

WESLEY WELLINGTON

75 Taranaki Street
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Sunday 5th June 2022
Combined Service

Pentecost

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 Combined Service Wesley Methodist Church 75 Taranaki Street 5 June 2022

Worship leader – Simote Taungā Organist – Colin Scarf

Welcome and Introduction Tongan Youth

Lighting of the Candle Tongan Youth

Introit Tongan Choir

Centering Words (John 14)

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Call to worship

The Holy One calls our sons and our daughters to prophesy.

We come, ready to hear the word of God.

The Holy One calls our young people to see visions.

We come, ready to dream to see new visions.

The Holy One calls our elders to dream dreams.

We come, ready to dream new dreams.

The Spirit of the Holy One is poured upon all flesh.

We come, ready to be filled with God's Spirit.

Opening Prayer

God of breath and fire, God of past and future, God of all that is and all that ever shall be, when Jesus knew that he was going to the cross, he promised his disciples that they would not be left alone. Jesus assured them that the Holy Spirit would remain with them, teaching them how to live,
and reminding them of all he has said.
Weeks later, when the day of Pentecost arrived,
you poured out your Spirit,
giving your disciples the power to speak
in many languages,
and making tongues of flame
dance above their heads.
Today, we ask that you pour out your Spirit on us,
giving us the wisdom and the courage
to live in peace as Jesus's followers. Amen.

Hymn: Guide me O thou great Jehovah

H&P 437

- 1. Guide me, O my great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.
- 2. Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow.

 Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

 Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, ever be my strength and shield, ever be my strength and shield.
- 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.

 Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.

 Songs of praises, songs of praises
 I will ever sing to you,
 I will ever sing to you.

Prayer of Confession

Spirit of truth, Giver of visions, Sender of dreams, our hearts remain troubled and afraid.

For we fear the future.

For we fear the future, forgetting your promise to do whatever we ask in your name.

Your promise to fill us with new vision to give us gifts of prophecy and dreams. Yet, we act as if we are on our own, Forgetting your promise to fill us with your Spirit.

You tell us that we are not alone, that you are always with us.

Forgive us when we forget, and we fail to keep your commandments to love you and one another.

Words of Assurance.

Hear the good news: the Holy Spirit is always with us, filling us with prophecy, vision, and dreams.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven,

Glory to God.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer (In the language of your choice)

10am Singing group

Ministry of the Word.

Acts 2:1-21 Fijian Congregation

John 14:8-17. Samoan congregation

Anthem Fijian Congregation

Reflection. Rev Simote Taungā

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God, in the words of the Apostles Creed.

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty H&P 7

1. Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

- 2. Holy, holy; all the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4. Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
 Holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
 God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber (1783-1826) Based on Revelation 4: 8-11

Prayer of Intercession

Living God, at the beginning of time your Spirit brooded over the Earth and breathed life into your creatures: we pray for all creation, for the well-being of the beautiful, endangered planet.

Wind of God, come; blow through your creation and renew the face of the earth.

Come, and, in your mercy.

hear our prayer

On the day of Pentecost you sent your Spirit on the peoples of many nations: we pray for all the peoples of the world, for all whose lives are destroyed by war, oppression, disaster, disease.

Fire of God, come; warm our cold hearts, that we may burn with a passion for justice.

Come, and, in your mercy.

hear our prayer.

Your Spirit overshadowed a young Jewish girl, and Mary bore your love to the world:

We pray for those with whom we share our lives, our families, our friends, those with whom we learn and work.

Breath of God come; breath on us, that we may be filled with our love and bring your reconciling love to others. Come, and, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

By your Spirit you empowered your disciples to proclaim your gospel: we pray for your church, for its clergy and people, for all who worship in this place.

Power of God, come; strengthen us to do your will and confirm our desire to be your witnesses in the world. Come, and, in your mercy.

hear our prayer.

By your Spirit you inspired your disciples to go out to bring healing and hope to your people: we pray for all in need of your consolation, for all who are destitute, lonely, bereaved or in pain.

