



ORDER OF SERVICE

11 October 2026

PENTECOST 20

THY KINGDOM COME

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 Ross Scott

Today's organ music is Bach's Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor.

PRELUDE

Variations 14 - 16 of the Passacaglia in C minor

by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus went into the temple, unrolled a scroll and read:

the Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

for he has appointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released,

that the blind will see,

that the oppressed will be set free

and that the time of the Lord's favour has come.

SILENCE

GATHERING

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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)***

WELCOME

Kia ora tatou

Kia ora

Talofa lava

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

The Jesus way is to confront injustice.

The Jesus way is to challenge laws and disregard traditions that marginalise and discriminate against people

The Jesus way is to celebrate people who rise above the cultural norms that dehumanise others

The Jesus way is to celebrate whenever we see people who demonstrate 'love of enemy' as much as 'love of friend'.

The Jesus way is to smile and weep tears of appreciation when we see people that treat the least among us as our neighbour to be loved.

For Jesus's love was unconditional. Love that respected the humanity of the men and women he encountered.

The Jesus way is to love each one of us.

And today we can say the Jesus way is to stand, sit and dine with the marginalised of society,

to hear their stories of discrimination, rejection, and the damaged self-esteem that comes as a result of being marginalised.

Then the Jesus way is to bring the transformation of our society.

Amen

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

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

And now children you may go to the Rainbow space.
We bless you. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

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

THE WORD IN TEXTS

Tony Kirby

Hebrew Bible

Exodus 32:1-14

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

(The not so) CONTEMPORARY READING

by St Ambrose

It is not from your own possessions that you are bestowing charity upon the poor, but you are restoring to them what is theirs by right. For what was given to every one for the use of all, you have taken for your own exclusive use. Thus, far from giving lavishly, you are but paying part of your debt.

RESPONSE

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

HYMN

'Away and in Danger'

Carol of the Refugee Child Words: Shirley Murray

Tune CRADLE SONG WOV 242

1. Away and in danger, no hope of a bed,
the refugee children, no tears left to shed
look up at the night sky for someone to know,
that refugee children have no place to go.
2. The babies are crying, their hunger awakes,
the boat is too loaded, it shudders and breaks;
humanity's wreckage is thrown out to die,
the refugee children will never know why.
3. Come close, little children, we hold out our hand
in rescue and welcome to shores of our land—
in aroha, touching your fear and your pain,
with dreams for your future when peace comes again

REFLECTION

'Thy Kingdom Come'

Ross Scott

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Variations 17 - 21 of Bach's Passacaglia

HYMN

WOV 558 "When I needed a neighbour"

Words and music: Sydney Carter © Stainer & Bell Ltd

1. When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there?
When I needed a neighbour, were you there?
Chorus
*And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter.
Were you there?*
2. I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?
Chorus
*And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter.
Were you there?*

3. When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there?

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter.

Were you there?

4. Wherever you travel, I'll be there, I'll be there.

Wherever you travel, I'll be there.

Chorus

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter.

I'll be there?

OFFERING MUSIC

Variations 5 - 7 of Bach's Passacaglia

OFFERING HYMN

AA36 'Every day I will offer you'

Words © Shirley Murray Music © 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!

OFFERING PRAYER

All that we are, and all that we have, and all that we may become,
comes from this planet, from God.

For we are made from its dust.

So we bring these offerings and our fabulous-selves
to bring restoration to our relationships with ourselves,
with each other
and with all of creation.

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 and visitors are welcomed. 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

Sonia Groes-Petrie

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of Belarus and we pray for the Russian Orthodox church in Belarus and throughout the world. 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 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.*

1. Who is this man who gathered people to him
and touched their lives along each dusty way,
who spoke to all with passion and with peacefulness
and valued all their ordinary days.
Who is this man, who at the day's long ending,
would draw apart to wait on God and pray?
Who in the mystery that knows no ending,
would find God's wisdom and would know God's words to say?
2. Who is this man who gave to women dignity
in partnership of worth and equal grace?
Who listened to the stories that they told him, and honoured each,
whatever was their place:
who let them choose to come and join his company
and learned with them God's love of every race,
who showed to each the courage of their nature
to care and tend each lonely and each suffering face.
3. Who is this man, who spoke to men of gentleness
and showed them all the children at his side:
who taught of love and justice for all people,
and took a towel and washed away their pride?
In him they saw the strength of truth and mercy,
and how he trusted God to be his guide,
knew how he led them through misunderstanding,
and then forgave them when they ran away to hide.
4. Who is this man who calls us now to follow,
a shadow presence asking us to be
companions on the way through this life journey,
to live in truth, to set our tired world free?
So, let us find each other now in partnership,
with ears to hear and eyes awake to see,
that we might grow in grace and understanding,
and walk beside that man who comes from Galilee.

BLESSING

THREEFOLD SUNG AMEN

POSTLUDE

The Fugue of Bach's Passacaglia

THANK YOU

to our musician today
Bruce Cash

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AUDIO REFLECTIONS

Sunday reflections are usually available on our website.

<http://www.standrews.org.nz/category/sunday-gathering>

We welcome all visitors and invite you to stay for morning tea or coffee.

