

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

### Pentecost 15



**Seasons of Creation**  
**“MOANA, THE OCEAN”**

## 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

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Haere mai, haere mai, haere mai i ngā tangata nō ngā hau e whā.

Come people from the four winds, from the great continents,

from the great blue continent of Oceania

come people of God, come again into the sacred circle of gratitude and love.

***We come to hear our calling again. We come that we might be strengthened for the sacred mahi of healing the Earth, so that all your creatures may flourish in the community of life.***

#### SILENCE

#### GATHERING: OPENING RESPONSES

Come, let us worship God, who gifted us with life and Creation to sustain life.

***We praise God for the wondrous Creation.***

Come, let us follow Lord Jesus Christ, who inspires us to hope and act for justice and righteousness.

***We give glory to God, who restores the groaning Creation and the vulnerable.***

Come let us move with the Holy Spirit, striving to establish justice and produce the first fruits of hope.

***We praise God for the abundant life that is assured to all Creation.***

Heavenly Triune God and Creator of all, we gather here, made in the image of the Creator,

***who created in love.***

We gather in the name of the redeemer, our Saviour Jesus Christ,

***who reconciles all of Creation.***

We gather in the presence of the life Giver, your Holy Spirit,  
***who inspires new life and instills hope.***

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**AA113 'Our life has its seasons'**

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray

Music: Kotuku © Colin Gibson

1. Our life has its seasons, and God has the reasons  
why spring follows winter, and new leaves grow,  
for there's a connection with our resurrection  
that flowers will bud after frost and snow,

*so there's never a time to stop believing,  
there's never a time for hope to die,  
there's never a time to stop loving,  
these three things go on.*

2. But there's a time to be planting, a time to be plucking,  
a time to be laughing, a time to weep,  
a time to be building, a time to be breaking,  
a time to be waking, a time to sleep,  
*so there's never a time to stop believing.....*

3. There's a time to be hurting, a time to be healing,  
a time to be saving, a time to spend,  
a time to be grieving, a time to be dancing,  
a time for beginning, a time to end.  
*so there's never a time to stop believing.....*

**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** From A Rocha International

**Creator God**, all your works are wonderful. The earth and the oceans are yours. You made them with your hands and filled them with life both big and small. The oceans tell of your glory, and we are amazed by the beauty you have placed in them.

**Almighty and Righteous**, you asked us to look after the oceans, yet instead of encouraging them to teem with life as you intended, we have filled them with our waste. Forgive us for our carelessness and ignorance. We are sorry for polluting your creation.

**Healer and Redeemer God**, you sent your son Jesus Christ to reconcile the whole world to yourself. We pray that your kingdom of healing will come today to your oceans. May your Holy Spirit help us to live lives that honour you and emulate your care for the oceans. May your Holy Spirit act through our politicians so they can work to prevent plastic entering and harming the oceans. May your Holy Spirit work in your Church to equip us to be your hands and feet in facing this problem.

**Comforter God**, we ask you to help our brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering because of the problem of plastic pollution: subsistence fisherman who pull up nets full of rubbish, those who suffer health problems due to contaminated seafood, and those whose places of work and leisure are marred by washed up plastic. We place this problem in your hands and ask for your help. May your oceans reflect your glory once again.

In the name of Jesus, **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**

**Cam Smart**

## **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**

**Psalm 104:1-13**

**Gospel Reading**

**Luke 8:22-25**

**Contemporary Reading**

**"Ebb and Flow"**  
by Charlotte Southworth

Waves wrestle as I think what would our Earth be like without an ocean, filled to the brink? Would there still be giggling infants and soaring kites? Will a desolate ravine fill the space where the valiant ocean once had its might?

As competitive seagulls race overhead, I realize that our community relies on this hyperactive mass of no dread. The wind murmurs softly, but loud enough to hear over pivoting waves that grapple with no fear. We are dependent, but so is the ocean. And we must be in harmony, that much is clear.

Iridescent starfish guard the shore while gorgeous anemones glisten like precious stones. Such beauty is the coral that dances with mirth. This life deserves the best of all cares for the stunning variety of species here since birth.

Though the sea is quick to anger, and more powerful than any foe, we could all learn from the sea's loss of temper, and the forgiveness of its ebb and flow.

