

ORDER OF SERVICE

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“HABAKKUK’S PRAYER”

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

Adagio from Sonata 1 by Mendelssohn (1809-47)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome one, welcome all. We are here and we have come to spend time in the quiet of this place

To listen, to discern, to reflect and contemplate on our connection with this mystery that we name God a very real presence that encapsulates and surprises.

Listen now as we hear what the spirit is saying to the churches

SILENCE

GATHERING

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.

1. Jesus comes to me as a springtime tree
and I receive him as a springtime tree.
Fragrant the blossoming of the child,
fresh with laughter, free and wild,
and carrying the green of summer.
2. Jesus comes to me as a summer tree
and I receive him as a summer tree.
Warm in the sun and richly laid
with patterns of growth through light and shade,
and carrying the fire of autumn.
3. Jesus comes to me as an autumn tree
and I receive him as an autumn tree.
Season of ripeness, brightly ablaze
like a torch in the quietness of closing days
and carrying the wood of winter.
4. Jesus comes to me as a winter tree
and I receive him as a winter tree.
Gentle the cross and gentle the snow,
gentle the path where he and I go,
carrying the buds of spring.

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 (Iona Community)

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.

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

Mike Wespel-Rose

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

Now you go 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

Anna Smith

Hebrew Bible

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

Gospel reading

Luke 19:1-10

I asked for strength and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.
I asked for wisdom and God gave me problems to learn to solve.
I asked for prosperity and God gave me a brain and brawn to work.
I asked for courage and God gave me dangers to overcome.
I asked for love and God gave me people to help.
I asked for favours and God gave me opportunities.
I received nothing I wanted. I received everything I needed.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

WOV 561 'Kneels at the feet of his friends'

Words: © Tom Colvin and people of Ghana; Music: Ghana Folk Melody

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet:
master who acts as a slave to them.
*Yesu, Yesu,
fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbours we have from you.*
2. Loving puts us on our knees,
serving as though we were slaves:
this is the way we should live with you
*Yesu, Yesu,
fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbours we have from you.*

REFLECTIVE MUSIC Candles burn in the night by James Michael Stevens (b1961)**HYMN****AA36 'Every day I will offer you'**

Words © 1992 Shirley Murray Music by Colin Gibson

1. Every day I will offer you,
loving God, my heart and mind,
every way I discover you
in the work your hand has signed;
help me see I'm your image, and
you have dreamed what I might be,
every day in the Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

2. Every day I will look to Christ,
and give thanks for wine and bread
through the pain and the emptiness
where your world cries to be fed;
help me see I can work for change,
and wherever I might be,
every day in your Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

3. Every day I will take your word,
answer your compassion's claim,
celebrate every sign of hope,
every deed done in your name;
help me see you are always there,
and your light can shine through me,
every day in the Spirit,
I'll find your love and energy!

OFFERING MUSIC

Skye Boat Song (trad)

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 Paraguay and Uruguay and we pray for the the Methodist Church in Uruguay. 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 Tracey McLellan (List) and James Meager (Rangitata). Here in the Central Presbytery we pray for the leaders and people of the Greytown - St Andrew'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.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

St Andrew's is an open community and all are invited to Christ's table. 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 to participate 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.

1. Spirit who draws our fragile selves together,
Spirit who turns a stranger to a friend,
be at this table where we greet each other,
be in the peace we pass from hand to hand.
2. Let us not die from poverty of caring,
let us not starve, where love is to be shared.
Come, break us open to receive your healing:
your broken body be our wine and bread.

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.

