

# *St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton*



*Speak up – or stay quiet?*

*27 April 2025*

*9.30am Kiwi Service – Rev Dr Lydia Johnson*

*Organ: Phyllipa Fraser*

*11.30am Korean Service – Rev Tae Ju Ham*

## St Andrew's Mission

To worship and work with God  
in the world



## St Andrew's Vision

A bridge to the city ...  
where love and friendship meet

This service is streamed on

<https://www.facebook.com/St.AndrewsPresbyterianHamilton>

*Welcome to worship; Kia ora tatou; 환영합니다;  
Akwaaba; An-nyeoung ha-se-yo?; Banuram; Bula Vinaka; Emedi o;  
Kedu! Nnool; Kia orana; Malo e lelei; Namaste; Nimen hao;  
Salaam; Talofa lava; Vanakkam; Welkom*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

*Welcome to worship*

*Hymn\* – God Defend New Zealand (AA 51, tune WOV 677)*

**God of nations, at Thy feet  
In the bonds of love we meet  
Hear our voices we entreat  
God defend our free land!  
Guard Pacific's triple star  
From the shafts of strife and war  
Make her praises heard afar  
God defend New Zealand!**

**E Ihoa Atua  
O nga Iwi Matoura  
Ata whaka rongona  
Me aroha noa  
Kia hua ko te pai  
Kia tau to atawhai  
Manaakitia mai  
Aotearoa**

Alleluia Aotearoa 51  
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Thomas Bracken, John Woods

*Call to worship (Psalm 150)*

**Praise for God's Surpassing Greatness**

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in His sanctuary;

**praise Him in His mighty firmament!**

Praise Him for His mighty deeds;

**praise Him according to His surpassing greatness!**

Praise Him with trumpet sound;

**praise Him with lute and harp!**

Praise Him with tambourine and dance;

**praise Him with strings and pipe!**

Praise Him with clanging cymbals;

**praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!**

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord!**

*Hymn\** – Jesus, Stand Among Us (SS 30, tune York WOV 637)

*Gathering prayer*

God of love, we know that You speak to us in many different ways:  
You speak to us in the depth of our being, You speak through Your  
written word, You speak to us through other people, You speak  
through creation, through the events of history and through the  
circumstances of our lives.

Often though, we are not tuned in to listen to Your voice.

**May we learn to listen for Your voice of Love.  
Help us to experience You as the Word of Life.**

*Confession and affirmation*

Loving God, we thank You for the gift of voice:  
the gifts of speaking and hearing.

We confess that we do not always use our voices  
in life affirming ways.

**We use words to build ourselves up at the expense of others.  
We twist the truth by only telling part of the story.  
We use our tone of voice to shut others down.**

We confess that often we do not pay attention  
when we listen to the voices of others.

**We devalue others by not valuing their words.  
We make assumptions about what is going to be said  
before a word has been spoken.  
We put our own priorities before the gift  
of paying attention to another.**

We confess that sometimes we are too ready to speak,  
or too reluctant.

There is a time to speak and a time to remain silent  
– and often we get it wrong.

**Sometimes we are too quick to speak  
and what we say is unhelpful.  
Sometimes we remain silent  
– too afraid to say the words need to be spoken.**

Loving God

We know that You are a God who speaks and a God who listens.  
You know us better than we know ourselves.  
Thank You for the forgiveness You freely offer.

The Lord's Prayer

Planet-spinning God,  
pain-bearing Christ, energising Spirit,  
You are special beyond all knowing.

**We long for Your commonwealth of peace  
and truth to materialise  
here on this earth we inhabit.**

We long for good to be achieved  
in our politics, society and families.

**We want each one on earth  
to be well fed and clothed and housed every day.**

We want the hurtful things we do to each other  
**to be healed, each showing the other forgiveness**  
so those who war are reconciled,  
relationships are restored  
**and all united under the rainbow of Your promise.**

May we not be stretched beyond our limits  
**so evil overcomes our best intentions.**

For Yours is the rule of love  
**whose power can transform the world,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*Welcome, notices and community time*

*Children's moment (video)*

*Choir – Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen (arr. Charles Mandor)*

*Bible reading (Chris Grocott) – Acts 5:27–32 (NRSV)*

*Hymn\* – All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord (WOV 367, tune Lucius)*