## RESPONSE

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

## HYMN

### 'Let all the islands rise and sing' (with guitar)

Pasifika Hymn

1. Let all the islands rise and sing,  
And to our God their praises bring  
On strings and drum God's might proclaim  
Shout the glory of God's name

#### ***Chorus***

*Pasifika, Pasifika  
with throbbing reef and coral shore ,  
for fish and shell and mighty whale ,  
for all God's gifts our thanks we pour.*

2. And when we see the stars at night  
The many worlds which cross the sky  
The sun and moon which give us light  
We lift our hearts to God on high
3. The children playing on the shore  
The sounds of laughter which we hear  
Their love increasing more and more  
Remind us that our God is near. ***Chorus***
4. The palms which bend toward the sky  
The clouds which hurry to and fro  
The birds which fly both low and high  
Give us joy and earth below. ***Chorus***

5. To God Creator, God the Son  
And God the Spirit, praise be done  
May Christ the Lord upon us pour  
The Spirit's gift for evermore. **Chorus**

**REFLECTION: “For those in Peril on the Sea” Rev Dr Fei Taule’ale’ausumai**

**REFLECTIVE MUSIC**

‘Hymn To The Sea’ James Horner  
(Titanic, music from the motion picture)

**HYMN**

**WOV 74 ‘Eternal Father Strong to Save’**

Words; William Whiting Tune: MELITA

1. Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm does bind the restless wave,  
who bids the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.
2. O Christ, whose voice the waters heard  
and hushed their raging at thy word,  
who walked upon the foaming deep,  
and calm amid the rage did sleep;  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.
3. O Holy Spirit, who did brood  
upon the waters dark and rude,  
and bid their angry tumult cease,  
and give for wild confusion, peace;  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power,  
your children shield in danger's hour  
from rock and tempest, fire, and foe,  
guard them wherever they may go;  
thus, evermore shall rise to thee  
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

### OFFERING HYMN

### AA127 'Take my Gifts' v 1

Words © Shirley Murray. Music © Colin Gibson.

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!

### OFFERING PRAYER

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

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.



**CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of North Korea, and all those working to defend human rights in North Korea, and throughout the world. 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 Kieran McAnulty (List) and Grant McCallum (Northland). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Clive Haumoana - St Francis Cooperating Parish (Pres-Meth-Ang).

**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.*

**COMMUNION INVITATION:** 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 to partake in this meal.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**

**‘E te Atua’**

Words and Music: Traditional

Tune: KUM BA YA AA31

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| 1. E te Atua aroha mai [x3]<br>ake ake tonu e.   | <i>O God love us<br/>forever and ever.</i>  |
| 2. E te Atua manaaki mai [x3]<br>ake ake tonu e. | <i>O God bless us<br/>forever and ever.</i> |
| 3. E te Atua awhina mai [x3]<br>ake ake tonu e.  | <i>O God help us<br/>forever and ever.</i>  |

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Creator is with you and all creation.

***And also with you.***

Open your hearts.

***We open them to our Creator.***

Let us give thanks to the Maker of heaven and Earth.

***It is right to join creation in thanking God.***

We give thanks to you, O God, Galaxy-Spinner, Star-Sower, Earth-Maker! We give thanks, for your love for the Earth and the whole community of life . You look upon all that you have made and call us good . You indwell your whole creation and make it holy . The whole Earth is full of your glory! We thank you for Jesus Christ, your embodied Wisdom in Earth, intimately connected with all in the community of life: who was baptised in a river, wandered in the wilderness, befriended wild beasts, foraged for wild foods, walked along lakeshores and through wheat fields, prayed on mountainsides and in gardens, told heaven on Earth parables, lifted up the oppressed, challenged the domination system and invited all to live in the kin-dom of God . With past generations and future generations with all for whom Earth has been and will be our common home we say with deep gratitude and joy:

***Tapu, tapu, tapu God of all life, te whenua me te moana me te rangi are infused with your presence and revere your name. Āmine.***

## THE STORY OF THE LAST MEAL

We remember when Jesus, at table with his friends, took a loaf of bread, blessed it, and broke it as he then shared it with his companions, he said, "Take this, each one of you, eat it. This is my body which is given for you." Nearing the end of the meal, he took a cup of wine, and gave thanks to you, God of all creation .

He passed it among his friends, and said: "Take this, all of you, and drink from it. This is the cup of the new and everlasting covenant . Drink from it and let my life flow through you.

## "THE BLESSING OF THE BREAD & WINE

God of transformation, pour out your Spirit on us . Pour out your Spirit on these gifts from your Earth . May the bread and wine symbolise your body and lifeblood . Make us through them, Christ's body alive in the world, bringing healing to the Earth .

