



ORDER OF SERVICE

24TH MAY 2026

PENTECOST



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 Jim Cunningham

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

It is time! Spirit, move in the heart of God

Come, warm into the rock of our beginnings, alive with original blessings.

Spirit, run in the streets of the city.

Flow to the deep brown roots of our belonging.

Spirit, invade the air.

Stretch widely with whispering wings, and cover us with your healing.

Spirit, soar in the mobile phone towers and shop fronts.

Carry the seed, call the song of the dance in the hearts of God. Wake us to hope and freedom.

SILENCE

GATHERING

God's Spirit calls us into the future.

God's Spirit calls us to new vision.

God's Spirit call us in compassionate love.

The Spirit of imagination is a gift to all people.

The Spirit of faithfulness is the gift of the earth.

The Spirit of hope breathes in the homeless and marginalized of the city

The Spirit of freedom was announced by those who went before us
and we proclaim it again today.

The Spirit of love is a gift to the church in every age.
We see the flames of the Spirit of God.
The Spirit is dancing, moving, struggling,
rising and calling to the ends of the earth.
We have seen the flame of the Spirit in our midst.
***Let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life
in the presence we name God.***

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“God of every new beginning”

Words: Carl P Daw Tune: BLAENWERN WOV 165ii

1. God of every new beginning,
each rekindling, all fresh starts,
reawakening joy and wonder,
rousing nerve in fearful hearts:
shepherd us through doubts and shadows;
with new promise prod and brace;
show us how our past connects us
to your future full of grace.
2. God the Spirit, life-bestower,
singing wind and dancing fire,
fount of faith's imagination,
hope's endurance, love's desire:
come, renew your gifts among us,
let them form our minds and wills;
fire us with the truth that frees us;
breathe again the peace that stills.
3. God incarnate, dwelling with us,
Word made flesh by human birth,
Love embodied in our story
Suffering Servant here on earth;
teach us how our life together
forms a witness to your care;
through this holy mystery may we
firmly trust and greatly dare.

WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti,
ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.

Kia ora tātou.

Talofa lava, welcome to St Andrews on the Terrace

Talofa lava, we 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

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

Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

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 RANGIMARIE THE PEACE

Our practice is to pass the peace the rangimārie, with or without shaking hands, and say "Peace be with you."

THE WORD IN TEXTS

John Harper

Hebrew Bible

Genesis 11: 1-9
The Tower of Babel

Reflection 1

New Testament

Acts 2: 1-13
The Day of Pentecost

Reflection 2

Contemporary Reading

James K. Baxter

'Song to the Holy Spirit'

Lord, Holy Spirit,
You blow like the wind in a thousand paddocks,
Inside and outside the fences,
You blow where you wish to blow.

Lord, Holy Spirit,
You are the sun who shines on the little plant,
You warm him gently, you give him life,
You raise him up to become a tree with many leaves.

Lord, Holy Spirit,
You are the mother eagle with her young,
Holding them in peace under your feathers.
On the highest mountain you have built your nest,
Above the valley, above the storms of the world,
Where no hunter ever comes.

Lord, Holy Spirit,
You are the bright cloud in whom we hide,
In whom we know already that the battle has been won.
You bring us to our Brother Jesus
To rest our heads upon his shoulder.

Lord, Holy Spirit,
You are the kind fire who does not cease to burn,
Consuming us with flames of love and peace,
Driving us out like sparks to set the world on fire.

Lord, Holy Spirit,
In the love of friends you are building a new house,
Heaven is with us when you are with us.
You are singing your songs in the hearts of the poor
Guide

us, wound us, heal us. Bring us to the Father.

RESPONSE

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

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

1st Movement from Sonata in E by Bach

HYMN

HIOS 96 " Make Spaces for Spirit"

Words © Shirley Erena Murray Music © Colin Gibson

1. Make spaces for Spirit! For energy rising,
for Pentecost presence, the wind and the fire,
a new kind of language, a voice and a vision
to shift and uplift us, to rouse and inspire.
2. Make spaces for action by spirited people:
the leader, the teacher, the healer of ill,
the builder, the artist, the bringer of laughter,
the melding and welding of spirit and will.
3. Make spaces for graces, the gifts of the Spirit,
the fruit of the garden where love is the spring,
the water of blessing, the incense of worship,
the wine poured for sharing, the hope that will sing.
4. Make spaces for Spirit by changing of systems,
by opening prisons, by debtors' release,
the flaming of courage, the firing of justice,
the Spirit of Jesus, the coming of peace.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERING HYMN

Words: John Taylor (1750 – 1826) Tune: DUKE STREET WOV 24

1. Willing hands, to lead the blind,
heal the wounded, feed the poor.
Love embracing all our kind,
charity with liberal store.

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pat Booth

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Cambodia, and we pray for the Christian World Service Partner Church World Service Cambodia and their work with communities to deliver food security, health services, savings and credit schemes, and training of volunteers to provide village services. 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 Carl Bates (Whanganui) and Hon Andrew Bayly (Port Waikato). Here in the Central Presbytery, we pray for the leaders and people of Pahiatua - St Paul'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.*

CLOSING HYMN

“God the Weaver”

Words: M Dobson Stainer & Bell Tune: CWM RHONDDA WOV 478

1. God the weaver, making patterns,
spinning threads throughout our days -
Joy and sadness interwoven,
strands of sorrow, strands of praise.
Help us to discern your weaving
in the multi-coloured maze.
2. Teach us, Lord, to trust your guidance
when the pattern is not clear,
and to feel your strength and comfort
when life's fabric's torn by fear.
Help us sense that in the dark times
Lightening love is always near.

