

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton



19 July 2026

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 (from Psalm 139)*
– Were I to Cross from Land to Land (video)

Hymn – Christ Be Beside Me (CH4 577, tune Bunesan WOV 91)*

Prayer of thanksgiving and confession

Recite – The Lord's Prayer

Welcome, notices and community time

Choir – Living Hope

Poetry recitation (recited by Bruce Thompson)
– “Blood Bought” by David Bradley

Children's moment

Hymn – Great and Deep (AA 55, tune Brunel)*

Bible reading (English: Helen Hopkins, Bahasa: Daniel Foo)
– 1 Samuel 1:1-18 (NRSV)

Sermon – Hannah's Prayer

Offertory hymn – O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*
(CH4 557, tune St Margaret WOV 525)

*Dedication of the offering**

Prayers for others (Elaine Riddell)

Children's sharing moment

Hymn – Blessed Assurance*
(CH4 561, tune Justifying Grace UMH 369)

*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



26 July 2026

Gen 29:15-28

Ps 105:1-11, 45b
or Ps 128

Rom 8:26-39

Mt 13:31-33, 44-52

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.

A Food Fundraiser **TODAY at 10.30am**

Food is being sold today in The Link to raise funds for the Mission Trip to Tonga in August. Please support this fundraising event being held by the Korean congregation.

Kiwi-Korean Liaison Committee



**The Bible assures us
that the effectual fervent prayer
of the righteous avails much.
Elijah, Hannah, Daniel, and even Jesus Himself
show us the pattern:
pray with passion, persistence, and faith.
Prayer is not a weak religious exercise
– it is a mighty force
that brings heaven's will to earth.**

Women's Group

Tuesday 21 July at 11.30am

This year we are changing our winter lunch venue to the Hamilton Gardens Café. Familiar to you all and usually easy parking. Let's gather at the café entrance just before 11.30am

Margaret is away, so please arrange rides with one another. You are familiar with who needs transport and who to reach out to.

Looking forward to a relaxed time together. For booking purposes, please let me know if you are coming. Thanks.

Chris Grocott



On Saturday 25 July at 5.00 pm

**St Andrew's can celebrate the universal themes
embedded in M A T A R I K I:**

gathering to remember those who have died,
to share food with friends and family,
and to look to the future

Please contribute to the pot-luck meal

If possible, be prepared to tell a short story about "arrival"
(yours or your forebears, regardless of the "waka" (transport) used)

The 2026 national theme for Matariki
is Matariki Herenga Waka

– freely translated as the arrival of peoples (in Aotearoa)
from many places by various means at different times



THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday 20 July

NO Mini Movers

Tuesday 21 July

- 10.00am Bowls group
- 10.30am Christian Education committee meeting
- 11.30am Women's group meet at Hamilton Gardens Café
(see notice opposite)

Thursday 23 July

- 9.30am *Let's Pray* prayer group in church lounge
- 7.30pm Resource Management committee meeting

Saturday 25 July

- 11.00am Choir practice
- 5.00pm Celebrating Matariki (see notice opposite)

Sunday 26 July

- 9.30am Kiwi Family service
- 11.30am Korean service
- 11.30am Multicultural Youth service



Rosters	19 July	26 July
Service Elder	Ross Williams	Pauline Milroy
Convenor	Beryl Williams	Chris Walker
Door duty	Neville Woodcock	Dianne Alston
Finance	Helen & Bryce Hopkins	Fraser Annals
AV Operator	David Roberts	Ross Williams
Streaming Operator	Jerome Chuang	Daniel Foo
Organ/Piano	Trevor Gibbs	Phyllipa Fraser
Bible Reader	Helen Hopkins	Children
Intercessory Prayer	Elaine Riddell	Jim Findlay
Morning Tea	Chris Grocott, Chris Walker, & Sharon Ota	Beryl & Ross Williams

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(<http://tiny.cc/FBStAndrewsHnNZ>)

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

Elaine Riddell
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Multicultural Shared Lunch

Saturday 8 August at 12.00noon

in the Purdie Hall

Join us for our Multicultural Shared Lunch

Bring food for your family,
reflecting your culture, if desired

Fellowship and fun (something like that!)
ALL WELCOME.



Cash Flow Summary – June 2026

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

\$73,818 cash revenue was received in June 2026

\$51,086	from donations
\$22,732	from The Link
\$0	from other income

\$50,726 cash expenditure was outlaid in June 2026

\$36,086	on stipends, salaries and rent
\$2,410	on national and presbytery monthly levies
\$155	on outreach (\$155 pledged monthly to CWS and Presbyterian Support)
\$8,612	for regular monthly expenses (eg, cleaning, electricity, etc)
\$5,093	for other costs (eg, light fittings, tune organ, etc)
Less (\$1,513)	from overheads recovery

The net cash inflow for the month of June was \$23,092.

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 Yohan
on 020 444 4161.



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The Bridge

SURVEY

For many years, St Andrew's has produced a quarterly newsletter for parishioners. This is now sent by email, but printed copies are made available on request.

Parish Council is considering how St Andrew's should communicate with parishioners now there is a vacancy for an editor for The Bridge. Your feedback is requested by **22 July** so that this can be considered at the next Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 4 August.

