



ORDER OF SERVICE

1ST JUNE 2025

EASTER 7



COMMUNION

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 the Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Just as we are sent forth
to encounter life and confront
the forces of emptiness, alienation and death,
so we are called back in to share
our insights and experiences,
our sorrows and losses,
our joys and victories
with others in this community,
that together we may grow in
our understanding, our faith and our compassion

SILENCE

GATHERING

The mere act of coming together
does not build community.
Nor does it rebuild relationships
severed by time, or distance, or widely differing experiences.
Community requires an opening of selves to one another,
that relationships can be built from the inside out,
and community membership renewed.

***We are called this day to such re-membering,
that our service of Communion
may be a genuine openness to the Spirit of Christ.***

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

SANS 27 'Now Be Aware'

Words © Iris McCoy, Tune: MIT FRUEDEN ZART WOV 27

1. Now be aware, and glory in
this fellowship with others,
that learns to give and take with grace;
where there is life it gathers.
It deepens joy, it eases strain,
it heartens those who live with pain,
each strengthens each, together.
2. The wordless touch where sorrow is,
the sharing of a vict'ry;
the flash of mind when insight leaps
to truth, provoked by query.
The freedom of our fellowship
accepts us as we are, and this
is God's own gift of liberty.
3. Now be aware that hearts and hands
and minds are rich when sharing;
for here within this fellowship
the strength of God is growing.
Now life has reason, love has powers
beyond our own, for into ours
the love of God is flowing.

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 lunch in the Hall after church

OPENING PRAYER (together)

Sometimes we need stability and security.

Sometimes we need variety and excitement.

Sometimes our cup is half full, sometimes half empty.

Sometimes we are generous and sometimes needy.

Sometimes we are satisfied with life.

Other times we yearn for more.

Let us find peace with who we are

and on our journey may we be open

to new horizons, adventures, experiences. 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.

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 (TE RANGIMARIE)

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

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Anna Smith

New Testament Epistle

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Institution of the Lord's Supper

Gospel

Luke 24: 13-35

The Road to Emmaus

Contemporary Reading

Revolution as well as revelation

by Norman Shanks - Iona Community

The Bible is about revolution as well as revelation.....

The theme of social justice echoes through the pages of scripture like an insistent drum-beat – from the Exodus account of the liberation from Egypt, through the Deuteronomic code with its special concern for the disadvantaged, the consistent, urgent message of the prophets, to the life and teaching of Jesus and Paul's pointing to the perpetual challenge of the kingdom of God that stands all worldly values on their head. However marginal an interest in social and political issues may sometimes seem to the mainstream of church life.....

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

HYMN

AA 100 ‘Now to your table spread’

Words Shirley Murray © 1987 Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN

1. Now to your table spread we come, each one, in faith
that you alone provide the words of life and death:
in wine and bread, in promised food
we find your loving heart, O God.
2. Hands of the world stretch out, your mystery to touch
in longing to believe a truth beyond our reach,
to sing in joy, to cry in grief,
to know your meaning in our life.
3. Here is our common wealth in sharing what is good,
as though all humankind around one table stood,
this bread to break, this wine to taste –
one people in the name of Christ.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

Tune: DUKE STREET WOV 24

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

OFFERING PRAYER (together)

***God, by our smallest actions, we become part of a bigger world.
The smallest giving can be an expression of
the good spirit of generosity and caring.
Help us to carry through the doorway of each new day
this spirit of generosity and caring. 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

Cam Smart

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of the Solomon Islands and the Christian World Service funded women's programme, of the Lauru Land Conference of Tribal Communities. W5656hich seeks to improve women's role in decision-making and sustainable living in the Solomon Islands, and throughout the world. 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 Hamish Campbell (Ilam) and Kahurangi Carter (List). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Pahiatua - St Paul's 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***

COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's table. Wherever you are on your faith's journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to, whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome to share in the communion. This is God's meal for all people.

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

At this Table we give thanks for justice, love, peace and freedom.
At this Table we give thanks for friends and strangers together
in community in this safe place.

***For everyone born a place at the Table.
We are all invited.***

HYMN

WOV 658 'Let us talents and tongues employ'

Words © Fred Kaan Music: Jamaican Folk Melody arr Guy Jansen

1. Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy;
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

*Jesus lives again,
earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around:
loaves abound.*

2. Christ is able to make us one;
at his table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express.

*Jesus lives again,
earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around:
loaves abound.*

3. Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God-Immanuel everywhere.

*Jesus lives again,
earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around:
loaves abound.*

THE STORY...

We remember the stories from our tradition....

How on many occasions Jesus would share a meal with friends.
Bread and wine, the very basics of life, shared in community.
How bread would be taken, a blessing offered, and then shared amongst them.
And all ate.

How some wine would be poured out, a blessing offered, and then passed
amongst them. All of them drank.

When they gathered in this way it was a time of concern,
conversation and celebration.
The bread and the wine symbolised
human lives interconnected
with other human lives,
and the power of giving and receiving.

