

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton



**Honouring
Our Stories**

26 April 2026

9.30am Kiwi Service – Rev Kelly Gilson

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 (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 (from Psalm 23)*

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil, for You are with me.

Your rod and Your staff – they comfort me.

You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy

shall follow me all the days of my life,

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Hymn – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (CH4 124, tune Lobe Den Herren)*

Prayer of thanksgiving and confession

Sing – The Lord's Prayer (WOV 676, tune Our Father)

Welcome, notices and community time

Children's moment

Hymn – Tell My People (AA 132)*

Bible reading (Ros Ramsbottom) – 1 Peter 2:4-10 (NRSV)

Sermon (Minister and Ruth Harlow) – Honouring Our Stories

Sing (in Maori and English) – God Defend New Zealand (tune WOV 677)*

*Offertory hymn** – Christ is Made the Sure Foundation
(CH4 200, tune Westminster Abbey WOV 343ii)

*Dedication of the offering**

Prayers for others (Rev Alistair McBride)

*Hymn** – In the Cross of Christ I Glory (CH4 397, tune Stuttgart WOV 265)

Benediction (Minister)*

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.

Special General Meeting – TODAY at 10.30am

The congregation is having a Special General Meeting today, immediately after the service. The business is to elect Ruth Eliatamby, Marilyn Orchard and Rell Sumner to Parish Council.

Alison Ringer, Parish Clerk



Mission Plan Working Group

This group is working on creating a mission plan for the next five years. We need some help! It is not as daunting as the words seem to imply. We're hoping that there will be two or three meetings of about an hour each time.

If you have any opinions about what our church could or should be doing, please join the MPWG.

Contact either Kelly or Alison.

Lectionary Readings



3 May 2026

Acts 7:55-60

Ps 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

Jn 14:1-14

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)

St Andrew's Parishioners – We Need Your Help

Our church finances are substantially boosted by income from customers who regularly use The Link. Unfortunately, there has been a reduction in usage resulting in less income to The Link.

Do you know of groups or companies who would like to use The Link for meetings? Maybe you have a family member who works for a company that have staff meetings or training days away from their workplace or office. The Link offers ideal facilities for such meetings.

The Resource Management Committee would appreciate you spreading the word and helping to attract new customers. Please contact The Link Manager, Ian Jamieson, (ph 07 855 3190) for further information.

Men's Gathering

Tuesday 28 April at 10.30am

Having been struck recently by a moon-beam, seemed like a good time to visit.

The women visited it and loved it. I've heard "Space Dave" speak at U3A and he was "out of this world".

Cost \$12 each – cheap at twice the price. Prepare for blast off!

Let's carpool from St Andrew's, departing 9.50am. Please let me know if you're coming.

Graeme Kitto (mob 021 0250 8565)

Talent Night

Saturday 16 May – 5.00pm to 8.00pm

in The Link

All are invited to our Talent Night. Please come and share a visual creation, song, poem, story, dance, or any other talent! Or come as an appreciative audience member!



As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost, let us celebrate our diverse gifts. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.

THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday 27 April (Anzac Day observed)

Tuesday 28 April

- 10.00am Bowls group
- 10.00am Craft group
- 10.30am Men's Gathering (see notice opposite)

Thursday 30 April

- 9.30am *Let's Pray* prayer group in church lounge

Friday 1 May

- 5.00pm Proud Pray-ers

Saturday 2 May

- 11.00am Choir practice

Sunday 3 May

- 9.30am Kiwi communion service
- 11.30am Korean service
- 11.30am Multiculture Youth service

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

Elaine Riddell
(mob 027 489 6938,
email
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Rosters	26 April	3 May
Service Elder	Ross Williams	Peter Bayne
Convenor	Beryl Williams	David Barrowclough
Door duty	Neville Woodcock	Bryan Kim
Finance	Butch & Rianna Rothman	Fraser Annals
AV Operator	Graeme Kitto	Peter Gault
Streaming Operator	Butch Rothman	Jerome Chuang
Organ/Piano	Phyllipa Fraser	Charles Mandor
Bible Reader	Ros Ramsbottom	Gul Pervaiz
Intercessory Prayer	Rev Alistair McBride	Elaine Riddell
Morning Tea	Ruth & David Barrowclough	Butch & Rianna Rothman and Shagufta Babar

'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.



