



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 27 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 (Vahefonua)

1.30 pm

Fijian Service @ Waiwhetu Church

2.30 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

Ministry Team

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Spiritual Reflection

Faith with Deep Roots and Open Hands

A short reflection on Colossians 2:6–19, Luke 11:1–13

What does it mean to be deeply rooted in something? In Colossians, Paul urges the Christian community to remain firmly grounded in Christ, warning them not to be led astray by empty thinking or shallow ideologies. It's a pastoral encouragement, not a scolding. The people are already walking in faith – now they are being called to grow deeper.

Luke's Gospel takes us straight into the heart of that deepening process: prayer. When Jesus teaches his disciples to pray, he doesn't give them a lofty speech or a theological treatise. He gives them a pattern: a short, meaningful prayer that is both intimate and revolutionary. It calls us to trust, to forgive, to seek daily sustenance, and to long for God's justice to come alive in our world.

Together, these readings invite us to cultivate a resilient faith – one that holds fast in times of confusion, challenge, or doubt. Faith isn't about having all the answers. It's about staying connected to the Source. Prayer isn't about getting what we want. It's about being reshaped by relationship with God.

Let your faith be informed by reason, but rooted in Christ – not swayed by every new idea.

Keep praying, even when answers don't come quickly. Trust that the habit of prayer changes us.

Ngā mihi, Philip Garside, 27 July 2025

LECTIONARY for 27 July & 3 August 2025

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

August 3— Pentecost 8

1st Reading

Hos 11:1-11

Psalm

Ps 107:1-9,
43

2nd Reading

Col 3:1-11

Gospel

Lk 12:13-21

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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

31 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

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

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.

What's Happening in our space?

Parish Notices:

10AM MORNING TEA WILL BE HELD IN DRAMA CHRISTI

**HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY
RENDALL CONWELL**



The late David Read (1939 – 2025)

On Thursday we had a visit from Simon Read and his wife, who now live in Charleston, South Carolina. Simon's father, David Read died on 16th July. Dave and Loloma Read met here in the early 1960s, when Dave lived at Church House. They were members of the 10am and Samoan congregations, then retired to Tokoroa. Loloma still lives in the Waikato, but she will move to Auckland to be near her sisters. Rest in peace.

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:

PENTECOST

<div>10AM</div> <div>Sunday Roster</div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Organist</div> <div>Notices & Welcome</div> <div>Bible Reader</div> <div>Door Stewards</div> <div>Morning tea</div> </div> <div> <div>Suiva’aia Te’o</div> <div>Vivien Chiu</div> <div>Heather Garside</div> <div>Norbert</div> <div>Nziramasanga</div> <div>Alan Dine & Sarah Laurenson</div> <div>Philippa Conway & Bill Ryan</div> </div> </div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 3 August (Pentecost 8)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Organist</div> <div>Notices & Welcome</div> <div>Bible Reader</div> <div>Door Stewards</div> <div>Morning tea</div> </div> <div> <div>Simote Taunga</div> <div>Vivien Chiu</div> <div>Hugh Laurenson</div> <div>Hugh Laurenson</div> <div>Lusi Tevita & Mate Fa’asalele</div> <div>Daphne Pilaar/ Hugh Laureson</div> </div> </div>			
<div>12pm</div> <div>Tongan Congregation</div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> </div> <div> <div>Malanga Vahefonua</div> <div>Sela Finau</div> </div> </div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 3 August (Pentecost 8)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> </div> <div> <div>Simote Taunga</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> </div> </div>			
<div>Samoan Congregation</div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7) 2.30PM</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Safety Briefing</div> <div>Bible Reader</div> </div> <div> <div>Sofia Sa’o</div> <div>Mata Ipolito</div> <div>Mata Ipolito</div> </div> </div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 3 August (Pentecost 8)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Safety Briefing</div> <div>Bible Reading</div> </div> <div> <div>To be confirmed</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> <div>To be confirmed</div> </div> </div>			
<div>Fijian Congregation</div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 27 July (Pentecost 7) 1.30PM (Waiwhetu Church)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> </div> <div> <div>Sikeli Cawanikawai</div> <div>Wardens</div> </div> </div> <div> <div> <i>Sunday 3 August (Pentecost 8) 12.30PM (Wesley Church—Old Hall)</i> </div> <div> <div>Worship Leader</div> <div>Lead Worship</div> </div> <div> <div>Joeli Ducivaki</div> <div>Burevasaga</div> </div> </div>			