



# ORDER OF SERVICE

15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025

TRINITY SUNDAY

## 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 Kyrie, God Father in eternity BWV 672 Johann Sebastian Bach (1739)**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

From the corners of these cities,  
from the confusion of life.  
from the loneliness in our hearts,

***we gather here.***

To feed our minds,  
to fire our imaginations,  
to free our hearts,

***we gather here.***

### SILENCE

### GATHERING

We come to this time aware of sacred mystery

***that brings us to life,***

***that calls us to freedom,***

***that moves among us as love.***

Let us open our hearts and minds

so that we may participate in this time.

***May our lives resonate with thanksgiving.***

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## WOV 68 'Praise my soul'

Words © J Bell & G Maule

1. Praise with joy the world's Creator,  
God of justice, love and peace,  
source and end of human knowledge,  
force of greatness without cease.  
Celebrate the Maker's glory –  
power to rescue and release.
2. Praise the Son, who feeds the hungry,  
frees the captive, finds the lost,  
heals the sick, upsets religion,  
fearless both of fate and cost.  
Celebrate Christ's constant presence –  
friend and Stranger, Guest and Host.
3. Praise the Spirit sent among us,  
liberating truth from pride,  
forging bonds where race or gender,  
age or nation dare divide.  
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure –  
foolishness none dare deride.
4. Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit,  
one God in community,  
calling Christians to embody  
oneness in diversity.  
Thus the world shall yet believe,  
when shown Christ's vibrant unity.

## 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

Meditation:                    **"Mystery"**                    **by Gordon B. McKeeman.**

*How does one address a mystery?*

*Cautiously*

*Reverently*

*Hopefully*

*Quietly*

## 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.

## FAMILY TIME

**Rev Dr Jim Cunningham**

## **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**

**Pat Booth**

### **Hebrew Bible**

**Genesis 1: 1-5**

*The beginning.....*

### **New Testament**

**Revelation 21: 9-16**

*Its length and width and height are equal*

### **Contemporary Reading**

**'The Quest of the Historical Jesus'**

Albert Schweitzer  
(New York: MacMillan, 1956), p. 403.

He comes to us as One unknown,  
without a name,  
as of old, by the lake-side;  
He came to those men who knew Him not.  
He speaks to us the same words:  
*'Follow thou me!'*  
and sets us to the tasks  
which He has to fulfill for our time.  
He commands. And to those who obey Him,  
whether they be wise or simple,  
He will reveal Himself in the toils,  
the conflicts, the sufferings  
which they shall pass through in His fellowship,  
and, as an ineffable mystery,  
they shall learn in their own experience  
Who He is.

## RESPONSE

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

## HYMN

### HIOS 116 'Praise the all-sustaining Word'

Words and Music © Colin Gibson

1. Praise the all-sustaining word,  
blazing out against the night;  
inextinguishable flame,  
beacon through the darkest night.  
Praise the calm, majestic will,  
drawing endless good from ill.
2. Praise the never-failing love,  
patient to the end of time;  
praise the rainbow and the dove  
searching ocean for a sign.  
Praise the mighty storm of grace  
pouring down upon this place.
3. Praise the parent-God of all,  
past and present, yet to be;  
praise the Christ, the child who showed  
love in pure simplicity.  
Praise the Spirit, lifelong friend;  
praise till praise shall, praising, end.

## REFLECTION

Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

## REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Trinity Fugue in Eb BWV 552,2 J S Bach (1739)

## HYMN

## 'God, the All-Holy'

Words: Brian Wren Tune BUNESSAN WOV 91

1. God the All-Holy, Maker and Mother,  
gladly we gather, bringing in prayer  
old hurts for healing, new hopes for holding,  
giving, receiving loving and care.
2. Spirit, All-Seeing, knitting and blending  
joy in desiring, friendship and ease,  
make our belonging loyal and lasting,  
so that our pledging freshens and frees.
3. Christ, All-Completing, nature enfolding,  
evil exhausting in loves embrace,  
weaving and mending, make every ending,  
God's new beginning, glowing with grace.

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** Christ, Comforter of the whole world BWV 673 J S Bach  
(1739)

## OFFERING HYMN

## AA127 'Take my Gifts'

Words and Music © Colin Gibson

1. Take whatever I can offer –  
gifts that I have yet to find,  
skills that I am slow to sharpen,  
talents of the heart and mind,  
things made beautiful for others  
in the place where I must be:  
take my gifts and let me love you,  
God who first of all loved me.

