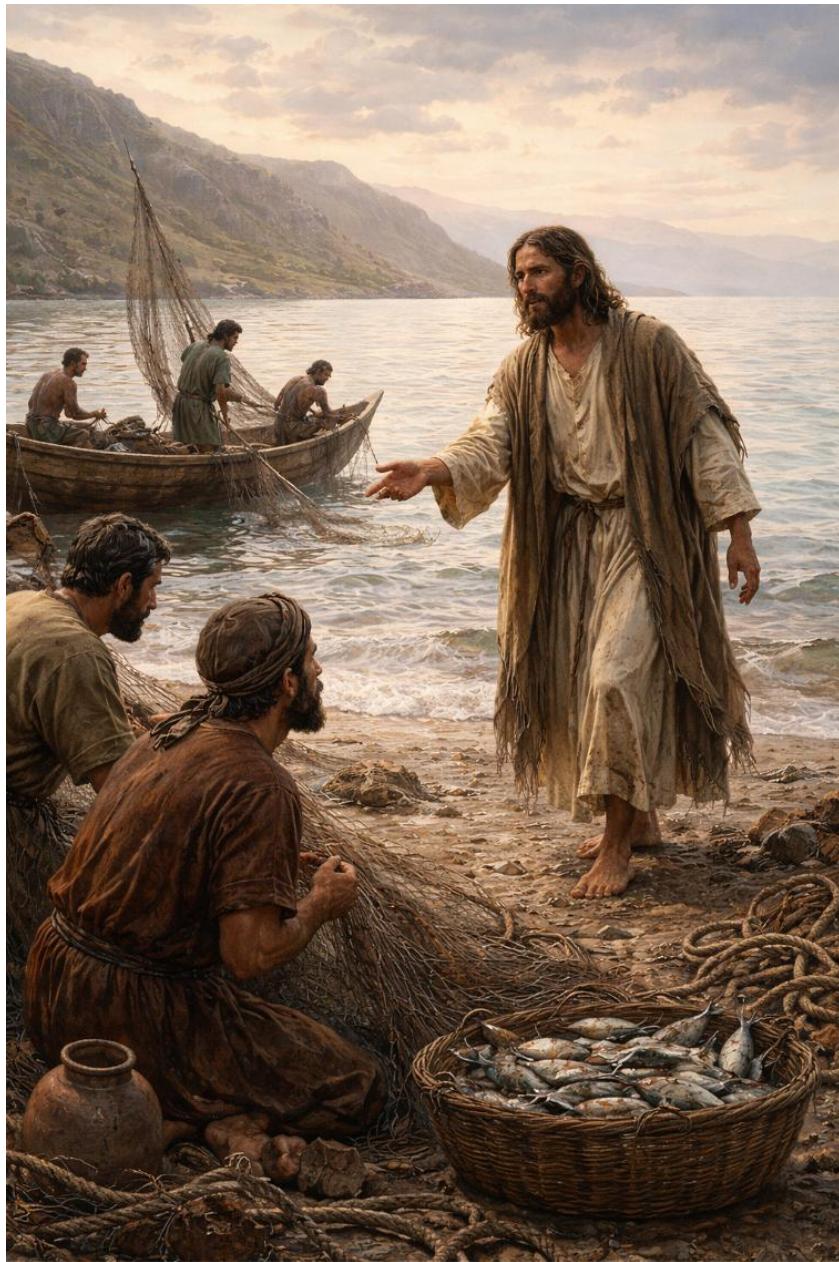




ORDER OF SERVICE

25TH JANUARY 2026

EPIPHANY 3



“COME AND FOLLOW ME”

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

We have come from the North, South, East and West to gather here at St. Andrew's on The Terrace.

Epiphany God, shake us out of our complacency and stir in us the hope for a new present, a hopeful tomorrow so that we as the face of Jesus in this world may be able to make a difference. May that difference be with the people we meet both in and outside of our community and may that difference have an influence in global issues of justice and peace.

SILENCE

GATHERING

We gather in this place of welcome

Our presence together makes this space sacred

We gather for a time of reflection

May we be more aware of the presence of the sacred

We gather and reaffirm the impulse of the sacred towards justice and peace

Let us celebrate life in the presence we name God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AA 15 'Christ is Alive'

Words © Shirley Murray Music© Jillian Bray

1. Christ is alive, and the universe must celebrate,
and the stars and the suns shout on this Sunday morn!
Christ is alive, and his family must celebrate
 in a great alleluia,
 a great alleluia
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.

2. Here is our hope: in the mystery of suffering
is the heartbeat of Love, Love that will not let go.
Here is our hope, that in God we are not separate,
 and we sing alleluia,
 we sing alleluia
to praise the power that made the stone roll away.

3. Christ Spirit, dance through the dullness of humanity
to the music of God, God who has set us free!
You are the pulse of the new creation's energy;
 with a great alleluia,
 a great alleluia
we praise the power that made the stone roll away.

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

by Rex Hunt

As we gather, let us affirm the connection we have:
with each other, and
with that creative mystery we call God.

*May we remain open to the unfolding of
all that can be celebrated,
all that can be learned,
all that can be done,
all that can be,
without diminishing the life of others.*

May it be so.

