



**WESLEY WELLINGTON METHODIST PARISH**  
Incorporating congregations of 10am, Tongan, Samoan  
and Fijian.



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Welcome!

Nau Mai

Haere Mai

Noa'ia 'e Mauri

Bula Vinaka

Mabu Hay

Namaste

Talofa Lava

Malo e Lelei

Chao Buoi Sang

Swaagat

안녕하세요  
(an-nyeong-ha-se-yo)

**Parish**

**Newcomers**

Nau mai haere mai

We're glad you're considering making Wellington Methodist Parish your spiritual home. If you want to put down your roots here, please let our leaders know so that we can take your contact details and you will get our weekly emails. This will enable us to get to know you better.

## *Parish Bulletin*

### *Rātapu 15 June 2025*

*Welcome to Wellington Methodist Parish*

#### *Mission Statement*

*Living God's love – acting for the common good*

*We are a multi-racial Christian community:*

*Methodist in affiliation – Ecumenical in intention*

*Diverse in theology – Inclusive in outreach.*

#### *Sunday Church Services*

##### **Wesley Church 75 Taranaki St, Wellington City**

10.00 am	English Service
12.00 am	Tongan Service
2.00 pm	Samoan Service
4.00 pm	Fijian Service

##### **Upcoming Sundays**

06/07/2025	Combined Service—Joeli Ducivaki
03/08/2025	No combined Service / Congregation Sunday

##### **Special Congregation Sundays**

12/10/2025 Samoan	White Sunday
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#### *Ministry Team*

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## Spiritual Reflection

Dancing with God: Wisdom, Spirit, and the Call to Live Fully

A short reflection on Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31 and John 16:12–15

Where is God when life feels complicated? Today's readings remind us that God is not distant or static. God's Wisdom is woven into the very fabric of creation, calling out at the crossroads of life, inviting us to listen, wonder, and respond.

In Proverbs, Wisdom is a living, joyful presence who delights in the world and in humanity. She is there at the beginning, and she is there in every new beginning we face. In John, Jesus promises that the Spirit will keep guiding us into deeper truth. We are not left alone. The conversation with God continues, even now.

The image of Wisdom dancing at creation and the Spirit speaking new words calls us to a faith that is alive. It is not about memorising static rules; it is about joining the flow of God's love with our head, heart, and hands.

Faith is a living relationship, not a finished formula. God is still speaking, guiding, and delighting in us.

We are called to live with curiosity, love, and courageous action – worshipping God, following Jesus, Spirit filled, engaged in God's ongoing story.

Philip Garside, 15 June 2025

### LECTIONARY for June 15 & June 22 June

#### *June 15— Trinity*

##### **1st Reading**

Prov 8: 1-4, 22-31

##### **Psalm**

Ps 8

##### **2nd Reading**

Rom 5: 1-5

##### **Gospel**

Jn 16: 12-15

#### *June 22—Pentecost 2*

##### **1st Reading**

1Kgs 19:1-4,  
(5-7), 8-15a

##### **Psalm**

Ps 42 & 43

##### **2nd Reading**

Gal 3:23-29

##### **Gospel**

Lk 8:26-39

### *Parish Office*

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## Prayers and Concerns



*If you are bereaved, sick or in pain, isolating, or recovering from illness, may you feel our care and compassion at this time.*

## Upcoming Meetings

### Parish Council

7th Sept, 2nd Nov

### Finance & Resource Committee

26 June, every last Thursday of the month

### Leaders/Congregational

**10AM**

17 June, 15 July, 19 August

### TONGAN

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### SAMOAN

14 June & 20 September

### FIJIAN

Leaders Meeting: 1st Saturday of every month

## Congregation Notices:

**10AM**

***Knit & Knatter— Wednesday 9th July, 11AM, meet for craft & coffee.***

***Messy Matariki— Sunday 6th July, watch this space, more information to come.***

### **Tongan**

***-Weekly exercises at Aotea Lagoon every Monday and Thursday.***

### **Samoaan**

***-Choir Practise, every Friday, in church, 6pm***  
***-Prayer meeting, second & Fourth Friday after Choir practice, 6pm.***

### **Fijian**

***-Fijian Lead worship studies are held every Monday evening at 7:30pm via zoom***

## What's Happening in our space?

### **Parish Notices:**

#### **MURAL PAINTING**

An artist is going to be painting a mural on the ground level wall of the front car park (at no cost to the Parish). He will be painting on fine Saturdays over the next few weeks. Please park on the church side of the car park if you see him at work.

#### **Parish Profile**

The Parish Profile has been received and commented on by the Synod Superintendent with positive remarks. He confirmed that Te Hapai had confirmed that it will be further discussed at the Tauwi and Stationing Committee.

#### **Strategic Reports**

The Strategic Committee is yet to meet as we await reviewed reports from the Fijian and Tongan Congregation. I would like to remind both Congregations please forward your reports so we can continue to reassess and compile an implementation Plan for the Parish as soon as possible.

#### **Carparks**

As we are aware that during the Combined Services at the beginning of every month, Carparks will be managed by each Congregations as agreed. I believe the Fijian Congregation will be responsible for the carparks in July. Please be advised cars parking in 24/7 and assigned Minister Car park will be towed away.

**All Congregational stewards, please ensure that the Church is clean after your services. No eating is allowed and please dispose of your chewing gum in the Rubbish Bin.**

**Have a blessed weekend and keep warm.**

THEME FOR APRIL:

SEASON OF EASTER

<b>10AM</b>		<b>Sunday Roster</b>	
<i>Sunday 15 June (Trinity)</i>		<i>Sunday 22 June (Pentecost 2)</i>	
Worship Leader	Kula Bower	Worship Leader	Joeli Ducivaki
Organist	Colin Scarf	Organist	Vivien Chiu
Notices & Welcome	Daphne Pilaar	Notices & Welcome	Sarah Laurenson
Bible Reader	Tauamiti Johann	Bible Reader	Alan Dine
Door Stewards	Alan Dine & Hugh Laurenson	Door Stewards	Lepa & Sana Manuao
Morning tea	Heger Family	Morning tea	Daphne Pilaar & Hugh Laurenson

<b>12pm</b>		<b>Tongan Congregation</b>	
<i>Sunday 15 June (Trinity)</i>		<i>Sunday 22 June (Pentecost 2)</i>	
Worship Leader	To be confirmed	Worship Leader	To be confirmed
Lead Worship	To be confirmed	Lead Worship	To be confirmed

<b>2pm</b>		<b><i>Samoan Congregation</i></b>	
<i>Sunday 15 June (Trinity)</i>		<i>Sunday 22 June (Pentecost 2)</i>	
Worship Leader	Sara Taupau Va'ai	Worship Leader	Lotu Aofa'i
Lead Worship	To be confirmed	Lead Worship	To be confirmed

<b>4pm</b>		<b>Fijian Congregation</b>	
<i>Sunday 15 June (Trinity)</i>		<i>Sunday 22 June (Pentecost 2)</i>	
Worship Leader	Tevita Tamani	Worship Leader	Rusiate Takalaiyale
Lead Worship	Parataisi	Lead Worship	Efiraca