

# *St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton*

*Love*  
**IS NOT  
VIOLENT**



You can stop violence towards women

*16 November 2025  
White Ribbon Sunday*

*9.30am Kiwi Service – Rev Kelly Gilson  
Organ: Trevor Gibbs*

*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 (hwan-yeonghabnida);  
An-nyeoung ha-se-yo?; Akwaaba; Banuram; Bula Vinaka;  
Emedi o; Kedu! Nnoo; Kia orana; Malo e lelei; Namaste;  
Nimen hao; Salaam; Talofa lava; Welkom*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

### *Call to worship and confession (Iona Community)*

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

One God, in perfect community, look now on us, who look to You ...

**And hear our prayer for our community:**

Where there is falseness ...

**Smother it by Your truth;**

Where there is any coldness ...

**Kindle the flame of Your love;**

Where there is joy and hope ...

**Free us to share it together;**

Where there is something we should do for others ...

**Make us discontent until it is done.**

And make us one ...

**As You are one.**

Before God and you who are near me, I release anything

I hold against you. I regret all I have done to harm you.

I stand beside the wrong in my life and ask God's forgiveness.

**Before God and the people gathered here, we release  
anything we hold against you. We regret all we have done  
to harm you. We stand beside the wrong in our lives  
and ask God's forgiveness.**

*[Silence]*

The Lord Jesus Christ says to us, each one: "Go and sin no more,  
come and follow Me." Now, Lord Jesus, bind our hands  
with honesty, as we offer them to each other  
and as we offer our prayers to You.

*Hymn\* – Just As I Am (CH4 553i, tune Saffron Walden WOV 497i)*

*Prayer of thanksgiving*

*Recite – The Lord's Prayer*

*Welcome, notices and community time*

*Choir – He is Exalted*

*Children's moment*

*Hymn\* – Teach Us, O Loving Heart of Christ*  
(AA 130, tune Horsley WOV 266)

*Bible reading (Marian Carmichael)*  
– Luke 21:7-19 (NRSV)

*Sermon – The Opportunity to Testify*

*Offertory hymn\* – A Touching Place (CH4 724, tune Dream Angus)*

*Dedication of the offering\**

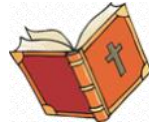
*Prayers for others (Ruth Harlow)*

*Hymn\* – Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go (CH4 646, tune Duke Street)*

*Benediction*

**May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and forever more. Amen.**

## Lectionary Readings



**23 November 2025**

Jer 23:1-6

Lk 1:68-79

Col 1:11-20

Lk 23:33-43

## The Bridge

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*What you contribute.*

**Note to self –**

*Write something before  
16 November*

*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.*

**Summer**

**NEWSLETTER 2025**

## *Youth Group*

**Friday 21 November at 6.00pm**

St Andrews youth normally meet on the fourth Friday of the month but this month they will meet on Friday 21 November from 6.00pm to 8.00pm in the Mary Bryant Commons.



## *Women's Group*

**Thursday 27 November at 6.30pm**

The end of the year is rapidly approaching and, as is our custom, we will meet to share a Festive Dinner together in the home of Margaret and Peter Gault, 37 Kakanui Road, Hillcrest.

Partners are very welcome. Please bring a festive plate (of food) to share; drinks are BYO (bring your own).



To facilitate food planning, please indicate what you hope to provide to Margaret (ph 856 3923) or Chris (mob 021 460 834).

Looking forward to being together.

