



WESLEY WELLINGTON METHODIST PARISH

Incorporating congregations of 10am, Tongan, Samoan and Fijian.

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Parish Bulletin

Rātapu 08 Poutu-te-rangi (March) 2026

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.

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

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

** Every first Sunday is our Parish Combined Church Service at 10AM.*

Upcoming Sundays

- **29 March – Palm Sunday – TBC**
- **03 April – Good Friday Service – Rev. Joeli Ducivaki**
- **05 April – Easter Sunday Service and Holy Communion – Kisione Finau**

Ministry Team

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Living Water at the Well—A Story of Transformation

A short reflection based on John 4: 5-42

At a lonely well in the heat of midday, a woman meets Jesus – and everything changes. She’s unnamed, isolated, and burdened by a story the world sees as shameful. But Jesus sees her differently. He doesn’t avoid her. He speaks with her. He asks her for a drink – breaking social, cultural, and religious rules to do so.

This moment is more than a conversation. It’s a powerful encounter of grace. Jesus offers her "living water" – not just something to drink, but something that refreshes the soul. She comes to the well for water but leaves with purpose. She becomes the first evangelist in John’s gospel, running to tell her community about the One who truly sees her and still offers love.

We, too, are thirsty – longing for meaning, healing, and hope. And like her, we may carry burdens or feel unworthy. But Jesus meets us right where we are, offering the same living water.

This story reminds us that no one is beyond grace. And no story is too messy to be used for God’s mission.

God meets us in the margins. Even when we feel unseen or unworthy, Jesus reaches out to include us.

Our stories can lead others to Jesus. Like the woman at the well, your experience can be a source of healing for others.

Ngā mihi, Philip – 8 March 2026 | Lent 3

LECTIONARY for 8 & 15 March 2026

March 8—Lent 3

1st Reading

Ex 17: 1-7

Psalm

Ps 95

2nd Reading

Rom 5: 1-11

Gospel

Jn 4: 5-42

March 15—Lent 4

1st Reading

1 Sam 16: 1-13

Psalm

Ps 23

2nd Reading

Eph 5: 8-14

Gospel

Jn 9: 1-41

Parish Office

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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 and compassion at this time.

Upcoming Meetings

Parish Meetings

Parish Executive— tbc

Parish Council— 7th June

Booking Committee— tbc

Leaders/Congregational

10AM	tbc
TONGAN	tbc
SAMOAN	tbc
FIJIAN	1st Saturday of every month

10AM

Coordinator Needed

We're seeking someone to coordinate the 10am rosters.

Contact **Leatuavao** or **Daphne** if you can help.

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Picnic – 15 March

Join us at **Shorland Park, Island Bay** from **12 noon** for a casual picnic. Bring lunch and anything fun to play with.

Samoan

8 March— Sunday school starts again at 12pm—New Hall.

18 March— Prayer meeting on Wednesday/Friday at 6pm (dates tbs)

Fijian

7 March—Bose Vulatolu

24-27 April—Wasewase Youth Camp in Nelson

Tongan

18 March— Lay Preachers Meeting

22 March—Parish Council

29 March—No Sunday service. Combined service with 10AM

What's Happening in our space?

Parish Notices:

Parish Lenten Study



3rd session – **Thursday 12th March 7.30pm** on zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83143703203?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83143703203?pwd=eJlOUeN59UlpgzFRJoePHdw2hsi9ek.1)

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Meeting ID: 831 4370 3203

Passcode: 964473

The Bible reading for this session is **John 4:5-42**.

Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman is explored as a radical crossing of social, gender, and religious boundaries.

The session highlights how grace flows through vulnerability and relationship, transforming an outsider into the first evangelist in John's Gospel.

Participants are invited to consider what it means to lay down old labels and burdens and to drink deeply from the Living Water that renews life.

DCM Wellington

Here's a list of kai to help DCM in making kai parcels to support rough sleeping whanau in our community and awhi those who have recently been housed.

Tinned Fruit	Crackers
Tinned Fish	Instant Coffee
Tinned Soup	Tea
Biscuits	Breakfast spreads
2min noodles	Laundry detergent

Look out for the Foodbank collection basket at your congregation service.

Accounts Clerk Position (Salary Role)

The Parish Council, in consultation with the Parish Office, has approved the transition of the Admin Officer role into an **Accounts Clerk** position to strengthen financial management within the Parish.

Applicants who previously applied for the Admin Officer role will still be considered if they have relevant accounting knowledge and experience.

Applications close on 15 March.

Parish Treasurer (Volunteer Role)

With guidance from the Synod Superintendent, the Parish Council has confirmed that a formal job description will support the accountability and responsibilities of this volunteer position.

Applications remain open until 15 March.

Job descriptions are available upon request.

THEME FOR March:

Lent 3

10AM Sunday Roster

Sunday 8 March (Lent 3)

Worship Leader Niko Bower
Organist Vivien Chiu
Notice & Welcome Alan Dine
Bible Readings Daphne Pilaar
Door Stewards Philippa Conway &
Warden Bill Ryan
Morning tea Garside Family
Children's Support Sven Heger

Sunday 15 March (Lent 4)

Worship Leader Joeli Ducivaki
Organist Colin Scarf
Notices & Welcome Daphne Pilaar
Bible Reading Sven Heger
Door Steward Joy Grove
Warden Melina T Samson
Morning tea Heger Family
Children's Support Philomena

****We thank the Tongan Congregation for looking after our flowers this month.***

12pm Tongan Congregation

Sunday 8 March (Lent 3)

Worship Leader 'Unaloto Masila
Lead Worship TBC

Sunday 15 March (Lent 4)

Worship Leader Ve'a Valu
Lead Worship TBC

2pm Samoan Congregation

Sunday 8 March (Lent 3)

Worship Leader Myra Tautau
Safety Briefing & Bible Reading Lenia Pupulu

Sunday 15 March (Lent 4)

Worship Leader Muaimalae Te'o
Safety Briefing & Bible Reading Aria Holmes

4pm Fijian Congregation

Sunday 8 March (Lent 3)

Worship Leader Tovata
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Sunday 15 March (Lent 4)

Worship Leader Efiraca
Lead Worship Rusiate Lima