



WESLEY WELLINGTON  
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**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**  
**CAFÉ CHURCH**

*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**  
**29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**Worship leader – Nicola Teague Grundy**  
**Reflection - Hugh Laurenson**

**Welcome and safety briefing**                      **Lusi**

**Gathering**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

Jesus came to share the good news of God. He came to share in our joys and sorrows so we may know God more fully. Let us take a moment to share our joys and sorrows in community with God's people.

*(The congregation is invited to share exciting or challenging events in their lives.)*

We light this candle for the good news we shared, the good news in our hearts, and the good news that wherever you go God is with you.

**Gathering Prayer**

*Leader*

Here in this room, around these tables we have a wide spectrum of resources:

*Table 1 say together*

People good with their hands  
People good with their sense of money  
People good with their hearts  
People who grasp the wide perspective,  
how everything fits into a big picture.

***Table 2 say together***

And people who discern the details  
That can trip up the best plans and make extra unnecessary work.  
Here we have people who understand the past of the church  
and what really matters to the family.

***Table 3 say together***

Here we also have people whose gift is to take us to places we haven't  
yet been and that will prove to be exciting and important.

***Table 4 say together***

Here we have people who remember  
And people who hope  
And people who dream  
And people who evaluate  
And people who are risk-takers by nature.

***Table 1 say together***

Here we have people who listen and hear the things that nobody else  
hears.

***Table 2 say together***

Here we have people who speak and who express what everyone else is  
thinking but can't quite put into the right words.

***Table 3 say together***

Here we have people who are naturally shy, and whose words are few.  
And we have people who think aloud finding their ideas as they speak.

***Table 4 say together***

Here we have people for whom this is an important part of their day and  
people for whom this could be one more thing to fit in before collapse.

***Leader***

In this wide collection of differences of viewpoint  
we expect to hear you speaking, Lord.  
In this rainbow of colours, we expect to find the light needed  
for the journey ahead.  
We honour our differences, and in honouring each other,  
believe we honour you.

For in this assortment of humanity  
we expect to find your unity and your love  
and in our diversity,  
our very differences  
to once again touch what it means to be your body  
the Church of Jesus.  
Amen.

*Written by Rev Alan K Webster, Prayers for the Gathering*

### **Hymn: Great and deep the Spirit's purpose**

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose,  
hidden now in mystery,  
nature bursts with joyful promise,  
ripe with what is yet to be.  
In a wealth of rich invention,  
still the work of art unfolds:  
barely have we seen, and faintly,  
what God's great salvation holds.

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose,  
making Jesus seen and heard.  
Every age of God's creation  
Grasps new meaning from the Word.  
Show us, Holy Spirit, show us  
your new work begun today:  
eyes and ears and hearts are open,  
teach us what to do and say.

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose:  
all God's children brought to birth,  
freed from hunger, fear and evil  
every corner of the earth,  
and a million million voices  
speak with joy the Saviour's name;  
every face reflects his image,  
never any two the same.

Great the deep the Spirit's purpose,  
nothing shall be left to chance.  
All that lives will be united  
In the everlasting dance.  
All fulfilled and all perfected,  
each uniquely loved and known,  
Christ in glory unimagined  
once for all receives his own.

*Words: Marnie Barrell. Music: Colin Gibson*

**Christian Scriptures: John 17: 20-26 [The Message]**

**Norbert**

I'm praying not only for them  
But also for those who will believe in me  
Because of them and their witness about me.  
The goal is for all of them to become one heart and mind—  
Just as you, Father, are in me and I in you,  
So they might be one heart and mind with us.  
Then the world might believe that you, in fact, sent me.  
The same glory you gave me, I gave them,  
So they'll be as unified and together as we are—  
I in them and you in me.  
Then they'll be mature in this oneness,  
And give the godless world evidence  
That you've sent me and loved them  
In the same way you've loved me.

Father, I want those you gave me  
To be with me, right where I am,  
So they can see my glory, the splendour you gave me,  
Having loved me  
Long before there ever was a world.  
Righteous Father, the world has never known you,  
But I have known you, and these disciples know  
That you sent me on this mission.  
I have made your very being known to them—  
Who you are and what you do—  
And continue to make it known,  
So that your love for me  
Might be in them  
Exactly as I am in them.

## **Introduction to Reflection**

### **Reflection – Hugh Laurenson**

#### **Conversations at the table**

- How might God be guiding you to respond to your faith in the world today?
- What role does your faith play in how you respond to challenges that arise in your life?
- As a congregation how might we respond to our call to witness?

#### **Prayer**

##### **The Lord's Prayer**

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi  
Kia tapu tou Ingoa  
Kia tae mai tou rangatira-tanga.  
Kia meatia tau e pai ai  
ki runga i te whenua,  
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.  
Homai ki a mātou aianeī  
he taro mā mātou mo tēnei ra.  
Murua o mātou hara  
Me mātou hoki e muru nei  
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.  
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whaka-waia;  
Engari whaka-orangia mātou, i te kino:  
Nou hoki te rangatira-tanga,  
te kaha,  
me te kororia,  
Ake, ake, ake.  
Āmine.**

## **Hymn Deep in the human heart**

*During the singing of this hymn our offering will be received.*

Deep in the human heart  
the fire of justice burns;  
a vision of a world renewed  
through radical concern.  
As Christians we are called  
to set the captives free,  
to overthrow the evil powers  
and end hypocrisy.

This is our task today  
to build a world of peace;  
a world of justice, freedom, truth,  
where kindness will increase;  
a world from hunger freed,  
a world where people share,  
where every person is of worth  
and no-one lives in fear.

Taking the step of faith,  
we leave the past behind  
and move into the future's world  
with open heart and mind.  
By grace we work with Christ,  
as one community,  
to bring new hope and fuller life  
to all humanity.

*Words William L (Bill) Wallace.*

## **Offering – Prayer of dedication**

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

**We give this offering to you, generous God. We give ourselves as well. Bless us as we give. Move us to help others and to love them, in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

## Community time

### Notices

### Parting Words

Go now in peace,  
for Christ has called you to live in peace.  
Go now in courage,  
for Christ has called you from the places of your life  
to be agents of redemption and partners in healing.  
Go now in joy and thanksgiving,  
for Christ is our light!  
Go now as one body,  
to love and serve God as you love and serve the world!

### Grace (*we say the grace together*)

**Kia tau ki a tātou katoa,  
te atawhai o to tātou Ariki o Ihu Karaiti,  
me te aroha o te Atua,  
me te whiwhinga tahitanga  
ki te Wairua Tapu. Amine**

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Liturgy for this service was sourced from:  
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Please join us in the foyer for refreshments following the service.