



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 13 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

The Plumb Line and the Samaritan: Measuring Our Faith in Action

A short reflection on Amos 7:7-17 and Luke 10:25-37

In Amos 7:7-17, God holds a plumb line beside the nation of Israel – a simple tool revealing whether a structure stands true or has become dangerously crooked. Amos warns that Israel's spiritual and social foundations are out of alignment. Leaders have embraced greed, injustice, and empty ritual. No excuses or legal arguments can change the unarguable result: things are either just, or they are not.

Centuries later, Jesus faces a legal expert's question: What must I do to inherit eternal life? (Luke 10:25-37). The man knows the law's words – love God and neighbour – but seeks a loophole: Who is my neighbour? Jesus responds with the parable of the Good Samaritan, cutting through legalism to reveal the heart of true faith. The Samaritan crosses boundaries of race, religion, and danger to act with costly compassion. His actions align perfectly with God's plumb line.

These passages challenge us to measure both personal lives and society. Today's crooked walls include growing economic inequality, climate injustice, and the silencing of prophetic voices. Like Amaziah and the priest and Levite, we may be tempted to avoid uncomfortable truths. But God's plumb line still stands, calling us to embody love in action, not just words.

God's justice is not theoretical – it demands visible, courageous action in how we treat others and structure our communities.

True faith involves both standing firm like Amos and crossing boundaries like the Samaritan to embody compassionate love.

Ngā mihi, Philip Garside – 13 July 2025

LECTIONARY for June 13 July & 20 July

July 13—Pentecost 5

1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Amos 7: 7-17	Ps 82	Col 1: 1-14	Lk 10:25-37

July 20—Pentecost 6

1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Amos 8: 1-12	Ps 52	Col 1:15-28	Lk 10:38-42

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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

15 July, 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

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:

Musical at Wesley

Social Committee are planning our Winter at Wesley event on 30th August 2025 at 6pm.

The social committee members are:

Social Committee Convenor is Tinei Alefosio

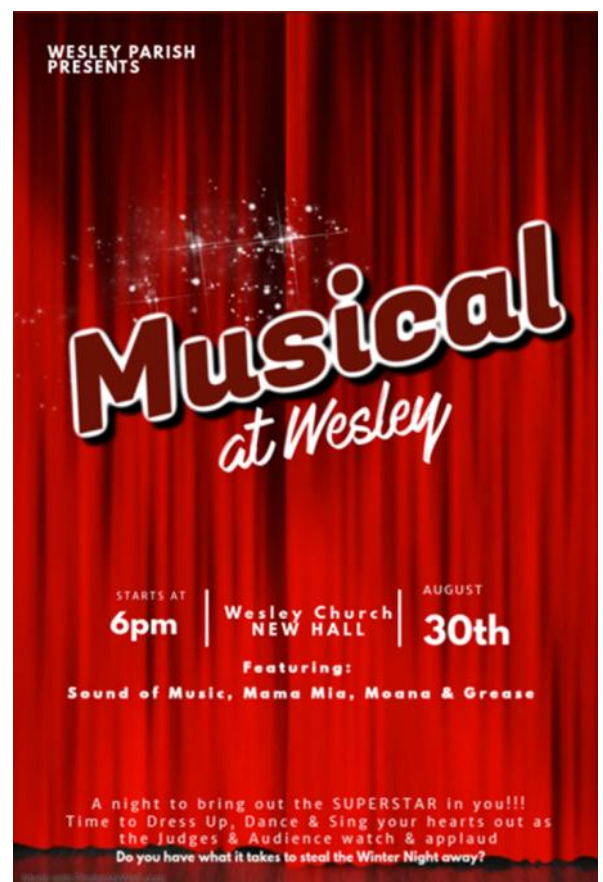
10am: Hugh Laurenson & Fabiefara Masoe

Tongan: Pulupaki Pouvalu & Luseanne Meafoou

Samoan: Marina Holmes & Marcus Tuma'ai

Fijian: William Bower and Dianna Revell

You should be able to get more information from your reps.



Festival singers

St Mary of the Angels Choir

Experience the uplifting power of Handel's Messiah this winter with a special afternoon performance at 3pm on Saturday, 19 July 2025, at St James' Anglican Church, Lower Hutt.

Handel's Messiah

3pm on Saturday, 19 July 2025

St James' Anglican Church, 71 Woburn Road, Lower Hutt

THEME FOR APRIL:

SEASON OF EASTER

10AM		Sunday Roster		<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>	
<i>Sunday 13 July (Pentecost 5)</i>				Worship Leader	Shelly Rao
Worship Leader	Phillip Garside	Organist	Colin Scarf	Organist	Vivien Chiu
Organist	Leatuavao	Notices & Welcome	Alan Dine	Notices & Welcome	Alan Dine
Notices & Welcome	Leatuavao	Bible Reader	Sarah Laurenson	Bible Reader	Sarah Laurenson
Bible Reader	Heather Garside	Door Stewards	Lepa & Sana	Door Stewards	Lepa & Sana
Door Stewards	Alan Dine & Leatuavao Leatuavao	Morning tea	Sarah Laurenson & Alan Dine	Morning tea	Sarah Laurenson & Alan Dine
Morning tea	Garside Family				

12pm		Tongan Congregation		<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>	
<i>Sunday 13 July (Pentecost 5)</i>				Worship Leader	Father ‘Akuila Talia’uli
Worship Leader	Kolosaini Taulata	Lead Worship	Fifita Pouvalu	Lead Worship	Siosifa Aniseko
Lead Worship					

2pm		Samoan Congregation		<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>	
<i>Sunday 13 July (Pentecost 5)</i>				Worship Leader	Muaimalae Te’o
Worship Leader	Suiva’aia Te’o	Lead Worship	To be confirmed	Lead Worship	To be confirmed
Lead Worship					

12.30pm		Fijian Congregation		(Winter Service in Old Hall)	
<i>Sunday 13 July (Pentecost 5)</i>				<i>Sunday 20 July (Pentecost 6)</i>	
Worship Leader	Rusiate Takalaiyale	Worship Leader	Iliesa Tora	Worship Leader	Iliesa Tora
Lead Worship	Joritani	Lead Worship	Mudrenicagi	Lead Worship	Mudrenicagi
Lead Worship					