



# Wesley Wellington

75 Taranaki Street  
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**Sunday 23 January 2022 Epiphany 3**

*Haere mai ki tēnei Whare Karakia*

*Welcome to this House of Prayer*



**We are a multi-racial Christian community:  
Methodist in affiliation – Ecumenical in intention  
Diverse in theology – Inclusive in outreach.**

**Kia ora koutou katoa — Talofa Lava  
Malo e lelei — Bula Vinaka Greetings to you all!**

**Order of Service**  
**10am Congregation**  
**Wesley Methodist Church 75 Taranaki Street**  
**23 January 2022 Epiphany 3**

Leader: **Faafetai Faalogo** Organ: **Colin Scarf**

**Please note that due to the Covid situation we will not be having Children's time, an offering collection today, or sharing of the peace.**

**Greetings & Welcome**                      **Lusi**

**Lighting of the candle: *Christ is the light of the world***

**Call to Worship:** *(based on Psalm 19)*

The heavens are telling the glory of God

**May our worship reflect God's glory.**

The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

**May we see each other as the handiwork of God.**

Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

**We commune with Christians around the world,  
with Christians throughout time.**

With Christians across geography and across time,

**Let us worship!**

**Prayer of approach**

God of life, whose Love enfolds us,  
and Spirit fills us, we praise your Holy name.

**God of Joy, whose sunrise wakes us,  
and sunset amazes us, we praise your Holy name.**

God of Hope, whose promise sustains us,  
and power upholds us, we praise your Holy name.

**God of Love, whose patience humbles us,  
and touch can heal us, we praise your Holy name.**

God of Peace, who breaks down barriers,  
and walls that divide us, we praise your Holy name.

**God of Eternity, who has always loved us,  
and by grace has saved us, we praise your Holy name  
Amen.**

**Hymn      O for a thousand tongues to sing**

**H&P744**

1.    O for a thousand tongues to sing my  
      great Redeemer's praise, the glories of  
      God and King the triumphs of his grace.
2.    My gracious Master and my God  
      assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the  
      earth abroad the honours of thy name.
3.    Jesus the name that charms our fears, that  
      bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the  
      sinners ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace
4.    He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he  
      sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the  
      foulest clean; his blood availed for me.
5.    He speaks, and listening to his voice, new  
      life the dead receive; the mournful broken  
      hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

## **Words of assurance**

**And whatever we ask we receive from him,  
because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.  
And this is the confidence that we have toward him,  
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.**

## **Young Moment: Rejection**

**Readings: Luke 4:14-21**

**Hugh**

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,

because he has anointed me

to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners

and recovery of sight for the blind,

to set the oppressed free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.”

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down.

The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began

by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

## **Sermon: Ordained by God**

**Hymn      Great is thy faithfulness      H&P66**

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

*Chorus      Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me*

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

*Chorus*

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

*Chorus*

**Community Sharing**

‘Peace of God be with you’

**Notices**

**Lords Prayer** *(to be sung)*

**Our Father in heaven  
holy be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Do not put us to the test,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

**Offering** *(We also acknowledge offerings made by automatic payment and online banking)*

There are many ways to serve our God.  
Let us receive our offering.

**Dedication:**

We have a rich inheritance of faith.  
Bless the gifts we bring, to restore hope to the  
hopeless, and faith to those who despair.  
We offer ourselves as we are, that we may follow you  
with all our heart. Amen.

**Hymn****Take my gifts****AA 127**

1. Take my gifts and let me love you,  
God who first of all loved me,  
gave me light and food and shelter,  
gave me life and set me free.  
Now, because your love has touched me,  
I have love to give away;  
now the bread of love is rising,  
loaves of love to multiply!
2. Take the fruit that I have gathered  
from the tree your Spirit sowed,  
harvest of your own compassion,  
juice that makes the wine of God;  
spiced with humour, laced with laughter  
flavour of the Jesus life,  
tang of risk and new adventure,  
taste and zest beyond belief.
3. Take whatever I can offer -  
gifts that I have yet to find,  
skills that I am slow to sharpen,  
talents of the hand and mind,  
things made beautiful for others  
in the place where I must be:  
take my gifts and let me love you,  
God who first of all loved me.

*Music Collin Gibson Words Shirley Murray*

**Benediction**

Now may the God of peace, who  
brought up from the dead our Lord  
Jesus-the great Shepherd of the  
sheep-through the blood of the

everlasting covenant, equip you with everything good to do his will, working in us what is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen

*Hebrews 13:20-21*

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
The Love of God  
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us now and forever more

**Three Fold  
Amen.**

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Please join us in the foyer for refreshments following the service.  
Thank you to the Leatuavao family for the refreshments.  
Thank you Kula Bower for the lovely flowers.