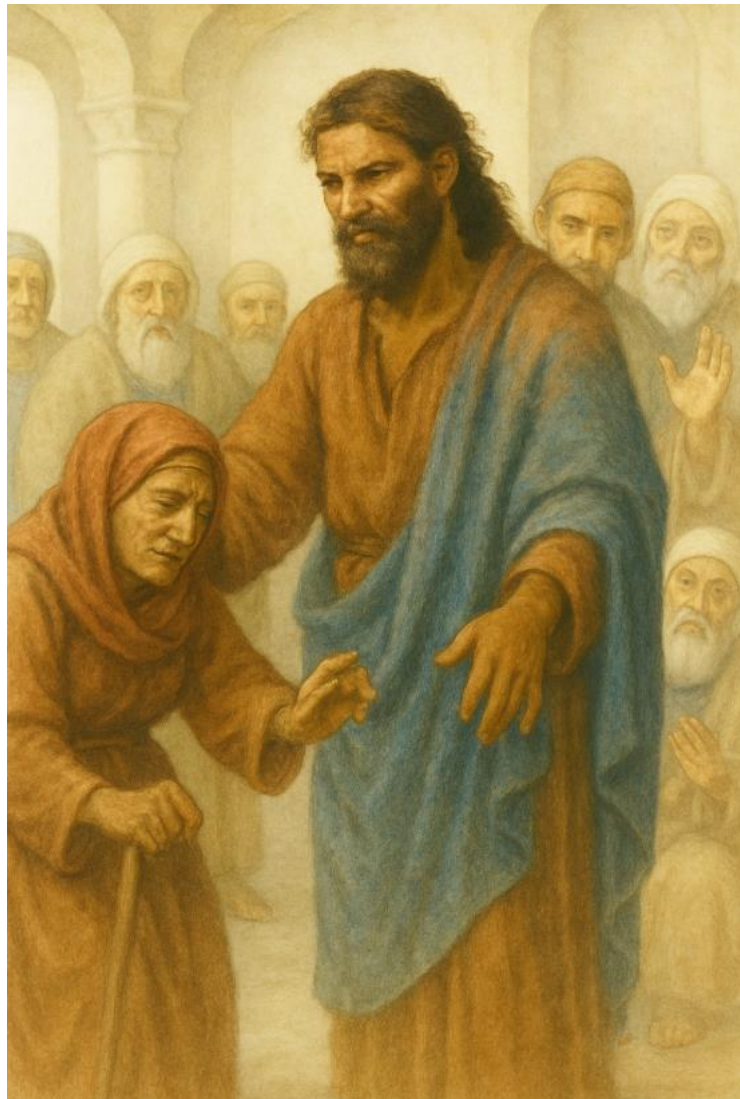


ORDER OF SERVICE

24TH AUGUST 2025

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“HEALING ON THE SABBATH”

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

Gagliarda by Jean de Macque (1550- 1614)

CALL TO WORSHIP

God of each moment of our lives,
in whose presence
our experience deepens and clarifies
until we are grounded in you:
we pause now,
opening our hearts and minds,
ready to receive
what insights and intuitions
you may offer.

SILENCE

GATHERING

Still us on this sacred morning, that we may rest from the worries that occupy our minds. Allow us space during this time of worship to let go of the things that stress us, the things that consume our thoughts.

May this time be a "me" time to re-think, re-view and re-create the ordinariness of our day. Surround us with the gift of friends today. ***Amen.***

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live;
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive,
built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. LL
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space,
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

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

A prayer to the God of our days.

God of the morning,
waken us to the glory of life and love
the joy and delight of a new day.

God of the noontide,
restore us with sustenance for our day
from the bounty of your goodness.

God of our work,
open us to the needs of those around us,
make us more aware of them
as we pray for all who struggle to make it through.

God of our evenings,
let us lay down the burdens
of a day well lived.

God of our rest,
restore us in body, mind and spirit
and give peace to all who are weary.

Iona Community

JESUS PRAYER IN TE REO MĀORI

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi

Our Parent in heaven

Kia tapu tōu ingoa.

Your name is holy

Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.

May your leadership arrive here

Kia meatia tōu e pai ai

Your will be done

ki runga ki te whenua,

On Earth

kia rite anō ki to te rangi.

As in heaven

Homai ki a mātou āiane

Give us today

he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.

Food for this day

Murua o mātou hara

Forgive our sins

me mātou hoki e muru nei

As we also forgive

i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

Those who sin against us

Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;

Carry us away from all that seduces us

Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:

Save us from evil

Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria,

Yours is the leadership, the power and the glory

Ake, ake, ake. Amine

Forever. Amen

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

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

FAMILY TIME

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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, the rangimārie, with or without shaking hands, and say “peace be with you”.

