



ORDER OF SERVICE

13TH APRIL 2025

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY



A PEACE MAKER OR REVOLUTIONIST?

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

The Lenten journey is almost at an end With Jesus we enter the city Welcoming or hostile: Which crowd will have its way? What Way will we follow as we follow him?

SILENCE

GATHERING

"Be still, and in the stillness know," said the psalmist, that God is the same: still and silent and wondrous.

So let us wonder now, together, about the unfathomable things: like brokenness, devastation, and grief, like wholeness, compassion, and love.

Wisdom that permeates all, be a guiding star above me, be a bright flame before me, be a smooth path beneath me, be a kindly friend beside me, be a nudging niggle within me, today, tonight, and forevermore. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

CH 4 370 'Ride on ride on, the time is right'

Words: John L Bell (b. 1949) & Graham Maule (b. 1958) Tune: Gonfalon Royal WOV 318

- Ride on, ride on, the time is right: the roadside crowds scream with delight; palm branches mark the pilgrim way where beggars squat and children play.
- 2. Ride on, ride on, your critics wait, intrigue and rumour circulate; new lies abound in word and jest, and truth becomes a suspect guest.
- 3. Ride on, ride on, while well aware, that those who shout and wave and stare are mortals who with common breath, can crave for life and lust for death.
- 4. Ride on, ride on, God's love demands; justice and peace lie in your hands evil and angel voices rhyme this is the man and this the time.

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

O Christ, you entered the city as a poor man not in style but simply, yet still you caused uproar, and questions everywhere; you drew the expectations of a hungry crowd, and brought buried conflicts to the light.

May we who are sometimes swayed by the crowd's approval, and who often avoid conflict for fear of its cost to us, hold fast to the gospel of peace and justice and follow faithfully in your way of compassion and solidarity with those who are poor and excluded, wherever it may lead us. Amen.

JESUS' PRAYER

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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 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 RANGIMARIE - 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

Gillian Feist

Hebrew Bible Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Gospel Luke 19:28-40

Contemporary reading

'What have we learned?'
A poem for Palm Sunday

They shouted with praises, reaching the sky, pushing and shoving to see Jesus pass by.
Crying. "Hosanna, hosanna, glory to the King!
He comes to us today, great joy He doth Bring."

They threw down palm leaves, covering the way, making a clear path for Him to travel that day. Raising joyful voices, as praises filled the air. Their day had come, God answered prayer!

But, in a short time they changed their chant, from joyful noise, to a mob's hate-filled rant. From Hosanna, hosanna, as when He was praised; to crucify Him! Crucify Him, as their anger blazed!

In disbelief we might question why they turned? But maybe the question is, "what have we learned?"

RESPONSE

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

Words: Tom Colvin (c. 1965) and people of Ghana; Music: Ghana Folk Melody

 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet: master who acts as a slave to them.

Yesu, Yesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbours we have from you.

2. Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we were slaves: this is the way we should live with you

Yesu, Yesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbours we have from you.



REFLECTION

Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Ephraim Wilson

HYMN

FFS 67 'We are many, we are one'

Words and Music: © 1998 Colin Gibson

1. We are many, we are one, and the work of Christ is done when we learn to live in true community, as the stars that fill the night, as a flock of birds in flight, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine; as the branches of a tree, as the waves upon the sea, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

- 2. All division is made whole when we honour every soul, and the life of God in every you and me, as the fingers of a hand, as the grains that form the sand, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine; as the threads upon a loom, as a field of flowers in bloom, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.
- 3. We will join in creation's song, make a world where all belong, billed as one in peace and loving harmony, as the voices of a choir, as the flames within a fire, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine, as the snowflakes in the snow, as the colours of a bow, as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

 Willing hands, to lead the blind, heal the wounded, feed the poor. Love embracing all our kind, charity with liberal store.

OFFERING PRAYER

Compassionate God, who calls all people to be one family, teach us to share your gifts with each other, strengthen us to make peace by working together, and challenge us with a vision of the feast where all are welcome. Amen

Tune: Duke Street WOV 24

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 <u>briefly</u> from the lectern.

For the benefit of newcomers, please introduce yourself before you begin.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sonia Groes-Petrie

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of the Russian Federation and we pray for the Council of Churches of the Russian Federation. We hold all refugees in our hearts - those who have fled 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 resettle in our country. We pray for the leaders and people of other faith communities around the motu. We remember those in Parliament and today we name Carl Bates (Whanganui) and Hon Andrew Bayly (Port Waikato) Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of New Plymouth - Bell Block/Lepperton Co-operating Church (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.

CHANT

WOV 454 p 569/570 "Christ be with me"

Tune: ST PATRICK

(please remain seated)

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me,

Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

HYMN

CH4 533 'Will you come and follow me?'