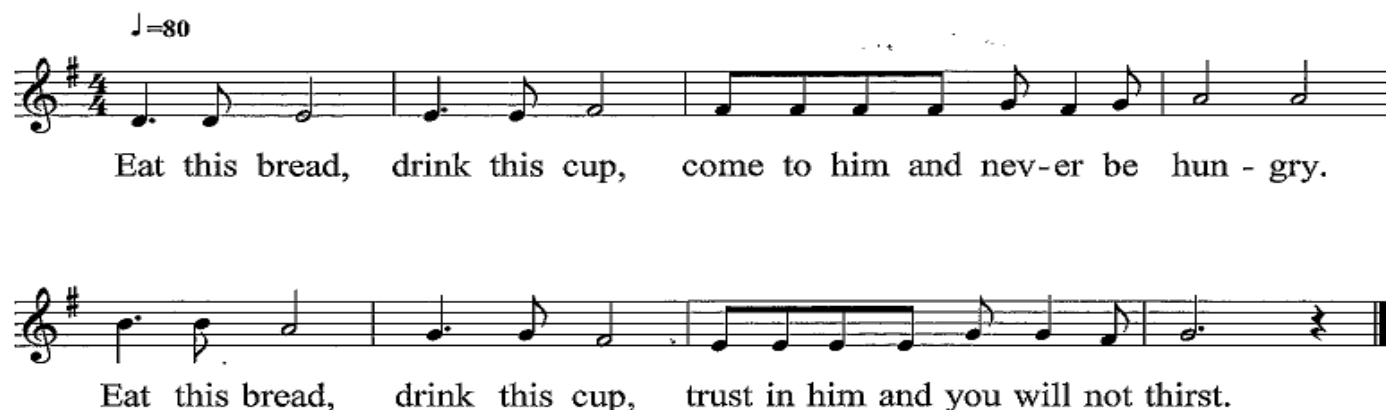
THE BREAD AND THE WINE ARE SHARED

(If you are able, please come forward otherwise you will be served where you are.)

COMMUNION CHANT

CH 661 'Eat this bread drink this cup'

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Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give thanks, God
that we have gathered together
in this sacred place,
that we have been refreshed at this meal.
We thank you for each person here.
We recommit to being your community
for each other
for our city
and our world. **Amine**

CLOSING HYMN

CH4729 'We shall go out with hope'

Words by June Boyce-Tillman © 1993 Stainer & Bell Ltd.

Tune: LONDONDERRY AIR

1. We shall go out with hope of resurrection
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly,
tales of a love that will not let us go.
We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted,
we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of a new life in Christ.

2. We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken;
we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed,
we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
expressing love alive in every heart.
We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping,
raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
we'll leap and dance Christ's resurrection story,
including all within the circles of our love.

BLESSING

Love God! Put God first. Walk humbly with our God. We are not the boss. Love others – all of them! As we love ourselves
Love others – as God loves them...especially the least, the last, the lost.
Be kind. Be fair. Share. Forgive. Encourage. Respect. Care for the Earth.
Trust God. Go and be a blessing. (Rosie Staite)

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

**1st movement, Concerto in A minor by Bach
(1685-1750)/Vivaldi (1678-1741)**

THANK YOU

to our musician today
Judy Dumbleton

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

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERTS



Wednesday 5 November 12:15pm – 1.00pm

Shannon Pittaway & Friends – NZSO trombones



Thursday 6 November 12:15pm – 1.00pm

String Quartets by Caroline Shaw and Maurice Ravel

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

A lot of information about the recent Assembly is available at <http://www.presbyterian.org.nz> including summaries of business decisions and videos that were shown to the Assembly. Or ask Ellen <[contact_ellen@yahoo.com](mailto:ellen@yahoo.com)> or Fei. The most significant business was decisions following on from the Church's public apology to survivors of abuse in Presbyterian Church care. The apology and information about the new holistic redress approach (which is managed confidentially and independently of the church) are on the Presbyterian website and are valuable reading for all of us. Ngā mihi, Ellen

MORNING TEA PROCEDURES

Currently people rostered on Sunday Morning Tea duty leave the Service during the last hymn to have things ready for when people arrive in the hall. At a recent Congregational Conversation it was suggested that, as most people stay on to listen to the Postlude before leaving their seats, those on duty could opt to stay in church for the BLESSING, and then leave for the kitchen. After some discussion It was agreed that this be trialled for a month or so, the only change for members of the congregation being that it may take a few more minutes for the tea and coffee to be ready after the service.

Pam Fuller, Roster Coordinator

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A reminder that the AGM will take place on Sunday the 16th of November after the service. Copies of the Annual Report will be available next week.