Comfort of God, come; soothe our pains and calm Our terrors, that we may find our peace in you. Come, and; in your mercy.

hear our prayer.

By your Spirit, you make us your adopted daughters and sons and heirs to glory: we pray for all who have gone before us to eternal life, for the faithful people of this parish.

Spirit of God, come; inspire us, warm us, blow through us, possess us, until we are wholly yours, that with all your saints we may dwell for ever in your presence.

Come, and, in your mercy.

hear our prayer. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

We, many as we are, are one body in Christ. if we do not love our brothers and sister whom we have seen how can we love God whom we have not seen?

The peace of God be with you And God's peace be with you.

Offertory

(We acknowledge our gifts for the food bank and the work of the Parish through envelope and cash offerings, and through bank automatic payments.)

I implore you by God's mercy to offer your very selves to God: a living sacrifice, dedicated and fit for God's acceptance, the worship offered by mind and heart.

Holy God, with confidence we come to and bring you what is Yours.

Accept us and these gifts for your service and glory. Amen.

Thanksgiving

The Lord is here
God's Spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

With all your people in heaven and on earth we give you thanks for Jesus Christ, through whom all things were made; who in the fullness of time became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth; who in obedience suffered death on the cross, and was raised in triumph that was might have life. Therefore we worship and praise your glorious name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, living God, creator and sustainer of the universe; you gave us your beloved Son Jesus Christ w who on the night he was betrayed, took bread and after giving thanks broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you, Do this in remembrance of me."
In the same way he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we proclaim. your resurrection we celebrate. your coming we await. Amen.

Prayer for the holy spirit

Come Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Bind us into one body, that we may grow into the fullness of Christ who is the head.

Amen

We come to your table, Lord, trusting not in our own righteousness but in your great mercy. We are not worthy even to gather the crumbs from under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat this bread and drink this wine that Christ may evermore dwell in us and we in him. Amen.

Breaking of bread.

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

The wine which we pour is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Communion

Draw near in faith and take this holy sacrament in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

The Samoan Choir will sing during Holy Communion and will be served first. Those who are unable to walk easily will be ministered to in their seat.

Prayer after communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
We thank you with all your mercy and grace.
Grant us now and in the days to come a living hope in you; and as we serve you in the world, help us look and work for that day, when at your name every knee shall bow and every tongue confess you Lord, to the glory of God. Amen.

Hymn: Love Divine, all loves Excelling H&P 267.

English:

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art.

Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Fijian:

Sa dau yaco mai na gauna Kivei keda kecega, Me da digitaka kina Na vinaka se na ca: Me da vakatudaliga Ki na kaci i Jisu, Se muria ga na meca Era cati Koya tu.

Tongan:

Ofaange ke lilingi
Ki he fakataha ni
'A e kelesi Hotau 'Eiki
Hono ivi ngaue mai!
Ka tau hao mei he kovi,
Ka tau laka pe ki mu'a
'O tau tupu ai ke ofi
Ki he anga he 'Otua.

Samoan:

Le Alii e, silasila
Ia i matou uma nei
O tagata agasala
Ma ua matua sese
A ia e sisila lava
I le maliu o Iesu
Le na matua saunia
O le olataga fou.

English:

Finish, then, thy new creation; true and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Charles Wesley

Extinguishing the candle

Sending Forth

Go into the world in the power of the Holy Spirit We go to serve in the name of Christ.

Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you always.

Ma te Marie (Sung unaccompanied)

Ma te marie a te Atua

The peace of God

Tatou katoa e tiaki;

Mana ano e whakau

O tatou ngakau ki te pai

The peace of God

keep us all.

He will confirm our

hearts in goodness.

Ma te Atua Tamaiti ra

May the Son of God

Ma te Wairua Tapu hoki

Ratou, Atua Kotahi nei.

Tatou katoa e whakapai.

Amine.

May the Son of God

and the Holy Spirit

too, one God,

Bless us all.

Amen.

Please join us in the new hall for refreshments following the service.