*Margaret and Chris*

## *Announcing Advent*

**Sunday 30 November at 7.00 pm**

You are invited to join us  
for an hour of enjoyable organ  
and choral music for Advent

Any koha/donations will go towards the  
remaining refurbishment costs of the  
Croft pipe organ



# THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

## Monday 17 November

9.30am Mini Movers

## Tuesday 18 November

10.00am Bowls group

## Thursday 20 November

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

7.30pm Resource Management committee meeting

## Friday 21 November

6.00pm Youth group in the Mary Bryant Commons

## Saturday 22 November

11.00am Choir practice

## Sunday 23 November

9.30am Kiwi service

11.30am Korean service

11.30am Multicultural Youth service

### Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

Elaine Riddell  
(mob 027 489 6938, email  
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| Rosters             | 16 November            | 23 November                                   |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Service Elder       | Pauline Milroy         | Graeme Kitto                                  |
| Convenor            | Jerome Chuang          | Lalita Hari                                   |
| Door duty           | Maria Chuang           | Pandelis Dodanis                              |
| Finance             | Helen & Bryce Hopkins  | Bea Brazendale                                |
| AV Operator         | David Roberts          | Peter Gault                                   |
| Streaming Operator  | Asif Babar             | Butch Rothman                                 |
| Organ/Piano         | Trevor Gibbs           | Phyllipa Fraser                               |
| Bible Reader        | Marian Carmichael      | Margaret Gault                                |
| Intercessory Prayer | Ruth Harlow            | Rev Alistair McBride                          |
| Morning Tea         | Butch & Rianna Rothman | Ruth & David Barrowclough<br>and Chris Walker |

### '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.

# White Ribbon Sunday

Sunday 16 November 2025

(The International Day is on 25 November annually)

Love  
is **NOT**  
VIOLENT



100 Years



You can stop violence towards women

**Shine** Shine Domestic Violence 24/7 Helpline – Toll-free: 0508 744 633.  
Online chat and further info at [www.2shine.org.nz](http://www.2shine.org.nz).

**Shine is a service of Presbyterian Support Northern**

## YOU CAN HELP SOMEONE WHO'S BEING ABUSED OR EVEN SAVE A LIFE

Don't hold back,  
talk with them,  
listen and offer  
to help.

Have these conversations in private,  
don't share what they've told you  
without their agreement. If someone  
is in immediate danger – ring 111.

Learn to look for  
the signs of  
family violence  
[2shine.org.nz](http://2shine.org.nz)

Provide a safe place for  
neighbourhood or  
family members' children  
after school

For help contact  
**Shine** on **0508 744 633**  
or your local  
**Family Works** office  
[familyworks.org.nz](http://familyworks.org.nz)

Don't feel you need to  
'solve' the problem. It can  
take time for people to be  
ready to take steps towards  
safety. Go at their pace.

Victims of abuse often become  
isolated because of their partner's  
behaviour. The most important thing  
is to be there for them. Build a  
relationship so they can trust you.



The fruit of the Spirit is love ... (Galatians 5:22)

The PCANZ White Ribbon Ambassador is Rev Hana Popea:  
<https://www.presbyterian.org.nz/speaking-out/what-we-believe/family-violence>

# New art in the Gilbert Gallery in The Link



## VICKI JONES

Vicki Jones is a Waikato artist who discovered printmaking after attending a 2022 harakeke papermaking workshop with Whanganui printmaker Marty Vreede. Marty shared the diverse world of printmaking and Vicki has enjoyed exploring that diversity ever since, particularly through the excellent tutoring offered by the Waikato Society of Arts. Her printmaking also draws on her previous work in watercolour, coloured pencil and botanical art.

Vicki mostly works within the Intaglio family of printmaking techniques, especially etching with its ability to show fine detail and line work. Nature forms the basis of much of her work, but she also appreciates the role of printmaking in addressing social issues.

Vicki is a member of Waikato Society of Arts, the Print Council of Aotearoa New Zealand (PCANZ), and the Botanical Art Society of New Zealand (BASNZ). She enjoys her role as PCANZ Hamilton representative.

All prints are available for purchase. Please make enquiries directly to Vicki; all details are on the wall in the Gilbert Gallery. (Some unframed prints may also be available; enquiries welcome.)

### **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)



Strength Today.   
Hope for Tomorrow.

