



ORDER OF SERVICE

8TH JUNE 2025

EASTER 8



PENTECOST AND THE SPIRIT

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 Reg Weeks OEF

PRELUDE

"Siciliana" by William Walond (1725 – 1770)

GATHERING

Holy One, send the gift of your Spirit to fill this place.

Touch us with truth that burns like fire,
with beauty that moves us like the wind.

Teach us how to dance -

to turn around

and come down where we want to be,
in the arms and the hearts of your people.

SILENCE

OPENING RESPONSES

Today we come bearing the heavy expectations of family and culture.

Help us to lay these down...as we give you our love

Some come carrying grief and fear, anxiety and despair

Help us to listen for your Word of hope

Some come exhausted from giving

Help us to pause and receive... your life-giving spirit

In this time of worship, bless us through the words we will hear
and the songs we will sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Celebrate the life we're given'

Words: Susan Jones Tune: HYFRODOL

1. Celebrate the life we're given
grace on grace, where love abounds
celebrate the world around us
blue and green, where birdsong sounds
celebrate sun's rise and setting
'cross the harbour, over hills
everything reflects its making
beauty, love, joy; each heart fills.
2. We choose to live lives of meaning
even when the sky turns grey.
we choose to continue journeying
cis and trans, bi, straight and gay.
we choose wrestling doubt or danger,
trials may shadow, haunt our way.
but we know that we're companioned,
love walks with us, every day.

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 Holy and haunting Presence,
whose spirit moves quietly and surely
in the sound and fury of the world
and of our lives,
open us to the insistent abrasiveness of your grace
as rushing water releases the beauty of a rock.
Release us to respond when the day calls for sacrifice and the night for courage.
Inspire us when life demands hard choices.
Challenge us when you call us to share what we have with neighbours,
and reflect to the world the light of your kingdom
Hear us as we pray a version of the prayer Jesus taught his friends

JESUS' PRAYER

© Rev Sherri Weinberg

*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

Rosemary Lawrence

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

Marilyn Wallace

New Testament

Acts 2: 1-21

Gospel

John 14: 8-17

Contemporary Reading

‘Scotus for Dunces’

P463. Dr Mary Beth Ingham CSJ, Professor of Philosophical theology. St. Bonaventure University, New York

“What, finally, makes Scotus so significant today? . . . First. his commitment to the dignity of the individual human person, as image of God, touches our concern for this world and its future. Second, his optimism about the created order connects with ecological concerns and with a desire for a renewed understanding of humanity. Third, the centrality of love over knowledge as key to true rationality presents a different model for us to understand ourselves and our place in the world. Fourth, the importance of freedom as a perfection of God and of human reason connect his thought to contemporary concerns for autonomy and moral living. Scotus's philosophical insights have a modern resonance: they frame the human journey in terms of the dignity of the individual, the importance of rationality, and the primacy of freedom. At the same time, the particular way in which they are organized challenges us to reconsider our understanding of these key elements in the light of the perfection of human nature in love.”

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

HIOS 7 'As the wind song through trees'

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray Music: © Swee Hong Lim Tune: WAIRUA TAPU

1. As the wind song through the trees,
as the stirring of the breeze,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
as the heart made strangely warm,
as the voice within the storm,
so it is with the Spirit of God.
Never seen, ever known
where this wind has blown
bringing life, bringing power to the world,
as the dancing tongues of fire,
as the soul's most deep desire,
so it is with the Spirit of God.

2. As the rainbow after rain,
as the hope that's born again,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
as the green in the spring,
as a kite on a string,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
Making worlds that are new,
making peace come true,
bringing gifts, bringing love to the world,
as the rising of the yeast,
as the wine at the feast,
so it is with the Spirit of God.

REFLECTION

Rev Reg Weeks

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

"Salix" by Percy Whitlock (1903 – 1946)

HYMN

WOV 455 'Be thou my vision'

Words: Irish c. 8th cent adapt Music: Slane (Public Domain)

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day and by night;
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great father, I thy dear child;
thou in me dwelling, with thee reconciled.
3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight.
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r;
raise thou me heav'nward, O pow'r of my pow'r.
4. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'ns sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"Randolph" by R. Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)

OFFERING HYMN

AA 62 'Here we bring' verse 1

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Colin Gibson

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

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

OFFERING PRAYER

Oh holy one we bring you our gifts with cheerfulness and joyful hearts.
Grant that with our gifts we may also offer a ready mind and willing spirit, to
show forth in our lives the truth of the gospel, in Jesus name. Amen.

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

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Somalia, and we pray for peace efforts in Somalia. 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 Carlos Cheung (Mt Roskill) and Hon Karen Chour (List). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Palmerston North - Milson Combined 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***

CLOSING HYMN

AA 87 'Lift high the cross'

Words: Shirley Murray (adapt) Tune: CRUCIFER

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his glorious name!

1. Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
if we are silent, even stones cry out.

Refrain...

