Festive Trumpet Tune by David German (1954-)

THANK YOU

Judy Dumbleton
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.

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

UPCOMING LUNCHTIME CONCERTS



Wednesday 19 June 12:15pm – 1:00pm
Otis Prescott-Mason – solo piano



Thursday 20 June 12:15pm – 1:00pm
Quang Hong Luu – solo piano

SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION GROUP – SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 12-1PM

Will host Kate Day from faith-based advocacy group Common Grace to talk about mid-winter energy hardship and what advocacy for change we can all be involved with. The following month on the 28th of July we are looking forward to hosting former Human Rights Commissioner Paul Hunt to reflect with us on the state of human rights. More information to follow soon.

LIBRARY

The following books have just been recommended and donated by Barrie Keenan. They will be on display on Sunday on library table.

The family of Man - Great photographs

Finding out way - Margaret Wheatley

Leadership and the New Science - Margaret Wheatley

A simpler way - Margaret Wheatley

What matters Most - Hyrum Smith

We celebrating people- John Hunt

We spirited people- John Hunt

Ethics - D Bonhoeffer

Thanks, Mike Wespel-Rose.

OPEN LECTURE – OTAGO UNIVERSITY

Between Jesus and the Gospels: Eyewitnesses, Memory and Orality. Livestream Tuesday 18 June 5.15pm-6.30pm. This is an Open Lecture from the University of Otago to be given by Professor Darrell Bock of Dallas Theological Seminary.

If anyone is interested in joining me to watch this we can use the Rainbow Room.

Please speak to me today. Tony Pears - 0275019449

SUNDAY 30 JUNE – SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Being the 5th Sunday of the month, our custom is for "Lay Persons "to facilitate our worship service. This year the plan is that we explore together what it means to be living out our statement of being a progressive faith community. With our members being on a journey and recognising that there are different journeys and different stages. The hope is that people will feel involved. So, in what is done together to both learn and be encouraged. Should you wish to find out more this can be easily done by talking with Barrie Keenan, or Rosemary Lawrence, or Mike Wespel-Rose.

CLIMATE ACTION

A small group of St Andrew's people are becoming a regular part of the weekly climate action protest at Parliament on Tuesdays. If you're free on any Tuesday please come and join us between 12.30 and 1.30pm. The protest is part of an international movement called Fridays for Future:

<https://www.fridaysforfuture.nz/>. Every Friday, groups of people around the world take a stand for more urgent action on climate change. But in Wellington we do it at Parliament on Tuesdays as MPs are in their electorates on Fridays.

If you would like to join us at Parliament on any Tuesday, please be in touch:

annasmith6012@gmail.com or 027 476 8273. Or just turn up! Many

thanks. Anna Smith.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

SAVE THE DATE

St. Andrew's Organ Recital – Saturday October 19th

The Wellington Organists Association is delighted to announce there will be a recital at St. Andrew's on the Terrace by international concert organist Martin Setchell [Martin Setchell](#) at 3pm on October 19th. Martin is a well known performer and believes in promoting entertaining organ music to a wide audience. Please save the date, and extend an invitation to family and friends to come and hear Martin playing the newly restored Croft organ.

Admission is free and all are welcome - koha invited.

UPCOMING CONCERT – FAURE REQUIEM SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2.30PM

Faure Requiem performed by Resonance Choir promises to be a beautiful event. The Faure Requiem is arguably the greatest, most sumptuous music written in the choral repertoire. The concert starts with well known pieces by Mozart and Bach and crescendos towards the beginning of the Requiem, where, under the wonderful acoustic of St Pauls Cathedral you can sit back and wallow in the music. Directed by Simon Christie with Lexus Song Quest finalist, Joe Haddow as baritone and Anna Sedcole as soprano. The concert is accompanied by the magnificent sounds of the Cathedral Organ with Michael Stewart - Music Director of St Paul's Cathedral Wellington and The Tudor Consort at the helm!

VUW UNIVERSITY COUNCIL ACTION FOR A LIVING WAGE

Kia ora ALL,

VUW does not pay a living wage as a minimum to all its staff!

This needs to change. Students, staff, alumni, and the community are coming together to tell the University Council that it is high time for a living wage. Come stand with us as we call on the VUW leadership to do the right thing and ensure that the over 500 directly employed staff, and contracted catering and cleaning workers are finally recognized for their tremendous contribution to the VUW community. ***The action is at 8:45 am on the 17th of June at the Hunter Council Chamber. We aim to fill the chamber with supporters to demonstrate that the community backs a living wage at Wellington's second-largest employer. Meet at the Hunter Courtyard off Kelburn Parade and then we will head in as a group to the Council Chamber.***

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 via <https://cws.org.nz/donate-to-the-gaza-palestine-appeal/>
- By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 7

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/**

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	David and Pauline Patchett
Sound	Sue Hirst (CG)
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Kath Kerr, Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Jim and Maxine Cunningham, David Douglas
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Marilyn Wallace
Prayers of the people	Barrie Keenan
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Service Leader	The Parish Council

On duty June 23rd

Welcoming	Pat Booth and Margaret Harper
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Bridget Martin and Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Katrina Harper, Janet Horncy (CG) and Sally Gray
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Rainbow Room	In recess
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 16th June: 10.30am: Sunday gathering prepared by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai and led by members of the Parish Council followed by congregational conversation and Younger members.

Wednesday 19 June: 10:30am - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm – Otis Prescott-Mason – solo piano

Thursday 20 June: 12:15pm – Quang Hong Luu – solo piano

Sunday 23rd June 10am: Sunday gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Social Justice Education 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	Exploring Progressive Faith

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	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
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jemma Ballantyne
Facilities Assistant(s)	Regan Maconaghie, Oscar Ruegg, Mattias Barber, Liam Oakley, Fynn Neeley-Grant

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