PRESENTS

BAROQUE TO BLESSED LIGHT

AN ENCHANTING EVENING FEATURING:

VIVALDI'S *GLORIA*
PERGOLESI'S *STABAT MATER*
FAURE'S *IN PARADISUM*

Conducted by Kolitha Jayatunge

7pm, Saturday 9 May 2026

St Peter's Cathedral, 51 Victoria Street, Hamilton

Tickets: Adult \$35, Concession \$30, Student \$20, Child (aged 12 and under) Free. Available from info@cantando.org.nz or choir members

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Faithworks - Creation Care Workshops

Faithworks invites you to attend these creation care workshops – 9 May **Being an Eco-Church** from 9.00am-12.00noon for adults, and **Read, Weed, Pray** for youth (ages 12-18) from 12.00noon-2.00pm (lunch provided); both led by Millie Vette, Regional Co-ordinator of Eco-Church A Rocha Aotearoa.

During the morning workshop, a children's creation care programme (ages 6-12) will be provided (plus childcare for pre-schoolers, if requested) to enable parents to attend. The venue is St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton East.

A koha of \$10 or \$20 for families is suggested. Register by 4 May at help@faithworkshamilton.com.

Cash Flow Summary – March 2026

Below are the inwards and outwards cash flows for March 2026.

\$57,975 cash revenue was received in March 2026

\$42,355	from donations
\$15,179	from The Link
\$441	from other income

\$51,220 cash was outlaid in March 2026

\$33,375	on stipends, salaries and rent
\$2,410	on national and presbytery monthly levies
\$155	on outreach (\$155 pledged monthly to CWS and Presbyterian Support)
\$8,211	for regular monthly expenses (eg, cleaning, electricity, etc)
\$8,522	for other costs (eg, gardening, install handrails, etc)
Less (\$1,453)	from overheads recovery

Whenever outgoings exceed income, it is necessary to draw on cash reserves. On 31 March 2026, untagged cash reserves provisionally stood at around \$7,500.

2025-2026 EOY Donation Receipts

Printed receipts for those who do not have an email address, or who have requested a paper copy, may be collected from the church on Sunday or from the Church Office during the week.



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



LINK HOUSE FOOD BANK

A huge and heartfelt “THANK YOU” to the congregation of St Andrew’s for your ongoing donations of food. Please know that your generosity and regular contributions of everyday groceries makes a real difference in the lives of single parent whānau. Unless there is food to put on the table, families cannot begin to get on with working towards their bigger life goals. Unfortunately, but not unexpectedly, our social workers have noticed an uptick in demand for support from single parents, as they struggle to provide the basics to their children. The gifting of food is kindness in action.

The suggested **theme for May is canned goods**. Donations of tinned fruit and tomatoes, spaghetti and baked beans, tuna and salmon, would all be greatly appreciated. Other types of food are also needed: cereals, muesli bars, milk powder, crackers, biscuits, dried fruit, baking ingredients, pasta, rice and shelf-stable sauces. Items must be long-life, unopened and in the original packaging please. **Non-perishable food only**.

If you happen to have surplus fresh fruit or veges, please call Lou at Link House on 07 839 1051. She will let you know if your produce can be of immediate use.



If you need to bag items, paper bags are preferred. Our collection basket is in the foyer as you enter the church.



With sincere gratitude

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Multicultural Youth Minister

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The Link Manager (Mon to Fri 8.00am–5.00pm)

Ian Jamieson – ph 855 3190 (DDI)
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Church Office (Mon to Fri 9.00am–3.30pm)

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