



# ORDER OF SERVICE

27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025

**SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER**

**“WHO IS THIS MAN?”**

## 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

We come on this second Sunday of Easter to reflect on what went on last week,  
We come also to remember a man called Francis, Pope and leader of the Roman Catholic Church.

We come to reflect on what this all means for us, what words of inspiration and action that we can  
make our own, perhaps even our own life's purpose. Actions of Justice, inclusion, welcoming, Peace and Love.

### SILENCE

### GATHERING

What do you do after the world has ended?

***How do you carry on?***

What do we do now our world has changed?

***Do we carry on?***

What and who is calling us into the future?

***Do we follow the call?***

How will the church emerge from this transition?

***We are the ones who will decide.***

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## A15 'Christ is alive!'

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Music: © 1993 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  
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.

## 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

**by Bruce Sanguin**

Now we open  
to the story of the Crucified and Risen One,  
arms stretched out  
across chasms of fear,  
pulling factions into his own broken body,

closer to his pierced heart,  
so that this planet of pain  
may one day claim as its own  
the love flowing from that  
sacred, broken heart.  
Yes, pull us in, Spirit of the Living God,  
into the Heart of our hearts,  
that we might once and for all  
lay down our arsenals of fear  
and take up our tools  
to build the kin-dom of God  
for the sake of all creation. **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 forever.  
Amen.***

## **LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE**

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

## **FAMILY TIME**

**Mike Wespel-Rose**

## **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**

**Rosemary Lawrence**

### **Gospel**

**John 20: 19-31**

### **Epistle**

**Acts 5:27-32**

## **Contemporary Reading**

**"Meeting Jesus on the Road"**

by Joy Cowley

We saw him walking alone on the beach.  
There was a nor'wester that swept across the sky  
like a broom on the floor of a shearing shed,  
and his coat was flapping behind him,  
his hair wet with flying spray.  
He laughed as he held his hands out to us,  
and said, "Isn't this a beautiful morning?":  
and we who'd been moaning about the weather,  
suddenly saw the day bright with the energy of God  
and we felt our hearts soar like gulls on the wind.  
Later, we tried to describe it.  
"Just like Emmaus," we said.

We were stuck in a motionless car.  
There had been a rockfall in the gorge  
and we'd been waiting for over an hour  
for machines that worked in slow motion.  
Rows of cars, pacing drivers, fretful kids—  
it was some great start to the holiday!  
Then she came along the road, in an apron,  
carrying a cardboard box from car to car.  
Sandwiches and muffins, she explained,  
because we looked like we could be hungry.  
No one knew where she'd come from

and, just as quietly, she disappeared,  
leaving an oasis of peace behind her.  
We felt the warmth in our hearts.  
“Just like Emmaus,” we said.

Then we knew that the road to Emmaus  
lies not on a map of some ancient land,  
but clean through the middle  
of the hungry human heart.

## **RESPONSE**

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

**REFLECTION**

**THE MANY FACES OF JESUS**

**Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai**

**REFLECTIVE MUSIC**

**Ephraim Wilson**

1. Who is this man who gathered people to him  
and touched their lives along each dusty way,  
who spoke to all with passion and with peacefulness  
and valued all their ordinary days?  
Who is this man who at the day's long ending,  
would draw apart to wait on God and pray?  
Who, in the mystery that knows no ending,  
would find God's wisdom and would know God's words to say?
2. Who is this man who gave to women dignity  
in partnership of worth and equal grace?  
Who listened to the stories that they told him,  
and honoured each whatever was their place;  
who let them choose to come and join his company  
and learned with them God's love for every race,  
who showed to each the courage of their nature  
to care and tend each lonely and each suffering face?
3. Who is this man who spoke to men of gentleness,  
showed them all the children at his side;  
who taught of love and justice for all people,  
who took a towel and washed away their pride?  
In him they saw the strength of truth and mercy,  
and how he trusted God to be his guide,  
knew how he led them through misunderstanding,  
and then forgave them when they ran away to hide.
4. Who is this man who calls us now to follow,  
a shadow presence asking us to be  
companions on the way through this life journey,  
to live in truth, to set our tired world free?  
So, let us find each other now in partnership,  
with ears to hear and eyes awake to see,  
that we might grow in grace and understanding,  
and walk beside that man who comes from Galilee.