As Christmas approaches, many of us look forward to time with loved ones — a season of warmth, joy, and togetherness. **But for families spending this time in hospital, it can be a season marked by uncertainty and loneliness.**

Molly\* is a young mother who recently spent several weeks by her baby's side in the neonatal unit. Her baby was suffering from withdrawal, and Molly was

confronting the impact of her past struggles with drug addiction. Through the quiet, steady support of hospital chaplain Rosemary, she found comfort, courage, and hope for a new beginning.

**Molly's story is just one example of the compassionate ministry chaplains offer every day in hospitals across Aotearoa.** They step into the spaces where people are most vulnerable — listening, encouraging, praying, and helping families rediscover hope in the midst of hardship.

This year's Christmas campaign, **Strength Today. Hope for Tomorrow.** invites you to stand with us in this work. Your support will help ensure that families in hospital do not face these moments alone — and that the care offered by chaplains continues to make a difference in your local community.

**You can find more information on our website:**

[www.hospitalchaplaincy.org.nz/church-christmas-appeal](http://www.hospitalchaplaincy.org.nz/church-christmas-appeal)



**Hospital Chaplaincy**  
AMOKAPUA HOHIERA  
AOTEAROA

Your generosity helps chaplains  
walk alongside families in  
hospital this Christmas.

**Scan to give or learn more:**

[www.hospitalchaplaincy.org.nz/help-families-this-christmas](http://www.hospitalchaplaincy.org.nz/help-families-this-christmas)

  
SCAN ME



# Sharing Your Faith

"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. John 1:46

The puzzle is based on John 1:43-51



I U X I S R A E L K H N E N L  
R B J Q W D G R J B P I O K J  
A Q W O Z J R A X Q N W N J S  
L Q N X R Z A G L A N D R E W  
O K X U R G I W E I K F L A E  
Q H Q E Y B P M M M L S U B S  
J A T Z B I O K K E J E S U S  
F E W A L C N R G H X F E H T  
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TREE  
GALILEE  
PHILIP

PETER  
KING  
RABBI

COME  
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CALLED  
NAZARETH  
JESUS

NATHANAEL  
ANDREW  
ISRAEL



2025 CONCERT FOUR

# SOUNDS OF SPLENDOUR

CONDUCTED BY ELISE BRADLEY, MNZM

SUNDAY 7 DECEMBER, 5:00 PM

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HAMILTON

a CHRISTMAS CONCERT of classical and living composers  
feat. Chilcott's MARY, MOTHER and many seasonal favourites



**More information may be found on the noticeboards  
in the Mary Bryant Commons  
and between the Fellowship Lounge & Media Room**

## ***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.

Any questions – please contact Rev Yo Han  
on 020 444 4161.





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



## LINK HOUSE FOOD BANK

**For Sunday 2, 9 and 16 November** we are suggesting **"Fishy Business"** as the theme for St Andrew's food basket – such as canned tuna, sardines or mackerel. Alternatively, **"Carbohydrates: Not Pasta!"** – things like couscous, rice noodles, instant mash and grain mixes (eg, quinoa or rice), adds Angela the social worker.

**For the four weeks from 23 November until Sunday 14 December inclusive**, we'd like to encourage you to take up the theme of **"Christmas Treats"**. Your contributions might include tinned pineapple and other fancy fruits, bottles of grape juice, chocolates, lollies and chippies, crackers, nuts, a commercial Christmas cake, mince pies ... Staff will make up special hampers customised for each family. Your food can certainly help to brighten their Christmas tables. Please bring long-life items, with unopened original packaging.

You can, of course, gift any other sort of food, instead. 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.

We advise use of paper bags, not plastic. St Andrew's collection basket is in the foyer as you come in for worship. Your help is much appreciated.



*Social and Ecumenical Action Committee*

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Streamed Kiwi service: <https://www.facebook.com/St.AndrewsPresbyterianHamilton>

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