



# ORDER OF SERVICE

16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025

LENT 2

## 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 Jim Cunningham**

### PRELUDE

**The Swan by C. Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We come together from our separate lives,  
each of us bringing our concerns, our preoccupations,  
our hopes, and our dreams.

We are not yet fully present.

The traffic, the last-minute cooking, the final details still cling to us.

Our bodies hold the rush of the past few hours.

It is now time to let go of these pressures and really arrive...

### SILENCE

### OPENING RESPONSES

Remind us, O Spirit, that life is worth living.

Remind us, O Creator, that the struggle for justice is worth undertaking.

Remind us, O Mercy, that love and action are one.

***May our time together renew our hope.***

***May the stories we share refresh our courage.***

***May the songs we sing lift our spirits.***

***May the words we speak invigorate us.***

***May the touch of hands, the sound of laughter,***

***the sight of faces new and familiar,***

***restore us in faith. (CODame).***

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## “As we worship with thanksgiving”

Words: George Stuart Music: Blaenwern **WOV 165ii**

1. As we worship with thanksgiving;  
Sense God's presence in each one;  
Feel the pulse of wholesome living,  
Yes! the vict'ry can be won.  
Cautiously we seek God's kingdom;  
We approach God's open door;  
Prized and precious we are welcome.  
Peace in God we need, no more.
2. God is love and love gives freedom;  
Freedom from all fear and guilt.  
God is love and love will blossom;  
Broken lives can be rebuilt.  
Punishment for past wrongdoing  
In God's dealings has no place.  
Love is constant, keeps pursuing;  
We are bound in God's embrace.
3. God is love and love is gentle;  
Love can keep no scores of wrong.  
God is love and love is central  
When discipleship is strong.  
If the kind and good and tender  
Are to happen here today;  
It will issue from surrender  
Of our lives to Jesus' way

## WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti,  
ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.

***Kia ora tātou.***

Ou te faatalofa atu i le Suafoa 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

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 community of faith and hope:  
***We give thanks this day. Amen.***



## **LORD'S PRAYER**

as interpreted by Miriam Therese Winter

*Our Mother, who is within us,  
we celebrate your many names.  
Your wisdom come, your will be done,  
unfolding from the depths within us.  
Each day you give us all that we need.  
You remind us of our limits and we let go.  
You support us in our power  
and we act with courage.  
For you are the empowerment within us,  
the dwelling place around us,  
and the celebration among us.  
Now and forever. Amen*

## **LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE**

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

## **FAMILY TIME**

**Dawn Cowdry**

## **BLESSING THE CHILDREN**

We send you to the Rainbow Room to hear stories, ask questions and have fun together. ***We bless you. Amen.***

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

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

## **THE WORD IN TEXTS**

**Tony Kirby**

**Hebrew Bible**

**Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 9**

**Gospel**

**Luke 13: 31-35**

## Contemporary Reading

## Meditation on Psalm 27

(from *Grant Us Your Peace* by David R Grant)

Holy God, we wait and we hope,  
we gather strength and we take courage.

For we have discovered the centre of life is in worship,  
living in the home of the living,  
resting in grace-giving sacramental space,  
learning from value-laden tradition.

From the centre,  
we will face all that evil will throw at us.  
We will face vicious and persistent annoyance  
and we will stand firm  
because our centre remains still in worship.

We will face lawful injustice and lawless violation,  
and we will stand firm  
because our centre remains still in worship.

Holy God,  
meet us at the centre  
because without you  
the centre becomes as dreadful as the brutal edges.

Teach us, love us, instruct us, shame us  
into faithful living and gospel behaviour;  
because our centre must be different  
from the corrupt world we live in;  
at centre we must not copy the pollution of our environment.

At centre is our hope of fresh new patterns for living.  
So overwhelm us with strong goodness,  
To your glory.

## RESPONSE

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

## HYMN

### **“O Love that wilt not let me go”**

Words: G. Matheson Music: A. Pearce **WOV 52**

1. O Love that wilt not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow  
may richer, fuller be.
2. O Light that followest all my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
may brighter, fairer be.
3. O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain,  
that morn shall tearless be.
4. O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red  
life that shall endless be.

## REFLECTION

### **A Love/Hate Relationship**

**Rev Jim Cunningham**

## REFLECTIVE MUSIC

**Bach: Passion Chorale**

**Organ**

## HYMN

## **“Choose life and turn from death”**

Words: © Bill Wallace Music: St Cecilia **WOV226**

1. Choose life and turn from death,  
make peace instead of war,  
share love in place of hate,  
and dance the Gospel life
2. See beauty with your eyes,  
make beauty with your hands,  
live beauty in your lives  
and dance the Gospel life.
3. Seek justice for the poor,  
find freedom for yourself,  
help people use their power  
and dance the Gospel life.
4. Choose love instead of fear,  
choose change instead of guilt,  
choose hope instead of gloom  
and dance the Gospel life.

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

## **Meditation by L. Boellman (1862-1897)**

## OFFERING HYMN

**AA 127** Words & 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.
2. 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

For the gifts we receive and the gifts we share

**We give thanks.**

For the abundant universe, with resources enough and to spare

**We give thanks.**

May our offerings of money and food, compassion and goodwill,  
be multiplied to those who receive them

**blessing them, as we are blessed to give. 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 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 the Poland and we pray for the Polish Catholic Church. We hold all refugees in our hearts - all those who have had to flee their homes because of natural disaster, oppression, violence or war. We give thanks that we in Aotearoa New Zealand are able to offer a small number of refugees the opportunity to settle in our country. We remember those in Parliament of this country and today we name Hon Nicola Willis (List) and Scott Willis (List). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of Masterton - St James' Union Church (Pres-Meth).

