



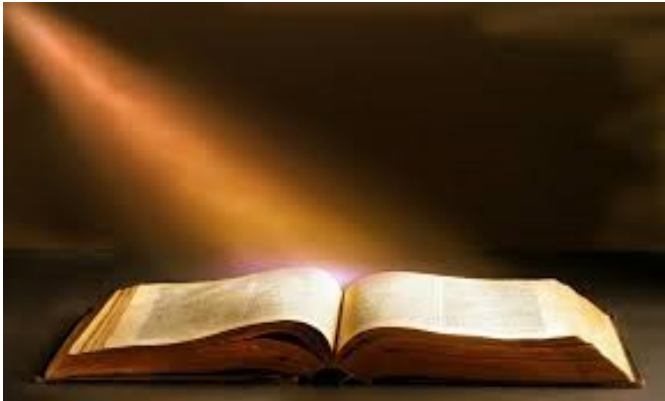
# Wesley Wellington

75 Taranaki Street  
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**Sunday 16 January 2022 Epiphany 2**

*Haere mai ki tēnei Whare Karakia*

*Welcome to this House of Prayer*



**We are a multi-racial Christian community:  
Methodist in affiliation – Ecumenical in intention  
Diverse in theology – Inclusive in outreach.**

**Kia ora koutou katoa — Talofa Lava  
Malo e lelei — Bula Vinaka Greetings to you all!**

**Order of Service**  
**10am Congregation**  
**Wesley Methodist Church 75 Taranaki Street**  
**16 January 2022 Epiphany 2**

Leader: **Simote Taungā** Organ: **Colin Scarf**

**Please note that due to the Covid situation we will not be having Children's time, an offering collection today, or sharing of the peace.**

### **Welcome & Introduction**

#### **Call to Worship**

Come to the feast.

**God welcome us here.**

Come to be fed.

**Christ nourishes us with love.**

Come to be transformed.

**The Spirit re-creates us anew each day.**

### **Lighting the Candles**

#### **Opening Prayer**

Living Water, flow through our worship.

Nourish us with your loving presence.

Draw us ever closer to you,

that our empty vessels may be filled,

and that our dry souls may be transformed

into fountains of love, life and joy.

### **Hymn      Great is thy faithfulness      H&P66**

- I.      Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father  
         There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
         Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
         As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

*Chorus      Great is Thy faithfulness  
                 Great is Thy faithfulness  
                 Morning by morning new mercies I see  
                 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
                 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me*

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

*Chorus*

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

*Chorus*

### **Prayer of confession**

When hope run dry, lift us out of despair, O God,  
and fill us with the waters of renewal.

When our efforts fall short,  
forgive our failing,  
and reclaim us with your promise.

When the weight of worry holds us down,  
lift us up with your comfort,  
and show us the way forward.

Transform our lives,  
as you once transformed water into wine,  
that we may flow with abundant love.

Transform your creation and your people,  
as you once transformed a formless void  
into this good and fruitful earth.

In hope and gratitude, we pray. Amen.

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(please say together)*

**Our Father in heaven  
Holy be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
On earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Do not put us to the test,**

**but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Valu family singing**

### **Readings**

#### **Isaiah 60: 1-5**

“Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.  
See, darkness covers the earth  
and thick darkness is over the peoples,  
but the Lord rises upon you  
and his glory appears over you.  
Nations will come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

“Lift up your eyes and look about you:  
All assemble and come to you;  
your sons come from afar,  
and your daughters are carried on the hip.  
Then you will look and be radiant,  
your heart will throb and swell with joy;  
the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,  
to you the riches of the nations will come.

#### **John 2: 1-11**

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, “They have no more wine.” “Woman, why do you involve me?” Jesus replied. “My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water”; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.” They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, “Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.” What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**Hymn      Guide me O thou Great Jehovah      H&P437**

1.     Guide me, O my great Redeemer,  
        Pilgrim through this barren land;  
        I am weak, but you are mighty;  
        Hold me with your powerful hand.  
        Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
        Feed me now and evermore,  
        Feed me now and evermore.
  
2.     Open now the crystal fountain,  
        Where the healing waters flow.  
        Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
        Lead me all my journey through.  
        Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
        Ever be my strength and shield,  
        Ever be my strength and shield.
  