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

### OFFERING HYMN

#### AA 62 'Here we bring, small or great'

Music © Colin Gibson Words © Shirley Murray

1. Here we bring, small or great,  
gifts what to offer on this plate,  
we've earned, what we own,  
tithe or token, bread or stone.

#### ***Refrain***

*Jesus said, "Have a care – your heart will always be  
where your riches are,  
where your riches are."*

### OFFERING PRAYER

At this time and in this place, may our inner replenishment make us more alive to life's moments and more responsive to life's creative possibilities.

***And let the offerings we bring be a sign of our gratitude, and an expression of hope for life and the world. 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 Samoa and we pray for the council of churches in Samoa. 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 Glen Bennett (List) and Dan Bidois (Northcote). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of New Plymouth - Knox Fitzroy 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.*

## CLOSING HYMN

## HIOS 61 'Honour the Dead'

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1. Honour the dead, our country's fighting brave,  
honour our children left in foreign grave,  
where poppies blow and sorrow seeds her flowers,  
honour the crosses marked forever ours.
2. Weep for the places ravaged with our blood,  
weep for the young bones buried in the mud,  
weep for the powers of violence and greed,  
weep for the deals done in the name of need.
3. Honour the brave whose conscience was their call,  
answered no bugle, went against the wall,  
suffered in prisons of contempt and shame,  
branded as cowards, in our country's name.
4. Weep for the waste of all that might have been,  
weep for the cost that war has made obscene,  
weep for the homes that ache with human pain,  
weep that we ever sanction war again.

## BLESSING

*Kia hora te marino*

*Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana*

*Kia tere te kārohirohi i mua i tōu huarahi*

*May peace be widespread,*

*may the sea glisten like greenstone, and*

*may the shimmer of light guide you on your way.*

## 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.

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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***

## **EXPLORING FAITH**

We had our first session from the book *Awaken* – a progressive Christian devotional – a few Sundays ago after church. About 15 in attendance. It was agreed that we would proceed with this material for 6 sessions and then evaluate. So this will be in the Exploring Faith time slot each month for another 5 months. Please note that you can slot in any time without concern. It does not matter if you have missed one or more sessions. If you want I can send you the notes for any missed sessions. Just contact me. [mikewr09@gmail.com](mailto:mikewr09@gmail.com)  
All very welcome. Hope you can join us. Thanks – Mike Wespel-Rose

## **SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE**

There was a great turnout from St Andrew's for the weekly vigil at Parliament on Tuesday, which coincided with Earth Day 2025. Earth Day is a global event to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It's been going since 1970 and now covers a wide range of events involving 1 billion people in more than 193 countries. It was good to be part of it. Also the Society for Conservation Biology is holding Earth Optimism Talks at Zealandia on 3 May, 10.00 - 1.30pm. You can register [here](#) (small fee). They will bring together a number of local conservation groups talking about different projects and opportunities to get involved. - 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](mailto:ldoveygray@gmail.com)) or the office ([office@standrews.org.nz](mailto: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](mailto:office@standrews.org.nz)), or talk to me on Sunday. Sue Hirst, Parish Council Convenor

## **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***

### **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**

### **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.

### **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	Frank Cook
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Mike Wespel-Rose and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Sally Gray, Michael Parker, Marilyn Wallace (CG)
Family Time	Mike Wespel-Rose
Readings	Rosemary Lawrence
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Mike Wespel-Rose
Musician	Ephraim Wilson
Service Leader	Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

#### **On duty May 4<sup>th</sup>**

Welcoming	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Kath Kerr and Paul Franken
Coffee/tea	Sandra and Tony Kirby (CG), Katrina Harper
Family Time	Frank Hanson
Readings	Maxine Cunningham
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Communion	TBC
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Frank Hanson

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

**Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev. Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

**Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>: 12:15pm Lunchtime Concert** Koru Trio – Music by Smetana and Dvorak

**Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> : 10am** Communion Service led by Frank Hanson

#### **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	Vacant
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
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