

# ORDER OF SERVICE

18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026

## SECOND SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY



**CONNECTION WITHOUT FACES**

## 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

**Präludium by Johann Rinck (1770-1846)**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, people of God, from coastlands and cities,  
from near and far, from places named and unnamed.  
The Holy One calls us before we know our own names,  
and speaks purpose into lives that feel hidden or worn.

Come, you who have known weariness,  
you who have wondered whether your labour mattered.  
God says: *You are not forgotten.*  
Your life is held, your work is seen.

### SILENCE

### GATHERING

Come, servants and seekers,  
called not only for ourselves  
but to be light, to bring hope beyond boundaries,  
to witness to a love wider than we imagine.

Let us worship the God  
who calls us, forms us,  
and sends us into the world  
as signs of justice, mercy, and light.

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## CH4 533 'Will you come and follow me'

Words: John L Bell and Graham Maule

Tune: KELVINGROVE Trad Scottish arr John L Bell

1. Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
Will you let my name be known?  
Will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?
3. Will you love the "you" you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

## 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

God of light and revelation,  
you speak before we are ready to listen,  
you call before we know how to respond,  
you shine your purposes into places we thought were hidden.

In this season of Epiphany,  
as light breaks into the ordinary,  
gather us with our questions and our wonder,  
our searching and our hope.  
When we have doubted our worth  
or wondered whether our lives make a difference,  
remind us that you call us by name  
and hold our stories within your greater story.  
You reveal a calling that reaches beyond ourselves—  
to be light for others,  
to reflect your justice,  
to carry hope across boundaries of fear and division.

Open our eyes to see where your light is already at work.  
Open our hearts to receive it with humility and joy.  
Open our lives to shine it gently into the world.

As we worship, re-form us as your people,  
so that when we leave this place,  
we go as bearers of light—  
revealing your love in word and action,  
this day and always. **Amen.**

## JESUS' PRAYER

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***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**

*(based on lectionary reading from John 1:29-42)*

**Cam Smart**

## **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**

**Gillian Feist**

### **Hebrew Bible**

**Isaiah 42:1-9**

### **New Testament**

**1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

## **Contemporary Reading**

**‘Big with Life’** *By Marilyn Wilkinson*

*Journal of NZ Spiritual Directors*

I stand in the supermarket queue.  
She before me has her trolley full to bursting.  
She too is full.  
She must be tired, I know so well.  
There is a toddler in the trolley watching it all.  
It can't be long now before his big day.  
This mother stands erect, proud.  
How different it was 50 years ago.  
Then we wore horrid dresses

to cover up the bulge;  
as pregnancy must not be on show.  
Perhaps this thinking stemmed from men  
in years gone by  
wanting their women to have tiny waists.  
Looking back I feel a sadness.  
I wasn't embarrassed,  
I was thrilled to be carrying this bundle.  
Soon I would be giving birth  
to a new piece of humanity  
to be one with,  
to love and care for.  
One thousand years ago  
Meister Eckhart had some advice.  
'As a woman is big with child' he said  
'so we should be big with nothingness.'  
This may seem bewildering  
but wait!  
This nothing is actually everything.

## RESPONSE

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

## HYMN

### AA 59 'He came singing love'

Words and Music: Colin Gibson Tune: SINGING LOVE

1. He came singing love  
and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.  
He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

2. He came singing faith  
and he lived singing faith;  
he died singing faith.  
He arose in silence.  
For the faith to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

3. He came singing hope  
and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope.  
He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

4. He came singing peace  
and he lived singing peace;  
he died singing peace.  
He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on  
we must make it our song:  
you and I be the singers.

**REFLECTION**    *“Held in Grace, Called Together”*    Rev Dr Fei Taule’ale’ausumai

**REFLECTIVE MUSIC**                      **“Solemn Melody” by Walford Davies (1869-1941)**

**HYMN**                      **WOV 667 ‘The love of God is broad like beach and mountain’**

Words: Anders Frostenson (1968), *tr.* Fred Kaan 1929-*alt.*

Tune: GUDS KARLEK arr. Guy Jansen

1. The love of God is broad like beach and mountain,  
wide as the wind, and our eternal home.  
God leaves us free to seek love or reject it;  
We’re given room to answer ‘yes’ or ‘no’.

***Refrain:***

*The love of God is broad like beach and mountain,  
wide as the wind, and our eternal home.*

2. We long for freedom, where our truest being  
is given hope and courage to unfold.  
We seek in freedom space and scope for dreaming,  
and look for ground where trees and plants may grow.

***Refrain....***

3. But there are walls that keep us all divided;  
we fence each other in with hate and war.  
Fear is the bricks and mortar of our prison;  
our pride of self the prison coat we wear.

***Refrain....***

4. O, judge us, Lord, and in your judgment free us,  
and set our feet in freedom's open space;  
take us as far as your compassion wanders  
among the children of the human race.

***Refrain....***

**OFFERING MUSIC**

**"O Perfect Love" by Jospeh Barnby (1838 -1896)**

**OFFERING HYMN**

**AA 62 "Here we bring small or great"**

Words: © Shirley Erena 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 heart will always be  
where your riches are, where your riches are."*



## OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance and revelation,  
you have shown us your love not in scarcity,  
but in overflowing grace and generous love.