## **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**

### **FFS 29 "God speed you on your way"**

Words © Shirley Erena Murray Music © Shona Murray

1. God speed you on your way,  
safe keep you every day,  
give you wing, cause to sing,  
all this we wish and pray.
2. God give you space to thrive,  
all senses kept alive,  
health and hope, means to cope,  
joyfully to arrive.
3. God lead you to the new,  
places and points of view,  
roads to take, friends to make,  
more life to travel through.

**BLESSING**

**SUNG AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

**Chaconne by L. Couperin (1626-1661)**

**THANK YOU**

to our musician today  
**Judy Dumbleton**

**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***

## **SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE**

Welcome to this weekly update on sustainability issues. There's a great organisation called [Climate Club](#) which puts out a weekly newsletter on things you can do in 5, 15 or 30+ minutes to help with the climate crisis. It's well worth subscribing to. This week they talk about protest not being for everyone and how there are so many other things we can do. We're all different and they say we all have a climate 'superpower'. You can take this [quiz](#) to find out yours. It's a bit pitched towards young Australians but still fun to do. You never know what you'll find out!

## **FUNDRAISING FOR BOWEL CANCER NZ - A BIG THANK YOU!**

Many thanks to all of you who supported my efforts to raise funds for Bowel Cancer NZ last month through donations and messages of support. I really appreciated it. I managed to raise \$753 and walked 120km. Collectively 9,544 people across the country took part raising over \$1.5 million - a wonderful effort.

## **SEEKING A SMALL FOLDING TABLE**

Do you have a small folding table (picnic table, card table, or even a butler's tray with folding legs) you no longer need? With the rearrangements in the South Vestry, we need a small, lightweight fold-away table which can be stored there and brought out when we need to use it. Please contact the office if you have such a treasure. [office@standrews.org.nz](mailto:office@standrews.org.nz)

## **SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR RAINBOW ROOM**

As we re-start the Rainbow Room programme, we need to be able to roster a second adult to be present with the children. If you would like to volunteer for this, please let the office know ([office@standrews.org.nz](mailto:office@standrews.org.nz)), or talk to me on Sunday. Sue Hirst, Parish Council Convenor

## **RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S**

We are no longer collecting plastic bread bags and tags for reuse. But we *are* collecting all types of plastic lids, metal lids, Tetra Pak beverage cartons and used pens. There are containers for each sort of material in the North Vestry and a take-home information sheet about what we do and don't collect. Please make sure everything you drop off is clean and dry and follow the instructions for preparing Tetra Paks, in particular. Thanks for all your recycling efforts. It's really making a difference to what goes into landfill. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

## **RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES**

Household batteries can be dropped off for FREE at Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Te Awe Library (Brandon St), Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop. For Hutt Valley and other members, Bunnings' stores have recycling bins where used batteries can be left. Happy recycling!

## **SUPPORT FOR DCM (DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY MINISTRY)**

We are grateful for the many services provided by the DCM since 1969 and one way we can offer our support is to FILL the food baskets in the church each Sunday. Suggested items: Tinned – soup, fish, baked beans, stews and fruit / pasta and curry sauces / Jam, honey Marmite/Vegemite and peanut butter / porridge, biscuits and muesli bars / instant coffee and tea bags / soap, toilet paper, toothpaste and toothbrushes. (Please no fresh fruit/vegetables)  
For other ways to support the work of the DCM visit <https://www.dcm.org.nz>.

## ***WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES***

### **PRESENTATION ON ENDURING POWERS OF ATTORNEY – EpoAs**

The recent Pastoral Care meeting recommended to Parish Council that it would be advisable to ensure that our community understands the importance of all of us (young and old) arranging these legal papers for ourselves.

Ben Gray has agreed to speak on 30 March after church. Ben was instrumental in setting up the Wellington Welfare Guardian Trust to be able to get a bed in a rest home or other welfare facility.

Ben will talk about what an Enduring Power of Attorney is and why it is important to appoint one whilst you still have your marbles. He will also explain what a Welfare Guardian is (essentially a person who does the same job as an EPOA who is appointed after the patient has lost capacity.)

Ben will talk about what powers EPOA's and Welfare Guardians have and what role they perform.

Contact Pat Booth if you would like to discuss this before the meeting. 027 476 0427

### **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**

### **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	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Bridget Martin and Mike Wespel-Rose
Coffee/tea	Katrina Harper, Sandra and Tony Kirby
Family Time	Dawn Cowdry
Readings	Tony Kirby (CG)
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Service Leader	Rev Jim Cunningham

#### **On duty March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Katrina Harper and Lynette Burrell
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith (CG)
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Pauline Patchett
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Rev Dr. Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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

**Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup>: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Jim Cunningham followed by Congregational Conversation and Younger members' (Y) group meets after morning tea/brunch

**Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>: 12:15pm** Uriele

**Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup>: 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**

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| 1st Sunday | Communion service followed by Community Brunch on even months<br>Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec. |
| 2nd Sunday | Congregational service followed by Exploring Faith  |
| 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	Caroline Korybut
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Jemma Ballantyne
Centre Assistant	Germaine Ambray
Facilities Assistant(s)	Cooper Neeley-Grant, Isabella Oakley

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