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Pat Booth

Hebrew Bible

Jeremiah 1:4-10

New Testament

Luke 13:10-17

Contemporary Reading

Sabbath Poem I (1979)

by Wendell Berry

*I go among trees and sit still.
All my stirring becomes quiet
around me like circles on water.
My tasks lie in their places
where I left them, asleep like cattle.*

*Then what is afraid of me comes
and lives a while in my sight.
What it fears in me leaves me,
and the fear of me leaves it.
It sings, and I hear its song.*

*Then what I am afraid of comes.
I live for a while in its sight.
What I fear in it leaves it,
and the fear of it leaves me.
It sings, and I hear its song.*

*After days of labour,
mute in my consternations,
I hear my song at last,
and I sing it. As we sing,
the day turns, the trees move.*

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

WOV 629 "Faafetai i le Atua"

Traditional Samoan hymn

1. Faafetai i le Atua
le na tatou tupu ai
ina ua na alofa fua
ia te i tatou uma nei.

*la pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai
ia pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai.*

Thanks to God
who has given us life
when he freely loved
all of us.

*Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.*

2. Faafetai i lona Alo
le na afio mai luga,
le ua fai ma faapaolo
ai le puapuaga.

*la pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai
ia pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai.*

Thanks to his son
who came from above,
who protects you
from all suffering.

*Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.*

3. Faafetai i le Agaga
le fesoasoani mai
e manuia ai talosaga,
atoa uma mea e fai.

*la pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai
ia pepese ia pepese
aleluia faafetai.*

Thanks to the spirit
who helps
to bless our prayers
and whatever we do.

*Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.
Sing, sing.
Alleluia, give thanks.*

REFLECTION

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

**“Alfie” by B. Bacharach (1928 – 2023) & Hal David
(1921 – 2012)**

HYMN

AA113 ‘Our life has its seasons’

Words: © Shirley Erena Murray Music: Kotuku © Colin Gibson

1. Our life has its seasons, and God has the reasons
why spring follows winter, and new leaves grow,
for there’s a connection with our resurrection
that flowers will bud after frost and snow,
*so there’s never a time to stop believing,
there’s never a time for hope to die,
there’s never a time to stop loving,
these three things go on.*
2. But there’s a time to be planting, a time to be plucking,
a time to be laughing, a time to weep,
a time to be building, a time to be breaking,
a time to be waking, a time to sleep,
so there’s never a time to stop believing.....
3. There’s a time to be hurting, a time to be healing,
a time to be saving, a time to spend,
a time to be grieving, a time to be dancing,
a time for beginning, a time to end.
so there’s never a time to stop believing.....

OFFERING MUSIC

Communion by Alexandre Guilmant (1837 – 1911)

OFFERING HYMN

AA127 ‘Take my Gifts’ v1

Words © Shirley Murray. Music © Colin Gibson.

1. Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shelter,
gave me life and set me free.
Now, because your love has touched me,
I have love to give away;
now the bread of love is rising,
loaves of love to multiply!

OFFERING PRAYER

*Loving God through your generosity you have given us so much.
Accept our offering as an expression of our deep thanks
and as a pledge of care and concern for those we encounter.*

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

Ellen Murray

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Thailand and we pray for the Church of Christ in Thailand. 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 Willie Jackson (List) and Hon Shane Jones (List). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Porirua - Cook Islands Presbyterian Church (Wgtn Region).

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

WOV669 'I am the Light of the World'

Words: Howard Thurman. Music: © Jim Strathee

Refrain:

*I am the light of the world.
You people come and follow me!
If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.*

1. When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and the shepherds have found their way home,
the work of Christmas is begun:

Refrain.....

2. To find the lonely and the lost,
to heal their broken souls with love,
to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,
to feel the earth below, the sky above;

Refrain.....

3. To free the prisoners from their chains,
to make the powerful care,
to re-build the nations with strength of good will,
to be at one with people everywhere;

Refrain.....

4. To bring hope to every task you do,
to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in an old person's heart,
and sing to the colours of the earth.

Refrain.....

SENDING OUT

As you leave this place to re-engage with your lives,
be alert for signs of hope in darkness,
seek justice and peace in places of conflict,
be a source of stability and love
where fear and confusion rule.

***We go to love and to learn,
to heal and to help.***

AMEN

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

Cornet Voluntary by John Travers (1703 – 1758)

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

VOTING FOR MAORI WARDS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2025 - SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP 24TH AUGUST 12-1.30PM COMMON ROOM 3

From 9 September, voters in 42 council areas across Aotearoa will decide whether to keep Māori wards in their local communities. This includes Wellington region councils. Given that this is a complex and often misunderstood issue, Common Grace Aotearoa has developed two free resources to engage with the issues. Join us for an extended SJ Group on Sunday 24th 12-1.30pm as we create space for curious, gracious, and informed conversations —grounded in our faith and guided by the wisdom of Tangata Whenua and accompanied by soup and rolls. Ellen Murray and Paul Barber. RSVP for catering numbers to office@[standrews.org.nz](mailto:office@standrews.org.nz)

LOCAL GOVT LIVING WAGE ELECTION FORUM

Kia ora, we need you to join us to keep WCC a Living Wage Council – and to push for more for our city's lowest-paid workers.