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

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY NOTICES

Election Issues: Thriving in this Land- a three-part series on Treaty, economic and climate justice

Where? St Andrews Centre, Conference Room 3

When? 11.30 - 1pm Sundays 11th, 18th & 25th October

Over the next three Sundays the Exploring Faith and Social Justice groups combine for three election-focused sessions based on the 'Thriving in this Land' workshop series created by Common Grace Aotearoa designed to help us join the dots between following Jesus and some of the big issues New Zealand is facing. Across three 90-minute open and collaborative sessions, we'll explore how as a nation we can address poverty and the cost of living, respond to our unstable climate, and honour the Treaty. We'll engage with theology, and hear from experts and people on the ground. We'll discuss how to work towards a nation where everyone has enough, our earth is protected, and our promises are kept. We'll watch a short video that introduces [Thriving in this Land here](#). Join us for one or all of the sessions.

Session 1:**The Treaty** 11th October, Session 2:**The Climate** 18th October, Session 3:**The Cost of Living** 25th October. Let us know if you are coming so we can plan for numbers. Pat Booth (Exploring Faith) and Paul Barber (Social Justice Group)

EATING FOR THE PLANET

November is World Vegan Month and the Sustainability Group is planning to have a focus during the month on Eating for the Planet. We are producing a collection of tasty vegan recipes to encourage everyone in the congregation to take part. If you have one or more favourite vegan recipes you would like to share, please email them to me: annamsmith6012@gmail.com. - Anna Smith, Sustainability Group

SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

A visit to my sister and her family last weekend reminded me of the joy of repurposing. My sister has been making a patchwork quilt for my niece from the offcuts of her favourite, well-worn clothes — clothes that were too worn to be passed on to another child. The quilt will carry not only a new purpose for the fabric, but also many happy memories.

It made me reflect on how repurposing and mending, once such a normal part of everyday life, have become less common in our throwaway culture — particularly when it comes to textiles.

When I was in Dunedin in June, I was fortunate to visit an exhibition, Boro – Timeworn Textiles of Japan:

<https://tuhura.nz/whats-on/boro-timeworn-textiles-of-japan>

Boro is a traditional Japanese practice of layering, patching and mending worn clothing and bedding. Originating in rural northern Japan, garments were repaired and reused across generations, sometimes until the original fabric was almost completely hidden beneath layers of patches. The textiles told stories of resourcefulness, care and connection — qualities that seem especially worth remembering today.

Closer to home, the Sew Good Collective at Common Unity in the Hutt Valley meets each week to repurpose donated fabrics and textiles “into brand new useful and beautiful things”:

<https://commonunityproject.org.nz/pages/sew-good-collective?srsId=AU7gw4UbjgWeGMMcv3PdOdaetoHHOdHGGbV-dYz4czpmo Wacnrgmijt>

Perhaps we could share some of the ways repurposing is alive and well in our own homes and communities. What have you repaired, reused or transformed rather than thrown away?

- Sonia Groes-Petrie, Sustainability Group

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Dear everybody,

St Andrews has a long relationship with Amnesty International and letter writing on behalf of the unjustly repressed and imprisoned. I have been running this activity for a few years with the help of John Morgan. But when he passed I parked the group for a while. More recently, having run into some Wellington Amnesty people, I have decided on an Amnesty resurrection, which has been approved by the Parish Council. The following is how I see things proceeding for now.

1. I will report on any significant Amnesty News I receive – through our e-news.
2. On World Human Rights day- 10 December – from 10 am until 2 pm – I will organize letter writing materials on tables at the back of the church and also have an Amnesty Stall out front of the church on the Terrace, to promote amnesty
3. On the Sunday before at Church, I will have Amnesty letter writing materials available on a table in the hall for people to engage with as they choose during morning tea.

It would be great if someone could join me in this activity. The main thing will be to help on the 10th December and also the Sunday before. Please come and see me if you have any questions, or are willing to help.

Many thanks

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.

DANCES OF UNIVERSAL PEACE

Monthly Dances of Universal Peace session second Saturdays at Centennial Community Hall Berhampore, 1.30-4.30pm.

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or text 0212422499

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	Jim and Maxine Cunningham
Sound	Tania Penafiel-Bermudez
Laptop	Sandra Kirby
Offering	Lynette Burrell, Kath Kerr
Coffee/tea	Vivienne Mountier Aaron Cook, Sally Gray
Family Time	Rosemary Lawrence
Readings	Tony Kirby
Prayers of the People	Sonia Groes-Petrie (CG)
Rainbow Room	
Library	
Musician	Bruce Cash
Service Leader	Rev Ross Scott

On duty October 18th

Welcoming	Brian and Lynette Burrell
Sound	Sue Hirst
Laptop	Sue Hirst (CG)
Offering	Jenn Keenan, Bridget Martin
Coffee/tea	Maxine and Jim Cunningham, Janet Horncy
Family Time	Frank Cook (CG)
Readings	John Harper
Prayers of the People	Pat Booth
Rainbow Room	
Library	
Musician	Peter Franklin
Service Leader	Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday October 11th 10:00am Congregational Service led by Ross Scott followed by Exploring Faith and Social Justice Education groups on Election Issues: The Treaty.

Wednesday October 14th 10:30am: Cuppa and Chat

12:15pm: Lunchtime Concert – Amanda Bunting and Kris Zuelicke, Solos and Duets for Piano

Sunday October 18th 10:00am Congregational Service led by Rev Dr Fei Taule'ale'ausumai followed by Exploring Faith and Social Justice Education groups on Election Issues: The Climate.

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	Ataga'i (Ata) Burr
Church Music Coordinator	Vacant
Eco Church Coordinator	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Faith in Action Coordinator	Paul Barber
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Vacant
Roster Coordinator	Pam Fuller
Concert Coordinator	Kristina Zuelicke
Centre Manager	Adelina Reis
Office Administrator	Sara Rokni
Centre Assistant	Hannah Gaisford
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