3. When we see the pattern changing
and a new direction starts,
let us know your love unbroken
winds through life in all its parts
by the threads of love and friendship
closely woven in our hearts.

4. Though we never see the picture
with your sense of space and time,
help us, Lord, to take our places
in our faith's continuing line,
as all lives are interwoven
in your final grand design.

BLESSING

SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU

Prélude et Scherzo by Büsser

to our musicians today
Kristina Zuelicke
Anastasia Bell

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

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

During the week my gas heating system packed a sad, not coming on when it was meant to and coming on in the middle of the night when it should have been asleep. A plumber is coming to investigate but, in the meantime, it's brought what has been at the back of my mind to the fore: at what point should I switch from my time-limited, fossil fuel hungry and all-round unsustainable heating source to electricity? And, maybe eventually, solar-powered electricity? For anyone else thinking about this, Rewiring Aotearoa (rewiring.nz) is a great place to start your research. Rewiring Aotearoa is a not-for-profit dedicated to helping households and communities transition to clean, affordable energy. Their website answers lots of questions, highlights different pieces of research and carries lots of case studies. During July it is running a series of events around Wellington on how to electrify your home: **Johnsonville, 21 July, Hataitai 22 July** and **Kelburn 23 July**. Details are at: <https://www.rewiring.nz/tour#all-events>. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

Living Wage Cities Assembly - Wednesday 27th May 6-7.30pm Loaves and Fishes Wellington Anglican Cathedral 2 Hill Street Thorndon.

Following on from the table talks held around the city including at the March Social Justice Group, the next stage in the Living Wage movement in our region This is an 'assembly' of faith, union, and community groups coming together to publicly unite around and sign on to our Living Wage Cities Charter formed through our table talks. St Andrews has committed to send a delegation of 6-10 people - so please let Paul Barber know if you wish to join us and please register at this event link: <https://events.humanitix.com/living-wage-cities-assembly>

Working for Peace in Turbulent Times- - Social Justice Group Sunday 24th May 12-1pm

Peace Movement Aotearoa Coordinator Edwina Hughes will join us online to discuss the recent release of the global military spending figures from Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) and what this means for Aotearoa New Zealand in the upcoming government Budget announcements and well as actions we as a Peace Church can take to support work for peace and justice internationally. <https://www.facebook.com/PeaceMovementAotearoa/posts/1419085846915210>

Library News

The good news is that Pauline and Tony will be looking after the library while I am away. Thankyou both.

Also - last Sunday I played Skye Boat Song during service but alas made a few disappointing muck ups. It can be painful for a musician to make muck ups in performance! If you want to hear it played better you can follow this link

[Skype boat Song - Traditional Scottish - arranged by Gary Rayn for solo guitar. Intro by MWR](#)

or search youtube for

Mike Wespel-Rose Skye Boat Song

Thanks for indulging me in this. I wont make a habit of it.

I wonder if Jesus ever wished he could have another go at something because he felt he had mucked something up a bit?

Mike Wespel-Rose

RECYCLING AT ST ANDREW'S

You can drop off the following items for recycling in the North Vestry:

- Plastic lids and some other small plastics
- Metal and aluminium lids
- Beverage cartons (Tetra Pak)
- Used pens
- Household metal items
- Empty printer cartridges and rubber bands.

An information sheet with full details and directions for preparing your items is available in the North Vestry. Thank you for keeping your waste out of landfill.

Happy recycling!

RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Household batteries can be dropped off for FREE in Wellington at the following libraries: Te Matapihi ki te Ao Nui (Wellington Central Library), Karori Library, Kilbirnie Library, Island Bay Community Centre, Newlands Community Centre, Tawa Community Centre, and the Southern Landfill Tip Shop. There are also three battery recycling points in Hutt City: War Memorial Library, Eastbourne Neighbourhood Hub and Naenae Neighbourhood Hub.

SUNDAY ROSTERS

A folder with copies of each duty and current roster sheets are kept on the table in the North Vestry. 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	Maxine Cunningham and Sonia Groes-Petrie
Sound	Simon Miller
Laptop	Hamish Dick
Offering	Paul Franken and Lynette Burrell
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier (CG), Janet Horncy and Aaron Cook
Family Time	Rev Dr Jim Cunningham
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musicians	Kristina Zuelicke and Anastasia Bell
Service Leader	Rev Dr Jim Cunningham

On duty May 31st

Welcoming	Sandra and Tony Kirby
Sound	Tania Penafiel-Bermudez
Laptop	Cam Smart
Offering	Katrina Harper and Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Jenn Keenan, Hannah Garty and Ata Burr
Family Time	Frank Cook (CG)
Readings	Anna Smith
Prayers of the People	Ellen Murray
Rainbow Room	Caroline Korybut
Library	Closed
Musician	Ephraim Wilson
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday May 24th 10:00am: Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Jim Cunningham followed by Social Justice Education Group

Wednesday May 27th 10:30am: Cuppa and Chat

12:15pm: Lunchtime Concert – NZSM Cello Ensemble

Sunday May 31st: Sunday Gathering led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

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 (Quarterly)
- 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	Pat Booth
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	Sara Rokni (acting)
Centre Assistant	Sara Rokni
Facilities Assistant(s)	Fynn Neeley-Grant, Isabella Oakley, Cooper Neeley-Grant, Oliver Hope

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