3.     When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
        Bid my anxious fears subside.  
        Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
        Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
        Songs of praises, songs of praises  
        I will ever sing to you,  
        I will ever sing to you.

William Williams (1717—91)  
tr. Peter Williams (1722-96) and others

**Reflection**

**Offering** (*We also acknowledge offerings made by automatic payment and online banking*)

**Offering Prayer**

Christ of miracles, transform the gifts we return to you,  
        that they may be gifts of abundant life,  
        and ever flowing love,  
        for a world thirsting for your grace.  
In gratitude and joy, we pray. Amen.

## Prayer of Intercession

Loving God, we give you thanks that you have created a world of extravagant beauty, for all to care for and delight in.

We pray for all the peoples of the world:

for all in positions of authority and responsibility;

for those whose lives are devastated by war,  
poverty and disease;

for those who are victims of greed, violence or oppression.

May we who feast at your table bring to others your  
wine of justice and peace.

Ever-bountiful God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give you thanks that you welcome  
all to your feast, spreading before us your gifts of  
bread and of wine.

We pray for all who eat at your table:

for your church in this and other lands;

for all who exercise their gifts in your ministry;

for all who worship and minister in this parish.

May we who feast at your table bring to others your  
wine of redemption and grace.

Ever-bountiful God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give you thanks that you delight to  
give good gifts to your children, pardoning our faults  
and accepting our weaknesses.

We pray for the communities in which we live and work:

for those who are victims of prejudice, abuse and neglect;

for the homeless, the hungry, the unemployed;

for our families, for our friends and for ourselves.

May we who feast at your table bring to others your  
wine of reconciliation and love.

Ever-bountiful God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give you thanks that you are infinite  
in compassion and tenderness, sharing the sorrows  
and pains of your children.

We pray for all who work to alleviate the suffering of  
others and for those in need of healing and comfort:

for those in pain, whose bodies are broken,

whose minds are confused, whose spirits are sad;

for the lonely, the unwanted and those who mourn.

May we who feast at your table bring to others your  
wine of consolation and gladness.

Ever-bountiful God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give you thanks that in death, as in  
life, you welcome home your sons and daughters.

We pray for those we love who have died, for your  
Friends and lovers of every age.

May we, with all who have feasted at your earthly  
Table, be brought to your heavenly banquet to share  
with you the wine of eternal life.

Ever-bountiful God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

**Hymn                      Stand up! Stand up for Jesus                      H&P721**

1.     Stand up! stand up for Jesus,  
      Ye soldiers of the cross!  
      Lift high his royal banner;  
      It must not suffer loss.  
      From vict'ry unto vict'ry  
      His army he shall lead,  
      Till every foe is vanquished,  
      And Christ is Lord indeed.
2.     Stand up! stand up for Jesus!  
      The trumpet-call obey;  
      Forth to the mighty conflict  
      In this his glorious day!  
      Ye that are his, now serve him  
      Against unnumbered foes;  
      Let courage rise with danger,  
      And strength to strength oppose.
3.     Stand up! Stand up for Jesus!  
      Stand in his strength alone;  
      The arm of flesh will fail you;  
      Ye dare not trust your own.  
      Put on the gospel armour,  
      Each piece put on with prayer;  
      Where duty calls, or danger,  
      Be never wanting there.
4.     Stand up! stand up for Jesus!  
      The strife will not be long:  
      This day the noise of battle,

The next the victor's song.  
To him that overcometh  
A crown of life shall be;  
He with the King of Glory  
Shall reign eternally.

- George Duffield (1818-88)

### **Benediction**

As we have been filled,  
    go now to fill the world.  
Fill the world with love.  
Fill the world with hope.  
Fill the world with Christ.  
For as we nourish others,  
    God transforms the world through us.

### **Grace**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.**

### **Ma Te Marie**

Ma te marie a te Atua  
Ta tou Katoa e tiaki;  
Mana ano e whakau  
O Tatou ngakau kit e pai.  
    Ma te Atua Tamaiti ra,  
    Ma te wairua Tapu hoki,  
    Ratou, Atua kotahi nei,  
    Tatou Katoa e whakapai.  
Amine.

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Please join us in the foyer for refreshments following the service.  
Thank you to the Tevita family for the refreshments.  
Thank you Kula Bower for the lovely flowers.