## OFFERING PRAYER

***Wairua Tapu, Creative Spirit:***

***as we bring our gifts,***

***koha of hand and heart,***

***inspire us to bring to life our vision of mana whenua,***

***where everyone is valued and understood;***

***where gifts of the Spirit bud and flower and bear the Spirit's fruit.***

***Amine***

## **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**

**Anna Smith**

### **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of South Africa and Lesotho, and we pray for the Presbyterian Church of South Africa. 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 Hon Judith Collins (Papakura) and Hon Casey Costello (List). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Palmerston North - St Alban's 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.*



## **CALL TO SERVICE** (*standing*)

Spirit of God, brooding over the waters of our chaos,

***inspire us to generous living.***

Wind of God, dancing over the desert of our reluctance,

***lead us to the oasis of celebration.***

Breath of God, inspiring communication among strangers,

***make us channels of your peace.***

## **CLOSING HYMN**

## **WOV 92 'God your power has called to being'**

Words: Michael Hare Duke ©1991 Stainer & Bell Ltd Tune: Hymn to Joy

1. God, your power has called to being  
all that fills the earth below.  
Myriad stars beyond our seeing,  
tiniest creatures that we know;  
earth and air and fire and water  
woven in the grand design,  
witness to the final meaning  
of your love in human kind.
2. Human lives are made for sharing;  
joined in trust and truth we grow,  
speech or silence opening pathways  
to the hearts we seek to know.  
Welcome love, by your renewal,  
Worn-out ways turn upside down;  
weak is strong, success is failure,  
and the wise becomes the clown.
3. From your self we take our nature,  
maker parent, love divine.  
Bound into your life we flourish,  
leaves and branches of the vine.  
Through the Christ we see your pattern,  
life surrendered, life restored:  
echoing through all creation  
sounds the spirit's deep accord.

4. Love releases us for taking  
one more risk than we might bear;  
glory breaks through dark and danger,  
shows the Lord transfigured there.  
God who planted our affections,  
help your gifts to grow more free,  
fan in us the flames of loving,  
daring, dancing Trinity.

### **BLESSING**

The Blessing of the God of Sarah and Hagar,  
as of Abraham.....

The Blessing of the Son,  
born of the woman Mary.....

The Blessing of the Spirit,  
who broods over us  
as a mother, her children.....  
be with us all.

### **SUNG AMEN**

### **POSTLUDE**

**Trinity Prelude in Eb BWV 552,1 J S Bach (1739)**

### **THANK YOU**

to our musician today  
**Bruce Cash**

### **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 week's Sustainability Update. In our **Good News** spot there's some great progress being made on eco-friendly ways of leaving this Earth. Eco-friendly natural burials have been available in Aotearoa New Zealand for some years, but this month, the first water cremation took place in Christchurch. This piece, by Alex Casey of The Spinoff, (<https://tinyurl.com/54462mtk>) describes the process, which is fascinating. During a water cremation, the body is wrapped in a shroud and dissolved in a 95 percent water and 5 percent alkaline solution. The process takes four hours and is 90 percent less harmful to the environment than flame cremation. There was also an interesting piece on *Country Life* on Radio New Zealand (<https://tinyurl.com/knr7vpu8>) about a couple who are providing funeral homes with biodegradable caskets and ash urns made from New Zealand wool. Finally, in a thought-provoking article entitled, 'The Reductionist Delusion', (<https://tinyurl.com/mr34hjub>) energy consultant Art Berman, sets out to prove that we've got it all wrong about the solutions to climate change. In a way that you don't see coming, he concludes: "We don't need new energy sources. We need a new relationship with energy that includes respect for Nature and our place in it, humility and restraint. One that recognizes that some thresholds, once crossed, don't rewind. And some systems, once overbuilt, don't transition—they unravel." Well worth a read. - 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 29<sup>th</sup> 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 recycling.

## **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.

### **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	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cam Smart (CG)
Offering	Lynnette Burrell and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Michael Parker, Katrina Harper and Janet Horncy
Family Time	Rev Dr 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

#### **On duty June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Matariki weekend)**

Welcoming	Pat McGiven and Pam Fuller
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Sandra Kirby
Offering	Paul Franken and Katrina Harper
Coffee/tea	Jim and Maxine Cunningham, Vivienne Mountier (CG)
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Corkill
Service Leader	Ellen Murray

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

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

**Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00am** Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

**12:15pm Lunchtime Concert:** Tubular Harmonies: A Low Brass Showcase – Mika Hayashi, Kate McGregor and Byron 'Buzz' Newton

**Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Ellen Murray followed by Social Justice Education 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	Dances of Universal Peace

# 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

<b>Minister</b>	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
<b>Parish Council Convenor</b>	Sue Hirst
<b>Treasurer</b>	Paul Barber
<b>Facilities Management Group</b>	Sandra Kirby
<b>Pastoral Care Team</b>	Maxine Cunningham, Pat Booth, Brian Burrell, Katrina Harper, Tony Kirby, Vivienne Mountier and Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
<b>Theologian in Residence</b>	Lloyd Geering
<b>Presbytery Representative</b>	Vacant
<b>Church Music Coordinator</b>	Vacant
<b>Eco Church Coordinator</b>	Sonia Groes-Petrie
<b>Faith in Action Coordinator</b>	Paul Barber
<b>Rainbow Room Coordinator</b>	Caroline Korybut
<b>Roster Coordinator</b>	Pam Fuller
<b>Concert Coordinator</b>	Kristina Zuelicke
<b>Centre Manager</b>	Adelina Reis
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Jemma Ballantyne
<b>Centre Assistant</b>	Germaine Ambray
<b>Facilities Assistant(s)</b>	Cooper Neeley-Grant, Isabella Oakley

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