*Sermon (Rev Dr Lydia Johnson)*

– Speak Up or Stay Quiet? A Post-Easter Call

*Hymn\* – Song of Faith that Sings Forever (FFS 57, tune Abbeyfield)*



*Dedication of offering*

Gracious and loving God,  
every good and perfect gift comes from You.  
**You have blessed us abundantly,  
and it is with thankful hearts  
that we give back a portion of what You have given to us.**

Bless and multiply them, Lord,  
**that they may be used to build Your kingdom,  
feed the hungry, comfort the broken,  
and share the good news of Jesus Christ.**  
To bring hope to the hurting, and light to the darkness,  
**bless every giver and guide  
the stewardship of these offerings  
that Your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Prayers for others (David Barrowclough)*

*Hymn\** – We Sing a Love (CH4 622, tune Woodlands WOV 109)

*Benediction* – Go Now in Peace (video)

**Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true  
Know He will guide you in all you do**

**Go now in love, and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see  
God will be there watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love**

**Amen, amen, amen**

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*Following the worship service, organists usually  
play a postlude (music as we exit). You are welcome  
to stay seated in your pew to listen to it played  
through. Equally, please feel free to leave the church  
for your other commitments.*



**Lectionary  
Readings**



**4 May 2025**

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Ps 30

Rev 5:11-14

Jn 21:1-19



## *THIS IS A BRIDGE*

Our quarterly newsletter is  
**The Bridge**

Your contributions to the Winter edition  
are due by **Sunday 11 May**  
so we can produce the newsletter  
before we go away three days later

Thank you

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### ***A MULTICULTURAL YOUTH SERVICE***

... is held weekly on **Sundays** in the **Media Room in The Link** from **11.30am**. This service is for those who are younger – from Year 7 to young adults.

They also have a range of other fun activities at other times.

This is a great space to make friends and journey together with others in learning about our Christian faith.

Any questions – please contact Rev Daniel  
on 021 415 204.



### **'Like' us on Facebook!**



We would like to encourage you to 'Like'  
St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton's Facebook  
page (<http://tiny.cc/FBStAndrewsHnNZ>). The more  
'Like's we get, the more people get to know about  
St Andrew's.

# THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

## Monday 28 April

9.30am Mini Movers

## Tuesday 29 April

10.00am Bowls group

## Thursday 1 May

11.15am *Let's Pray* prayer group in the church lounge

## Friday 2 May

5.00pm Proud Pray-ers

## Sunday 4 May

9.30am Kiwi communion service

11.30am Korean service

11.30am Multicultural Youth service in The Link

***Masks are not required. If you choose to wear one, your decision is respected.***

Rosters	27 April	4 May
Service Elder	Butch Rothman	Ross Williams
Convenor	Rianna Rothman	Beryl Williams
Door duty	Peter Bayne	Neville Woodcock
Finance	Butch & Rianna Rothman	Bea Brazendale
AV Operator	Ross Williams	Peter Gault
Streaming Operator	Jerome Chuang	Daniel Foo
Organ/Piano	Phyllipa Fraser	Phyllipa Fraser
Bible Reader	Chris Grocott	Ruth Barrowclough
Intercessory Prayer	David Barrowclough	Marian Carmichael
Morning Tea	Chris Grocott & Chris Walker	Jerome & Maria Chuang

## Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

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## 2 Corinthians 9:7 – God loves a cheerful giver (NKJV)

St Andrew's depends on the generous giving of members and friends.

If you would like to make a donation, our church BNZ bank account details are:

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church - Hamilton      02-0316-0046144-000  
(Please include your Name or Giving Number in the Reference)

If you would like to use planned giving, please contact the Church Office (ph 854 9737)



**Health & Safety**  
Please note where the Exits  
and Evacuation Point are located



## LINK HOUSE FOOD BANK

Link House would very much appreciate **Pasta, carbs and sauces** during **May**, to help out the single parents in food crisis. This might include dry pasta, rice, macaroni elbows, spaghetti, flour and instant noodles. Also very welcome are accompaniments such as tinned tomatoes, pasta sauces, and sachets. These are suggestions but you can, of course, bring other sorts of long-life food if you wish. If you have surplus fresh fruit or veges, please phone Link House on 839 1051 to see if your produce could be of immediate use and make direct arrangements with them.



Our collection basket is in the foyer as you come in for worship. Please bag items in paper bags, if necessary, not plastic. We have one plea: food packaging needs to be original and unopened.

Thanks!

*Social and Ecumenical  
Action Committee*



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**Deadline  
for bulletin notices:  
Wednesday (9.00am)**