As we bring these gifts,  
we offer more than money or resources—  
we offer gratitude for what has been entrusted to us,  
and hope for the world you are still revealing.

Bless what is given and what is shared.  
May these offerings become signs of your light—  
lighting paths of justice,  
strengthening communities of care,  
and restoring dignity where it has been diminished.

***Shape us, through this act of giving,  
to live generously,  
to recognise your presence in the ordinary,  
and to join in your transforming work of love. 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

Pat Booth

## **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

We think today of the people of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia and we pray for the Union of the Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East. 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 Carmel Sepuloni (Kelston) and Hon David Seymour (Epsom). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of the Kilbirnie 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.*

## CLOSING HYMN

## FFS 57 'Song of faith that sings forever'

Words © Shirley Murray Music © Colin Gibson.

1. Song of faith that sings forever  
through God's people, ages long,  
word that holds the world together  
when our hearts take up the song,  
always, always, somewhere sounding,  
though the source we do not see,  
counterpoint to all despairing,  
it is hope that sets the key.
2. Song of faith in exaltation,  
rising through the vaults of prayer,  
tune of simple celebration  
offered up in open air,  
song in chapel and cathedral,  
descant to our daily tone,  
song from sickbed or in prison,  
faith must often sing alone.
3. And when life would overwhelm us,  
when there seems no song to sing,  
hear the constant voice of courage  
out of fear and suffering:  
all who've loved and trusted Jesus,  
all who lift us to be strong,  
endless, endless are the voices  
of the faith that makes the song.

## BLESSING

May the Spirit guide your steps,  
so that you do not merely admire the light  
but carry it—  
into streets and homes,  
into conversations and choices,  
into places longing for hope.  
Go now as people of Epiphany:  
illumined, sent, and trusted  
to reflect God's light in the world.

**Amen**

**SUNG AMEN**

**POSTLUDE      March from “A Bridge Too Far” by John Addison (1920 – 1998)**

**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.

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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

UPCOMING CONCERT – JOSHUA HAN, PIANIST. SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026



## Joshua Han returns to St Andrew's on The Terrace Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026, 3pm



*Winner of the Australian National Piano  
Award 2024*

*"Complete mastery of his instrument"  
— Sydney Arts Guide*

### Programme:

Beethoven: Sonata No. 30 in E Major  
Prokofiev: Sonata No. 7 in B Flat Major  
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Chopin: Sonata No. 3 in B minor

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## **SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE**

If you're going away over the summer break, here are some energy-saving tips for while you're gone, courtesy of Toast Electric, which is part of the Sustainability Trust.

1. Turn off heat pumps at the wall - heat pumps and other heaters can still use a bit of power when they're left on standby.
2. Put your hot water cylinder into holiday mode - if your cylinder has a holiday or away setting, use it. Otherwise, lowering the temperature or switching it off altogether can save a fair bit of energy. Just make sure that, when you return, you allow it to heat up fully before you use the water because of bacteria, e.g. Legionella.
3. Unplug appliances you won't need at the wall - TVs, modems, microwaves, ovens and chargers all use small amounts of power even when they're not doing anything.
4. Close curtains and air the house before you go - close curtains or blinds on the sunny side of the house to keep heat out. Before leaving, open things up to let fresh air through. This helps keep moisture down.
5. Set your solar up to run quietly in the background - if you've got solar power installed check your system is set to export unused power back to the grid. If you have a battery, switching it to an eco or export mode stops it cycling unnecessarily. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

## **RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S**

Congratulations! November was a bumper month for recycling, partly because it had an extra fifth Sunday. We collected 8.8kg of used materials. Tetra Paks and plastic and metal tops accounted for the bulk of recyclables. Thank you for washing everything before you drop it off. It makes the sorting much more pleasant! If you're clearing out a shed or garage over the holidays we can collect a wide range of metal objects ranging from old tools, taps and saucepans through to blunt scissors, nuts and bolts, and metal drink bottles. Remember, too, to bring in any brand of empty (clean) hair care containers - bottles, tubs and aerosols are all accepted. And if you haven't got a copy of the latest version of all the things you can recycle at St Andrew's, pick one up from the desk in the North Vestry. - 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

### **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 Booth
Sound	Frank Cook
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Paul Franken and Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Aaron Cook
Family Time	Cam Smart
Readings	Gillian Feist
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room	Closed
Library	Closed
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

#### **On duty January 25<sup>th</sup>**

Welcoming	Pat McGiven and Pam Fuller
Sound	Ben Gray
Laptop	Ben Gray
Offering	Kath Kerr and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Jeni Bryant and Janet Horncy
Family Time	Frank Cook
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room	Closed
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leaders	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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

**Sunday January 18<sup>th</sup>: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

**Sunday January 25<sup>th</sup>: 10am** Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

**Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup>: 10am** Communion Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Community Brunch.

#### **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

<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>	Sara Rokni
<b>Facilities Assistant(s)</b>	Fynn Neeley-Grant, Isabella Oakley, Cooper Neeley-Grant, Oliver Hope

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