Please respond

either by email until noon on **22 July** to office@standrewshamilton.org.nz

or in writing on Sunday 12 July or 19 July when a box will be available for replies.

Parish Council needs to know:

1. If the present arrangement (The Bridge) should be continued.
2. If NO, for you, what would be a preferred method of sharing information about St Andrew's? And how often?
3. If YES, what sorts of content should be continued and what sorts of content should be discontinued?
4. Regardless, what sort of content that has not been shared should be shared?
5. If The Bridge should simply be a record just of what has been happening, a repository of information for future histories of the parish.

Thank you in anticipation.

Alison Ringer

Parish Clerk

The Bridge SURVEY

1. Continue the present arrangement. YES / NO
2. (a) For me, I would prefer receiving shared information by _____

(b) How often would you prefer to receive this information?

3. (a) Continue to share: _____

(b) Discontinue this content: _____

4. "New" sorts of content that should be shared: _____

5. The Bridge should just contain a record of what has happened—an historical record. YES / NO

Any other comments:

Your name—OPTIONAL—not required: _____

Thank you.

The Bible Society has kindly provided this guide for reading and reflecting on the Gospel of Luke during July, Bible Month

Living The Gospel of Luke

One Chapter a Day

WEEK 4

Read. Reflect. Respond.
Read a chapter a day.
Pause for reflection.
Respond in prayer or a
simple act of faith.

As you read from the Gospel
of Luke, may you encounter
Jesus, be shaped by His
Word, and walk in simple
steps of faith each day.

Scan the QR code
Explore our free resources
created to help people of all
ages go deeper in
God's Word.



**Day
22**

Luke 17

Forgive as God forgives. Reflect on anyone you may need to forgive or reconcile with.

**Day
23**

Luke 18

Jesus taught us to pray without giving up. If even an unjust judge responds, how much more will our loving God hear His children? Don't grow weary in prayer.

**Day
24**

Luke 19

People welcomed Jesus with joy, spreading cloaks and praising God. Welcome Him into your day, let your heart, words, and actions honour Him.

**Day
25**

Luke 20

Trust God's authority and eternal plan. Reflect on how eternity shapes your priorities today.

**Day
26**

Luke 21

Stand firm in hope and trust, holding fast to your faith. How can you live with steadfast love and devotion, anticipating Christ's return?

**Day
27**

Luke 22

Remember Jesus. Take time to commune with Him, reflect on his devotion to you, and let His love inspire your day.

**Day
28**

Day of
Reflection

Which chapter or story most moved you this week? How does it impact your walk with God?

'THE VERSATILE PIPE ORGAN' **CONCERT**

MORRINSVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, July 19, 2026, 2 pm

GUEST ORGANIST:

David Brookes, ARSCM



**The programme will include two well known hymns for all to sing
and also a bracket of songs by the
Morrinsville Community Choir**

ENTRY BY DONATION

REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

*All welcome to come and enjoy this fun programme which will
show off the organ's versatile capabilities!*

The Morrinsville Methodist Pipe Organ was originally built in 1881 and is a part of the original Christchurch Anglican Cathedral organ. In the 1920s one third of it was installed at St Andrews on the Terrace at Wellington and in 1962 this part was installed at the Morrinsville Methodist Church. It consists of around 670 pipes and is known for its beautiful tone and has been greatly enjoyed by the congregation and the organists who have played it.

Glenis Westbury is the current organist and has been playing the organ for nearly 64 years.

Enquiries to Glenis Westbury, Phone 021 114 8611



**Thriving in this Land:
a three-part series on Treaty, Economic and Climate Justice**

'Thriving in this Land' is a 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.

Right now we have an opportunity to explore some of the big issues of our time and consider how God is calling us to respond.

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.

- Session 1: The Treaty – Sunday 2 August, 3.00pm-5.00pm
- Session 2: The Climate – Sunday 9 August, 3.00pm-5.00pm
- Session 3: The Cost of Living – Sunday 16 August, 3.00pm-5.00pm

Venue: Nawton Community Church, 73 Livingstone Avenue, Nawton

RSVP to: Adair Oosterbroek (adair.ooster@gmail.com, 022 461 9700)



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



LINK HOUSE FOOD BANK

Single Parent Services is extremely grateful for the ongoing support for our single-parent whānau provided by the congregation of St Andrew's. Your generosity continues to make a real and tangible difference. In a season where many households are stretched, your kindness helps parents in Hamilton keep their cupboards stocked and their tamariki well fed. When the basics are available, families can breathe a little easier and focus on thriving rather than simply getting by.

Our focus for **July** is **everyday pantry staples** for cooking and baking. Items such as flour, sugar, rice, pasta, cooking oil, salt, spices, baking powder, cocoa, tinned tomatoes, long-life milk, and other shelf-stable ingredients are especially helpful. These essentials allow families to prepare nourishing meals at home without added financial pressure. All donations must be non-perishable, unopened, and in their original packaging. Every contribution, large or small, is a practical expression of compassion. Thank you for continuing to uplift our community with your generosity.



If you happen to have surplus fresh fruit or veges, please call Lou at our office 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,
Social and Ecumenical Action Committee

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