Sue

BLESSING FOR COMPLETED DISABILITY ACCESS PROJECT 7 DECEMBER

If it's not already in your diary please note that we will be blessing the new disability access ramp and raised flooring of the front entrance area on Sunday 7 December. We will be joined by special guests all of whom have had a hand in making the project happen. This year we will also celebrate St Andrew's Day on 7 December. Fei will talk about this closer to the time, but this means it will be a double celebration. The service will be followed by a shared lunch including invited guests. Meantime, from this Sunday 19 October we are permitted to use the front door and the gallery again by the Wellington City Council. This week the non-slip surface on the entrance floor has been completed, thanks to the fine weather. Still to do is the grouting and sealing of the edges of the concrete for which we will need at least two further consecutive days of fine weather. Thanks for your patience. Lynne

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

A climate action storytellers' night is being held in Wellington on Thursday 6 November, 5.30 - 7.30pm. Climate Kōrero Pōneke (<https://tinyurl.com/2pdxvrur>) is the third kōrero in a series dedicated to celebrating the inspiring mahi of individuals and organisations driving climate action in our communities. Four passionate speakers will share their journeys, insights, and practical ways you can get involved in local climate action. The event follows the Pecha Kucha format - each speaker presents 20 slides, with each slide shown for 20 seconds. This fast-paced visual format is a great way to share stories and keeps everyone on their toes! After each presentation, you'll have the chance to kōrero directly with the speakers, so bring your questions and curiosity. The four speakers are: Gareth Hughes, Wellbeing Economy Alliance, Ellie Clayton, Kaicycle, Emma Osborne and Gareth Jardine, EkaRua Rebicycle and Orini Rokx-Taratu and Santino Morehu, Future Unity. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group.

RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S

I don't have a full September update on the amount of material recycled through our centre but I know from the weeks I collected there was at least 2.3kg. 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. Make sure you have one at home for easy reference. Thanks for all your recycling efforts. It's really making a difference to what goes into landfill. - Sonia Groes-Petrie and Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Household batteries can be dropped off for FREE in Wellington 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. There are also now three battery recycling points in Hutt City: War Memorial Library, Eastbourne Neighbourhood Hub and Naenae Neighbourhood Hub.

NEARBY DEFIBRILLATORS

Suspected Cardiac Arrest.

Dial 111 for ambulance immediately. This address is 30 The Terrace.

During business hours wall mounted automated external defibrillators (AEDs) are held across the road in the foyers of Pastoral House, 25 The Terrace, and the Treasury building, No 1 The Terrace.

AEDs are also available 24 hours at the Bolton Hotel, 12 Bolton Street (ask at reception just inside the sliding glass doors – the AED is mounted in a room just behind reception) and at the Reserve Bank, 2 The Terrace (ask at reception – the AED is mounted on a wall at the far end of reception), or after hours via the security guard – via external intercom if the guard is not visible. The external intercom is on a stand at the entrance to the left of the main doors at the top of the stairs). After hours and at the weekend try the Bolton Hotel first – if the Treasury security guard is not visible there may be a substantial wait for the guard to come to the front door

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 / cereals, 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 in 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.

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	Pam Fuller and Pat McGiven
Sound	Frank Cook (CG)
Laptop	Mike Wespel-Rose
Offering	Mike Wespel-Rose and Lynnette Burrell
Coffee/tea	Marilyn Wallace, Katrina Harper and Janet Horncy
Family Time	Mike Wespel-Rose
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Cam Smart
Communion	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Doug Lendrum, Vhari McWha, Paul Barber and Rosemary Lawrence
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Judy Dumbleton
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

On duty November 9th

Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst (CG)
Offering	Bridget Martin and Katrina Harper
Coffee/tea	Sally Gray, Kath Kerr and Michael Parker
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Marilyn Wallace
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leaders	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday November 2nd: 10am Communion Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

Wednesday November 5th 10:00am Cuppa and a Chat in the Centre

12:15pm Lunchtime Concert Shannon Pittaway & Friends – NZSO trombones

Sunday November 9th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai 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 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
Centre Assistant	Sara Rokni
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