Event details:

Date: Wednesday, 3 September

Time: Arrive from 6.00 pm, forum starts 6.30 pm sharp

Location: St Andrew's on the Terrace, 30 The Terrace

At this forum, we'll be asking mayoral and council candidates to commit to:

- Keeping WCC a Living Wage Employer
- Supporting a Living Wage for the new water entity and the airport company.
- Backing Unions Wellington's call to insource council-contracted services.

Flyer attached – please share it widely!

See you there, cheers,

Finn Cordwell, Living Wage Lead Organiser

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING - SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH

Parish Council has decided to hold a Special General Meeting of St Andrew's on The Terrace on Sunday September the 14th, in the church immediately after the service. The purpose of the meeting is to present and approve the annual parish budget 2025-26 and to present plans for sustainable resourcing of our mission in future years. This is an important meeting at a key moment for our faith community but will not be a long meeting. Sue Hirst Parish Council Convenor
Paul Barber Treasurer

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

The Consumer Guarantees (Right to Repair) Amendment Bill is facing a considerable challenge, following a report (<https://tinyurl.com/2d2xme73>) from the Economic Development, Science and Innovation Select Committee, released on 18 August. Despite more than 95% of 1,250 public submissions supporting the Bill, the Committee recommended that it not proceed further. The report also failed to include the rationale behind this recommendation or the proposed amendments that were considered and ultimately not agreed upon. The Right to Repair community is understandably disappointed but says the fight is not over. The Bill's second reading is likely to be held in September, at the earliest, at which point the outcome will be decided by party votes. So now's the time to write to, or talk with, your local MP and urge them to support the Bill. And now for some **Good News**: Exciting news this week for people living in Karori. A big female kiwi was recently caught on camera near Wright's Hill, within reach of people's gardens in Burrows Ave. She's one of more than 200 kiwi released by the Capital Kiwi Project in the southwest of Wellington since 2022. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

COMMUNITY REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP (CORS) - TAKE ACTION

We were delighted to host Birgit Grafarend from Host International and she has asked for our support. Please add your name to the Amnesty International NZ's petition for the CORS programme Host International NZ <https://www.hostinternational.org.nz/> has been running this scheme for three years as a pilot and over 200 refugees have been welcomed into communities through this scheme, in addition to the annual quota of 1500 refugees the NZ government accepts. The future of the scheme is uncertain and it is vital that communities like ours show our support for making this a permanent scheme. Find out more about the Community Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) programme at this link: <https://www.refugeesponsorship.org.nz/>. Paul Barber (Social Justice Education Group)

RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S

During July we saved **5.4kg** of waste from landfill, about the same as in June. In the five months since we have been measuring our impact, we have saved **29kg**. Keep up the good work! As a reminder, we have added two new categories to our collection hub - household metal items and hair care and hair colour containers and aerosols. They join 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. 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.

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 EMERGENCY APPEALS

St Andrew's on The Terrace supports the work of Christian World Service and we encourage you to support their emergency appeals as you are able. **Sudan appeal** - Sudan has been locked in a bitter war for more than 15 months, displacing an estimated 10.7 million people – the highest number ever displaced within a country. An estimated 25.6 million people – over half the population are facing acute hunger. Donations to the Sudan Appeal will support our local partner the Mission for Sustainable Advancement based in Maridi, South Sudan. Over 660,000 people have fled south as the hostilities increased and hunger spread. They arrive traumatised and with nothing. CWS is appealing for donations to help their urgent need. With your gifts, MSA can not only help single mothers find shelter for their children but also establish gardens and set up small businesses so they can survive. MSA is an integral part of the Maridi community and has helped thousands of displaced people and returnees to resettle. It runs two preschools, health education programmes especially for young women and HIV and AIDS protection. CWS contributes to its scholarship, primarily focused on keeping girls in school, an HIV testing clinic and to local radio, MaridiFM. Donations to the Sudan appeal can be made through the CWS website: <https://cws.org.nz/about-us/emergencies/sudan-appeal/>

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	Simon Miller
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Paul Franken and Tony Pears
Coffee/tea	Kath Kerr, Marilyn Wallace and Vivienne Mountier
Family Time	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai
Readings	Pat Booth
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

On duty August 31st

Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst
Offering	Lynette Burrell and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Sally Gray
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Gillian Feist
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Service Leaders	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday August 24th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausuami followed by Social Justice Education Group

Wednesday August 27th 10:00am Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Lunchtime Concert: Wellington Viola Academy

Sunday August 31st: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausuami

STANDARD MONTHLY SUNDAY CYCLE OF ACTIVITIES AFTER SERVICE

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| 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 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
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