



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



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Parish Office: 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, New Zealand
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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 1 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

Combined Service

1.30 pm

Fijian Women's Service

Upcoming Sundays

01/06/2025

Combined Service—Suiva'aia Te'o

06/07/2025

Combined Service—Joeli Ducivaki

03/08/2025

No combined Service / Congregation Sunday

Special Congregation Sundays

12/10/2025 Samoan

White Sunday

Ministry Team

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Spiritual Reflection

Chains That Fall, Hearts That Open

A short reflection on Acts 16:16–34

This story is full of drama – a possessed slave girl shouting in the street, angry businessmen, a public beating, midnight prayers in a jail cell, an earthquake, and a family baptism. But underneath the action is a deeper message: God's love can break through in the most unexpected places.

Paul and Silas were on their way to pray when they met a woman who was both enslaved and spiritually tormented. Even though her words about them were true, her freedom came only when Paul commanded the spirit to leave. That act of liberation sparked outrage, not joy – because her owners cared more about profit than people.

Thrown into prison, Paul and Silas didn't wallow in fear. Instead, they sang. In their darkest moment, they held onto faith. When the earthquake hit, they stayed put – saving the life of the jailor, who was about to take his own. That kindness opened his heart to God, and by dawn his whole household was baptised.

God's presence doesn't depend on the setting. Even in pain, prison, or pressure, God is near – and faith can still sing.

One act of grace can change everything. Paul's decision to stay rather than run led to new life for someone else.

Wherever we are – at our best or our most broken – we are never beyond God's reach. And through us, others can find freedom too.

Philip Garside, 1 June 2025

LECTIONARY for June 1st & June 8th

June 1—Easter 7

1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Acts 16: 16-34	Ps 97	Rev 22: 12-14 16-17, 20-21	Jn 17: 20-26

June 8—Easter 8

1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Gen 11:1-9	Ps 104: 24-34, 35	Acts 2:1-21	Jn 14:8-17 (25-27)

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

5th June, 7th Sept, 2nd Nov

Finance & Resource Committee

29 May, every last Thursday of the month

Leaders/Congregational

10AM

17 June, 15 July, 19 August

TONGAN

tbc

SAMOAN

14 June & 20 September

FIJIAN

Leaders Meeting: 1st Saturday of every month

Congregation Notices:

10AM

Knit & Knatter—Wednesday 11th June, staff room, 11am, All welcome for coffee & Crafts.

Matariki Messy Church

2-5pm Friday 20 June, New Hall

To ensure the success of our Matariki Messy Church we need helpers to run activities and some to help prepare refreshments. We also need you to invite family and friends along. Please contact me to let me know how you can help.

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Tongan

-Weekly exercises at Aotea Lagoon every Monday and Thursday.

Samoaan

-Choir Practise, every Friday, in church, 6pm
-Prayer meeting, second 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:

Fijian congregation are hosting their Wasewase Fijian Women AGM this weekend (Kings birthday weekend). Wasewase women throughout NZ, from Whangarei down to Invercargill are attending this gathering. This is a gathering of fellowshiping, connection amongst the different womens fellowship. This session, the Fijian women are focused on empowering and encouraging their young women.

The Congregations Strategic Planning Teams, please provide your finalised and updated Plans to the Parish Council Meeting.

If the Tongan Leaders liaise with Alan Dine concerning Fire Warden Training so we know what to do in case there is a fire alarm when occupying 75 Taranaki Street Property.

All Congregations Leaders ensure that all power and air conditions outlets, Heaters & Dishwasher are turned off before leaving the premises.

I would respectfully asked all congregational stewards to check the seats and pockets of the seats are all clean before leaving the place of worship. Please discourage congregational members to eat in Church. Keep the Church seats and pockets clean so the next congregation can enjoy their worship services.

LOST & FOUND

We have a few Items in our lost & Found in the office. If you might have lost an item please pop in the office during office hours.

WESLEY CAR PARK 24/7 PARKS - PLEASE NOTE

Front Car Park - #1 is leased 24/7. The owner can park there at any time. This park is unavailable for Parish members.

Back Car Parks - #12, #13, #14 (By the umu shed) These parks are leased to Wesley Community Action 24/7. They are unavailable for Parish members.

THEME FOR APRIL:

SEASON OF EASTER

<div> <div>10AM</div> <div>Sunday Roster</div> <div>Combined Service</div> <div><i>Sunday 1 June (Easter 7)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Suiva’aia Te’o</div> <div>Music</div> <div>Tongan Brass Band</div> <div>Notices & Welcome</div> <div>Samoan</div> <div>Bible Reader</div> <div>Samoan/Tongan</div> <div>Door Stewards</div> <div>Samoan</div> <div>Morning tea</div> <div>Tongan</div> </div> <div> <div><i>Sunday 8 June (Easter 8)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Hugh Laurenson</div> <div>Organist</div> <div>Vivien Chiu</div> <div>Notices & Welcome</div> <div>Leatuavao</div> <div></div> <div>Leatuavao</div> <div>Bible Reader</div> <div>Melina Takau-Samson</div> <div>Door Stewards</div> <div>Joy Grove & Melina Takau-Samson</div> <div>Morning tea</div> <div>Masoe Family</div> </div>			
<div> <div>12pm</div> <div>Tongan Congregation</div> <div><i>Sunday 1 June 10AM (Easter 7)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Combined Service</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>Combined Service</div> </div> <div> <div><i>Sunday 8 June (Easter 8)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> </div>			
<div> <div>2pm</div> <div>Samoan Congregation</div> <div><i>Sunday 1 June 10AM (Easter 7)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Combined Service</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>Combined Service</div> </div> <div> <div><i>Sunday 8 June (Easter 8)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Sara Va’ai</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> </div>			
<div> <div>4pm</div> <div>Fijian Congregation</div> <div><i>Sunday 1 June 1:30PM (Easter 7)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Rev. Takalesi M</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>Tovata</div> </div> <div> <div><i>Sunday 8 June (Easter 8)</i></div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Titilia Ritova</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> <div>Saioni</div> </div>			