2. Jesus, you wept to see our human strife,
teach us compassion for each human life.

Refrain...

3. Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme,
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream.

Refrain...

4. Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God.

Refrain...

5. Worlds to be born and children yet to be
come, take up this song into eternity.

Refrain...

SUNG BLESSING

AA 99 'Now as we go'

Words © Shirley Murray Tune: © Colin Gibson

1. Now as we go, kind Spirit keep us,
in all we see, Christ be our focus,
in all we do, his story shape us,
that we may grow to God's good purpose.

2. Now as we go, sister and brother,
give us good care one of the other,
more hope to share,
more strength to gather,
more life to know in faith together.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE "Hornpipe" from The Water Music by G.F. Handel (1877 – 1933)

THANK YOU

to our musician today
Peter Franklin

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

EXPLORING FAITH - SUNDAY 8TH JUNE

We are continuing to work through the chapters in the book "Awakened" - a course with a progressive Christian perspective. Last meeting on the theme "Rebirth" we had about 20 participants. People seemed to appreciate the session. On Sunday 8th June we have our next session. This will begin at 12 noon after morning tea in Conference room 3 and finish by 1 pm. Our overall theme for the next 4 sessions will be "Diversity". And this particular session "Embracing our differences". Our biblical text for this coming session is as follows:

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of the one spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. (1 Corinthians 12:12-14)

It would be great if you would like to join us. Everybody is welcome of course. It is no problem if you have missed some or all of the previous sessions. Each session is stand alone. With thanks

Mike Wespel-Rose

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

For the first time in nearly 20 years, Aotearoa New Zealand has a chance to catch up with other countries in reducing our waste and litter. The Government is making some good first steps in proposing changes to our legislation whereby those who make, or import packaging, pay for how it's handled. St Andrew's has made a submission (<https://tinyurl.com/3kcen6dw>) supporting many of these changes. However, we'd like to see the Government undertake a more ambitious overhaul of our waste system to create an ecosystem where all resources are valued and nothing is wasted. This would include ensuring that products are made to be reused, repaired and recycled. **E-waste collections** (<https://tinyurl.com/37kvapmw>) are taking place from **9am-3pm at Tawa College, Saturday 7 June**, and **Airport Retail Park, Lyall Bay Parade, on 14 June**. And in our new **Good News** spot: check out some lovely art (<https://tinyurl.com/3fy4f38r>) from Eco Church Aotearoa for Pentecost. Maybe we can include some of these images in our services during Pentecost. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

DANCES OF UNIVERSAL PEACE OFFER

Parish Council has happily accepted Heather-Rose's offer to present this session of song/movement/meditation practice after service on 29th Sunday, to gauge if there is any interest in "tasting" this Sufi-inspired form. Sayings, phrases, teachings from many traditions, in a variety of languages, set to simple melodies are taught, simple steps are added, and song and dance (usually in a circle) are then woven together and repeated as a moving mantra. It will probably be in the hall after morning tea, with acoustic guitar and maybe hand drum as accompaniment to our voices. Ngā mihi, Heather-Rose

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>.

WIDER CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

UPCOMING CONCERT – AN AFTERNOON OF MOZART – SATURDAY JUNE 28TH

Featuring Mozart's greatest choral works with soloists. This concert promises to make you feel warm all over on a winters afternoon. Laudate Dominum and Ave Verum are complemented by his fiery Regina Coeli 108 and his quirky Missa Brevis - B flat. Sat 28 Jun 2025, 2:30pm–3:45pm. St Andrews on The Terrace. General Admission \$25.

WELLINGTON ECO CHURCH GATHERING - 14TH JUNE

The gathering will be a chance to connect with others who care deeply about creation and explore the *why* and *how* of being an eco church. We've got a great morning planned - opening reflections will be led by Annette Cater, and the Ngaio Climate Crew will share about their vision for a carbon-neutral suburb. There will be a session on how we can better manage waste in our churches, and updates on A Rocha resources, events, and opportunities. Whether you're just starting out or already walking the eco journey, this is a space for inspiration, learning, and shared action.

Where: Ngaio Union Church, 3 Kenya Street, Ngaio

When: Saturday 14th June 9:30am-12noon.

Bring your team or anyone interested—all are welcome!

There's no cost, but registration helps us plan hospitality. Register here:

<https://www.ecochurch.org.nz/events/wellington-eco-church-gathering>

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	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Kath Kerr and Tony Pears
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	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev Reg Weeks

On duty June 15th

Welcoming	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cam Smart (CG)
Offering	Lynette Burrell and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Michael Parker, Katrina Harper and Janet Horncy
Family Time	Jim Cunningham
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Anna Smith
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

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

Wednesday June 11th: 10am Lunchtime Concert: Jia Ling, Chinese Guzheng (zither) and Pei-Ying Pan, piano

Sunday June 15th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Jim Cunningham followed by Congregational Conversation and Younger Members (Y) Group.

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
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