## THE BREAKING AND SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE


The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ . (the bread is broken) The cup which we share is a sharing in the new covenant of Christ . (the cup is raised)

**DISTRIBUTION:** If you are able, please come forward to be served the bread and wine. The minister will come and serve those who are unable to come forward.


## COMMUNION CHANT

## CH 661 'Eat this bread drink this cup'

♩=80



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



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

## FINAL PRAYER

We arise from this table, and go from this feast, to embody Christ's love in Earth community, and to live in the community of the Spirit. Empowered to rekindle the vā of Papatūānuku let us walk humbly with you, O God, to do justice, to seek peace, and to heal the Earth. Amen

## CLOSING HYMN

## AA 85 'Let Justice roll down like a river'

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### ***Refrain:***

*Let justice roll down like a river,  
let justice flow down to the sea;  
let justice roll down like a river  
let justice begin through me.*

1. Justice for all who go hungry,  
crying to God to be fed,  
left in a world of abundance  
to beg for a morsel of bread. ***Refrain***
2. Justice for those who are homeless,  
victims of war or of need,  
trapped on the borders of nowhere,  
lost in the canyons of greed. ***Refrain***
3. Justice for all who are powerless,  
yearning for freedom in vain,  
plundered and robbed of their birth-right,  
silently bearing their pain. ***Refrain***

## TE MANAAKITANGA/BLESSING

May the blessings of the whenua fill us with gratitude . May the blessings of the oceans fill us with humility . May the blessings of the sky fill us with wonder .  
May we be a blessing to the Earth this day, and every day. Amen

## SUNG AMEN

## POSTLUDE

## THANK YOU

**Bruce Corkill**  
our musician today

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## 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

### UPCOMING WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS



*Wednesday 4 September 12:15pm – 1:00pm*  
Chamber Music with Inbal Megiddo and  
Paul Altomari

### EXPLORING FAITH

After our service and morning tea this Sunday 1 September you are welcome to gather in Conference Rooms 1 – 2 for the 7<sup>th</sup> "Exploring Faith" session for 2024. These 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month sessions have been absorbing, interesting and thought-provoking. This month it will be one of our members simply sharing her faith journey, what faith has meant to her during her lifetime. For any questions about this, or if you would be interested in sharing your faith story sometime in the future, please contact Barrie Keenan at [barrie@keenan.co.nz](mailto:barrie@keenan.co.nz) or 027 285 7275.

## **WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### **LIVING WAGE PUB QUIZ**

Fundraising for the Victoria University Campaign for the living wage, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 6.30pm, Hunter Lounge. Register now at

<https://events.humanitix.com/living-wage-trivia-fundraiser-for-victoria-university-campaign-wellington>

### **VUW LIVING WAGE COUNCIL ACTION – 9 SEPTEMBER**

VUW does not pay living wage. Join us here in the Hunter Council Chamber to demonstrate that the community wants the living wage included in the University's strategic plan. "If they care for your students, if they can cook your kai, if they clean your lecture theatres until 4am, pay them enough to live on!"  
Monday 9 September 2024, 10am.

### **UPCOMING CONCERT – SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER**

How can I keep from singing? Wellington Community Choir and the Four Voices of Ratana Choir. A wonderful opportunity to hear the Ratana Choir in Wellington. Saturday 14 September 5pm-6.30pm at St Peter's on Willis. Tickets \$25 Concession \$15 Under 14 free. Tony Pears

### **UPCOMING WORKSHOP – 22 SEPTEMBER**

Speak Peace - An Introduction to Nonviolent Communication

I highly recommend this workshop on 22 September which I will be attending.

Information at this link

<https://nvc-now.lilregie.com/booking/attendees/new> Tony Pears

### **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/)**

### **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	Pam Fuller
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Bridget Martin and Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Maxine Cunningham, David Douglas and Jenn Keenan
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Marilyn Wallace (CG)
Prayers of the People	Barrie Keenan
Communion	Lynne Dovey, Rosemary Lawrence, Sandra and Tony Kirby, Doug Lendrum, Katrina Harper
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	-
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

#### **On duty September 8<sup>th</sup>**

Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Katrina Harper and Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Sally Gray, Michael Parker and Janet Horncy (CG)
Family Time	Dawn Cowdrey
Readings	Gillian Feist
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Rainbow Room	In Recess
Library	-
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September: 10am** Communion Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith.

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September: 10:30am** - Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

**12:15pm** – Chamber Music with Inbal Megiddo and Paul Altomari

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

#### **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	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
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