Words: Graham Maule, Music: Kelvingrove John L. Bell Words and Music © 1987 WGRG Iona Community

- 1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known? Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- 2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
- 3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

- 4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
 Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
 Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
- 5. Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

BLESSING

May we go out with courage drawing strength from the story of Jesus and from those who welcomed him drawing strength for the depths within ourselves and from others to face whatever we must in building Peace, Truth and Justice in our world.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

to our musician today **Ephraim Wilson**

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

SOME VERY SAD NEWS

It is with sadness that we announce the death of Rev David Douglas, retired minister of the PCANZ and serving elder here at SAOTT. David has requested that his funeral be held at St Marks Uniting Parish in Lower Hutt. Rev Dr Jim Cunningham and Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai will be the celebrants. We will let you know of the details as soon as this is available. Ia manuia lou malaga David.

A NOTE FROM MIKE WESPEL-ROSE

Dear everybody, A couple of weeks ago, we had a session in the Exploring Faith slot after church, where a group of interested folks were shown and discussed the program "Awakened", a 52 week Progressive Christian Devotional. Thanks to Barrie Keenan for giving up the normal Exploring Faith slot for this session. After further consideration, Barrie has agreed to us also using the next exploring faith slot on Sunday 13th April to present a first session from the program. Thanks once again to Barrie for this. So, although material from the first session has already been distributed, lets start with session number one. So we will start a little before 12 noon. Everyone is warmly invited to attend this session. It will consist of 1. A bible text, 2. A progressive reflection on the text by presenter Caleb Lines, 3. A time to discuss some questions which are related to the presentation by the group. 4. A short video from the presenter Caleb Lines. If this seems to go OK for sufficient people, we then just need to find a "home" (time wise) for a monthly group session. It will be great to see anyone who can make it on 13th April. Our motivation for presenting this course in our church is to help support and develop a progressive Christian understanding in our community. We would like this for ourselves and to share this with others who are interested. Thanks everyone, Mike Wespel-Rose and David Douglas.

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

Welcome to this week's update on sustainability issues. During March we collected **7.15 kg** of material for recycling. This doesn't include the big sack of milk bottle tops that Brian Burrell is filling. Top of the list were Tetra Paks which get turned into the hoardings you see around construction sites. Most surprising was the volume of used up pens. Congratulations for keeping these things out of landfill. And a good tip from the <u>Climate Club</u> this week. Trying to convince friends and whānau to act on climate change by talking about the crisis tends not to work. It just leads to burnout. The most effective way to create change is to inspire people rather than make them worried. If you can paint a strong vision

of a better future it will motivate people to fight for it. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

FUNDRAISING CONCERT 11 MAY

Our second fundraising concert will take place on Sunday 11 May at 3 pm. Quang Hong Luu is a lovely young pianist, looking to make a performance career once he completes his PhD and we are grateful to him for his time and talents and to Jack Richards for sponsoring him. Posters and flyers are available in the church or from the office. Please take some and share widely. If you want an electronic version please let Lynne (ldoveygray@gmail.com) or the office (office@standrews.org.nz) know. We'd be happy to send it to you. By popular request, since the 2 March concert and afternoon tea was such a successful community event, we have decided to host an afternoon tea again. Quang will be happy to attend and chat to guests. Pam is putting together a roster for serving afternoon tea and would appreciate volunteers. Plus we'd appreciate contributions for afternoon tea on the day.

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!

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), or talk to me on Sunday. Sue Hirst, Parish Council Convenor

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING EVENT – 30 APRIL – 10 MAY

Jane Keller will be appearing in THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME with Stagecraft at The Gryphon Theatre. 30 April- 10 May.

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.

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	Pat McGiven and Pat Booth	
Sound	Sue Hirst	
Laptop	Hamish Dick	
Offering	Paul Franken and Katrina Harper	
Coffee/tea	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Kath Kerr	
Family Time	Dawn Cowdry	
Readings	Gillian Feist	
Prayers of the People	Sonia Groes-Petrie (CG)	
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut	
Library	Closed	
Musician	Ephraim Wilson	
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausuamai	

On duty April 18 th	
Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst (CG)
Offering	None
Coffee/tea	None
Family Time	None
Readings	Volunteers
Prayers of the People	None
Rainbow Room	Closed
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday April 13th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Progressive Christian Devotional program.

Wednesday April 16^{th:} 12:15pm Lunchtime Concert: Duo Enharmonics

Friday April 18thth: 10am Good Friday Service led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

Sunday April 20th: 10am Easter Sunday Communion Service led by Rev. Dr Fei

Taule'ale'ausumai

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

1st Sunday Communion service followed by Community Brunch on even months

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	Maxine Cunningham, Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Katrina Harper, Tony Kirby, Vivienne Mountier and Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
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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