



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



<https://wesleychurch.org.nz/>

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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 20 Hōngongoi (July) 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 pm	Tongan Service
12.30 pm	Fijian Service (Old Hall)
2.00 pm	Samoan Service

Upcoming Sundays

03/08/2025	No combined Service / Congregation Sunday
07/09/2025	Combined Service
05/10/2025	Combined Service
02/11/2025	Combined Service

Special Congregation Sundays

12/10/2025 Samoan	White Sunday
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Spiritual Reflection

Justice, Silence, and Listening

A short reflection on Amos 8:1-12 and Luke 10:38-42

In Amos 8, the prophet presents a harsh vision: Israel's injustice has finally exhausted God's patience. No more chances, no room for negotiation. Even the honest will suffer alongside the corrupt. And most devastating of all – God will stop speaking. A famine of the word.

This portrayal of God feels challenging to modern ears. An all-powerful deity who punishes both the wicked and the innocent may seem distant from the God we meet in the New Testament. Yet Amos' warning speaks across the ages: when societies are built on exploitation and the cries of the vulnerable are ignored, destruction often follows, whether by divine judgement or the natural consequence of injustice.

In contrast, Luke 10 offers an intimate scene. Mary listens at Jesus' feet while Martha is overwhelmed by her tasks. Jesus gently reminds Martha that in all her busyness, she risks missing what matters most – the Word made flesh, speaking words of life and hope.

Together, these readings remind us that while God holds communities accountable, God also invites each person into relationship. Even when the world is noisy with injustice and anxiety, Christ continues to speak. The question is: will we pause and listen?

Societies must confront injustice before it leads to collective suffering and spiritual silence. Individuals must balance action with contemplation to stay rooted in God's living word.

Ngā mihi, Philip Garside, 20 July 2025

LECTIONARY for 20 July & 27 July

July 20—Pentecost 6

1st Reading

Amos 8: 1-12

Psalm

Ps 52

2nd Reading

Col 1:15-28

Gospel

Lk 10:38-42

July 27—Pentecost 7

1st Reading

Hos 1:2-10

Psalm

Ps 85

2nd Reading

Col 2: 6-15,
(16-19)

Gospel

Lk 11: 1-13

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday

10am to 3pm

Prayers and Concerns



If you are bereaved, sick or in pain, isolating, or recovering from illness, may you feel our care

Upcoming Meetings

Parish Council

7th Sept, 2nd Nov

Finance & Resource Committee

24 July, every last Thursday of the month

Leaders/Congregational

10AM

19 August

TONGAN

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SAMOAN

20 September

FIJIAN

Leaders Meeting: 1st Saturday of every month

Congregation Notices:

10AM

-Knit & Knatter— Wednesday 13th August, 11AM, meet for craft & coffee.

Tongan

-Weekly exercises at Aotea Lagoon every Monday and Thursday.

Samoan

-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:

“Website is Live Again”

The Parish Website is up and running again <https://www.wesleychurch.org.nz> after final testing were conducted by Alan Dine. Each Congregation will need to nominate a Representative for training so they can each update their own congregational pages which link to the Parish main page. Alan Dine should be contacted if more information is required.

Email: finance@wesleychurch.org.nz

“Church Worship on Livestream”

Alan Dine and Philip Garside successfully tested the YOUTUBE LIVE for 10AM worship last Sunday 13th July. This is the link www.youtube.com/@wellingtonmethodistparish. Alan Dine will be in contact to invite Congressional Reps for training. We are mindful that we will be handling expensive equipment, therefore training will be vital before handling of these devices.

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

10AM		Sunday Roster	
<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>		<i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i>	
Worship Leader	Shelly Rao	Worship Leader	Suiva’aia Te’o
Organist	Vivien Scarf	Organist	Colin Scarf
Notices & Welcome	Alan Dine	Notices & Welcome	Heather Garside
Bible Reader	Sarah Laurenson	Bible Reader	Norbert
Door Stewards	Lepa & Sana	Door Stewards	Nziramasaanga
	Manuao		Philippa Conway & Bill Ryan
Morning tea	Sarah Laurenson & Alan Dine	Morning tea	Wendy & Rendall Conwell

12pm		Tongan Congregation	
<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>		<i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i>	
Worship Leader	Father ‘Akuila Talia’uli	Worship Leader	Malanga Vahefonua
Lead Worship	Siosifa Aniseko	Lead Worship	Sela Finau

2pm		Samoan Congregation	
<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>		<i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i>	
Worship Leader	Muaimalae Te’o	Worship Leader	Felaugaina
Safety Briefing	Aria Holmes	Safety Briefing	To be confirmed
Bible Reader	Uiese Holmes	Bible Reading	Mata Leauma

12.30pm	Fijian Congregation	(Winter Service in Old Hall)	
<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>		<i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i>	
Worship Leader	Iliesa Tora	Worship Leader	Niko Bower
Lead Worship	Mudrenicagi	Lead Worship	Wardens