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

Rosemary Lawrence

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

Frank Hanson

Hebrew Bible

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

New Testament

Matthew 4:12-23

Contemporary Reading

‘Peacemakers?’

By Susan Jones From the book ‘Dare to Dream’

What was it like, Jesus
when others
wanted peace at all costs
without knowing the cost of real Peace?

when they expected you
to condemn
the woman who sprawled,
shrinking, at your feet
with the cry ‘Adulterer!’
ringing in her ears
bracing herself for the first stone
to slam into her body?

What was it like
to know you could buy peace
by following the rules
faithfully but blindly,
as the accusing, watchful eyes
demanded?
What was it like
to take the risk

of restoring Peace in the house of prayer
arousing the anger of vested interests
disturbing the comfortable
profit-making ventures of the powerful?

What was it like to refuse to satisfy
the militant agenda of the
zealots among your own disciples
to ride in humble dignity
upon an ass
knowing only some would understand
the implications?

What was it like, Jesus
to watch us trading justice for peace
and trading Peace for gain
condemning the weak
whose sin is no worse than our own
while allowing the powerful
to rob and oppress the poor?

You were strong enough
to fight for justice
and not to fight for power.

What would it be like, Jesus
if we were to be open to your strength

and so could be peacemakers
unafraid to shatter
the peacefulness
of injustice?

RESPONSE

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

HYMN**'Saviour I Heard Your Voice Gently Say' (Psalm 27)**

Words/Music: David Burt

Refrain:

*Saviour, I heard your voice gently say:
Seek you my face, come, walk, child, with me;
Lord Jesus Christ, thy face will I seek,
My heart replies in worship to thee.*

1. Hear, O my God, when I call with my voice,
have mercy upon me and answer my cry
In your sweet presence my heart will rejoice,
to our tender call my heart will reply.

Refrain...

2. Hide not thy face from me, oh God
and turn not thy servant in anger away;
My constant help thou hast been till today
so do not forsake me or leave me, oh God.

Refrain...

3. In your great mercy teach me your way
and out of your paths let me never depart.
Wait on the Lord, be of courage, I say,
and his loving kindness shall strengthen your heart.

Refrain...**REFLECTION****"Courage to Trust, Courage to Follow"**

Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

REFLECTIVE MUSIC**HYMN****AA 31 'E te Atua'**

Tune: arr by Nicola and Guy Jansen

1. E te Atua aroha mai [x3]
ake ake tonu e. *O God love us
forever and ever.*

2. E te Atua manaaki mai [x3] ake ake tonu e.	<i>O God bless us forever and ever.</i>
3. E te Atua awhina mai [x3] ake ake tonu e.	<i>O God help us forever and ever.</i>

OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

AA 127 'Take my gifts' v2

Words: © Shirley Murray Music: © Colin Gibson

Tune: TALAVERA TERRACE

1. Take the fruit that I have gathered
from the tree your Spirit sowed,
harvest of your own compassion,
juice that makes the wine of God;
spiced with humour, laced with laughter –
flavour of the Jesus life,
tang of risk, and new adventure,
taste and zest beyond belief.

OFFERING PRAYER

We are thankful for all we ourselves have received.

***We acknowledge the privilege of having homes, food and drink,
beds, and light and heat when necessary. May our gifts bless
those who receive them. 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

Lynne Dovey

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Australia and we pray for the National Council of Churches in Australia. 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 Penny Simmonds (Invercargill) and Scott Simpson (Coromandel). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of the Levin Uniting 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.

CLOSING HYMN

AA45 'Give thanks for life'

Words: © Shirley Murray Tune: SINE NOMINE

1. Give thanks for life,
the measure of our days,
mortal, we pass through
beauty that decays,
yet sing to God our hope,
our love, our praise,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. Give thanks for those
who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame,
bursting through the night,
who touched the truth,
who burned for what is right,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. And for our own, our living
and our dead,
thanks for the love by
which our life is fed,
a love not changed by time
or death or dread,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. Give thanks for hope,
that like the wheat, the grain
lying in darkness
does its life retain,
in resurrection
to grow green again,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

BLESSING

May the peace of the Epiphany God,
the joyful peace of finding,
the enlightening peace of seeing,
the challenging peace of understanding,
the radical peace of following a different route,
energise and encourage you
as you travel onwards.

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

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.

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 8TH FEBRUARY 2026



Joshua Han

returns to

St Andrew's on The Terrace

Sunday 8th 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

Tickets \$30 waged | \$25 unwaged | \$10 Students

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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	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	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Frank Hanson
Prayers of the People	Lynne Dovey
Rainbow Room	Closed
Library	Closed
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

On duty February 1st

Welcoming	Pauline and David Patchett
Sound	Tania Penafiel Bermudez
Laptop	Mike Wespel- Rose
Offering	Mike Wespel- Rose and Tony pears
Coffee/tea	Katrina Harper, Kath Kerr, Aaron Cook and Janet Horncy (CG)
Family Time	Mike Wespel-Rose
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Communion	Sandra and Tony Kirby, Paul Barber, Frank Cook, Vhari McWha and Ata Burr
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Mike Wespel- Rose
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leaders	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday January 25th: 10am Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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

Sunday February 8th: 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'aumai
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'aumai
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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