We remember that on the night before his death
he shared the Passover Meal with his disciples
and gave the meal a new significance and purpose.
May the passion for life as seen in Jesus
and in the lives and struggles
of many other committed and faithful people then and now,

enable us to dream and to risk....

Together may we re-imagine the world.

Together may we work to make all things new.

***Together may we celebrate the possibilities and hope
we each have and are called to share.***

For everyone born, a place at the Table.

THE BREAD IS BROKEN

We break the bread for the broken Earth,
ravaged and plundered for greed.

May there be healing for our beautiful blue and green planet.

We break the bread for our broken humanity,
for the powerful and the powerless
trapped by exploitation and oppression.

May there be healing for humanity.

We break the bread for those who follow other paths;
who travel on a different road from us;
those who think and act differently;
those whose belief system is different to ours;
those who see our world through different eyes
of ethnicity and culture.

May there be healing where there is pain and woundedness.

We break this bread for the unhealed hurts and wounds
that lie within us all.

May we, too, be healed.

THE WINE IS POURED

This is the cup of peace and of new life for all.
A sign of love for the community of hope.

***A reminder of the call
to live life fully,
to love wastefully,***

and to be all that we can be.

Come then, life-giving Spirit of our God,
brood over these bodily things,
and make us one body with Christ;
that we may no longer be in bondage
to the principalities and powers that enslave creation,
but may know your liberating peace
such as the world cannot give.

THE BREAD AND THE WINE ARE SHARED

CLOSING HYMN

WOV 450 'Now Let Us from This Table Rise'

Words © Fred Kaan Tune; NIAGARA

1. Now let us from this table rise
renewed in body, mind and soul
with Christ we live and die again,
his selfless love has made us whole.
2. With minds alert, upheld by grace,
to spread the Word in speech and deed,
we follow in the steps of Christ,
at one with all in hope and need.
3. To fill each human house with love,
it is the sacrament of care;
the work that Christ began to do
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.
4. Then give us courage Holy God,
to choose again the pilgrim way,
and help us to accept with joy
the challenge of tomorrow's day

SENDING OUT

Go now in peace and in joy to love and to serve

SUNG BLESSING

FFS 29 'God speed you on your way'

Words and music © Shona Murray Tune: STAFFORD

1. God speed you on your way,
safe keep you ev'ry 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,
paths to take, friends to make,
more life to travel through!

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

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

The sustainability group met this week and reviewed how we're going on our [Eco Church Action Plan](#). We're making good progress! Frank Cook has started work on an energy audit for the church and centre and Sonia Groes-Petrie is looking at the best way to analyse and monitor our water usage. It's worth having a look at the stories on [Eco Church Aotearoa's website](#) to see what other eco churches are doing. Some are quite inspiring. A couple of events are happening next week: the first Just Sew session at the Sustainability Trust on 7 June and a Repair Cafe in Karori on 8 June. [More details are here](#). It's easy to feel disheartened about the current state of the world and our own Government going backwards on environmental sustainability and climate action. So, to keep us inspired, I'm going to introduce a Weekly Win in this spot. I'd love to hear about anything positive happening in your neck of the woods that you'd like to share. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

FACT OR FICTION?

If you were at Sunday's service two weeks ago, you might remember that during Life in the Community, I read out a Facebook post purportedly quoting Pope Leo XIV defending 'wokeness'. Purportedly, because it turns out there is no evidence that he said any of it, however much we would like it to have been true. It's most likely to have been generated by AI. Obviously, I should have done a fact check before sharing it, rather than afterwards. But I suspect many of you, like me, are still coming to terms with living in a world where it is no longer clear what is fact and what is fiction. So I'm sorry to have misled everyone but it's probably a timely lesson. - Anna Smith

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 recyclin

RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S

During May we saved **5.8kg** of waste from landfill, slightly up on the previous month. This month metal lids were the hero knocking Tetra Pak beverage cartons off their perch. As a reminder, we collect all types of plastic lids, metal lids, Tetra Pak beverage cartons and used pens for recycling. 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. (They need to be opened out flat and kept as one piece, i.e. not cut up.) Thanks for all your recycling efforts. It's really making a difference to what goes into landfill. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

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	Lynette and Brian Burrell
Sound	Frank Cook (CG)
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Paul Franken and Katrina Harper
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier, Simon Miller, Janet Horncy, Plus 1
Family Time	Ellen Murray
Readings	Anna Smith
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Communion	Maxine Cunningham, Laura and David Gehrenbeck, Doug Lendrum, Janet Horncy, Pam Fuller
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Ephraim Wilson
Service Leader	Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

On duty June 8th

Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Kath Kerr and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Marilyn Wallace
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence (CG)
Readings	Marilyn Wallace
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Pauline Patchett
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev Reg Weeks

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday June 1st: 10am Communion Service led by Rev Dr Jim Cunningham followed by Community Brunch.

Wednesday June 4th: 10am Lunchtime Concert: Voces Luce and Jubilate – Award winning choirs from Queen Margaret College

Sunday June 8th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Reg Weeks followed by Exploring Faith.

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	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
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