

Guest Speakers

Prof **Martin Manning**

One Earth, One Future, One People

Dr **Emily Colgan**

*A Place to Call Home? Reading the Bible
from the Perspective of Earth*

Hon **Grant Robertson MP**

*People, environment, economy—
the triple bottom line*

Workshops

*Creating down to earth prayers—
Bronwyn White*

*Earthed! Progressive Funerals—
Rev Dr Jim Cunningham*

*Full immersion: Jungian slow release
from the Christian ties that bind—
Sande Ramage*

Labyrinth, guided local walks

Lively panel discussion:

How we “do” Progressive Christianity



Hosts and venue:

St Andrew's on The Terrace
30 The Terrace, Wellington

www.standrews.org



The Conference is presented by the informal
Progressive Christianity Aotearoa Network
www.progressivechristianityaotearoa.com

Conference working group

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Common Ground 2018

Aotearoa New Zealand's 3rd
PROGRESSIVE SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

Friday 7–Sunday 9 September 2018
Wellington

Creation:

Ecology, Theology, Revolution



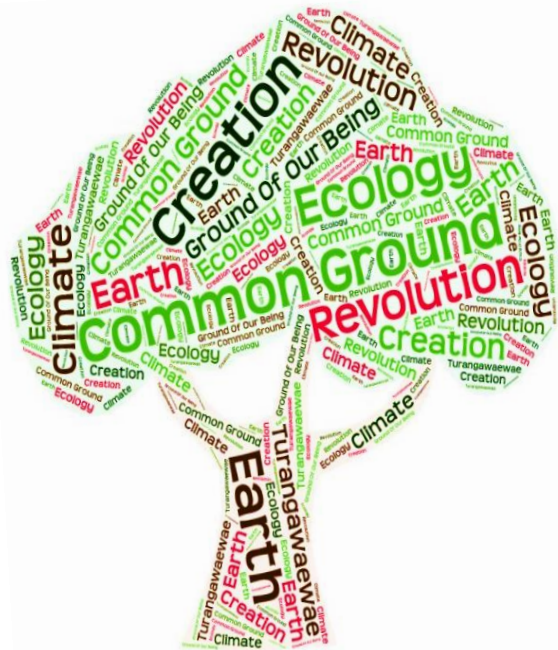
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Conference themes

- “Ground of our being”: the intersection of holy and common ground
- Importance of a sense of the sacred in a secular world
- Owning our turangawaewae—acknowledging our religious heritage to inform and create our future
- Caring for our earth and environment, being knowledgeable about the climate
- The triple bottom line: people, profit, planet
- Being earth’s trustees
- Interconnectedness—human evolution—collective responses



Gather in Wellington to engage * encourage * explore

Wherever you are on your faith journey,
whatever you believe,
whatever you do not believe—
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Purposes of the Conference:

To bring together, support, encourage and engage with those already in, or associated with, the Progressive Christian movement

To explore the boundaries of spirituality and faith

To draw in and meet with others: interfaith or no faith, ‘spiritual’ progressives, those working for social justice—anyone whose ideals are compatible with, or who wish to know more about, Progressive Christianity in Aotearoa New Zealand.

We also offer you:

New “progressive theology” hymns to sing
Fair Trade tea & coffee
Conference dinner catered by refugee social enterprise Pomegranate Kitchen



Progressive Christianity Aotearoa

is an informal network of churches, individuals and faith communities.

We are linked with Common Dreams (based in Australia) and ProgressiveChristianity.org (based in the US).



“Progressive Christian”

can encompass a wide range of views, but characteristics often include:

- valuing questioning over certainty
- inviting people to participate without insisting they become like us
- discovering the heart of Jesus’ teaching and practice of love through social justice and ethical living.

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Our website is a space for people exploring just living, spirituality and faith with 21st Century sensibilities, especially in a South Pacific context.