



Parramatta  
Mission



uniting  
church  
in Australia,  
Synod of NSW & ACT

*OUR NEWS for 8th October 2017*



*Congregational life @  
Westmead & Parramatta,  
Hospitality, Community and  
Mental Health Services across  
Greater Sydney and beyond*

*Our Vision*

*A Community Transforming Lives  
Our Values, Grace, Inclusion, Dignity,  
Faith and Hope*

## THANKS - PA/ TECH CREW

We have a great group of new and established volunteers working as part of our PA/Tech crew for Sunday morning services and special events. Each member pitches in and does their best. The task isn't always easy, as tech matters can be complex and at times - very unpredictable! Many thanks guys - we truly value your efforts and the time you give to this important job in the life and witness of our congregation.



## DO YOU HAVE A GIFT FOR HELPING?

Are you able to give some time once a month to being a steward/welcomer? We are always looking for happy faces to greet members and visitors, help with handing out newsletters, collecting the offering and looking after some other key jobs to keep services running smoothly. Also needed are communion helpers, morning tea helpers and others to fulfil various tasks within the busy life of our congregation. Volunteers are also needed for special events - such as our Community Peace Dinner coming up on 2<sup>nd</sup> December. If you'd like to join a worship roster, please see Malcolm - or speak with any of the congregation leaders and you'll be directed to a specific activity co-ordinator. Many thanks!

## OCTOBER @ LEIGH: KEY DATES

LEIGH Congregation

**14 & 28 Oct** - Saturday Night Youth Group @ Leigh - see Samantha

**15 Oct** - 9.30am: Sunday School returns for Term 4, contributions by the Music Team and a 45th anniversary acknowledgement of five ordinations held at Leigh Memorial in 1972

**22 Oct** - 9.30am: Baptism (Keith officiating)

**25 Oct** - ACW - World Community Day service and morning tea (Salvos Parramatta) - see Margie

**29 Oct** - 10.00am: Combined Service - including Reformation 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**PASTORAL CARE: LIFTS TO CHURCH/ OTHER ASSISTANCE** - If you need a lift to church or have any other special support needs, please make these known to any member of our Leaders' team and every effort will be made to assist. Prayers & thoughts for everyone in our congregation who is also currently un-well/unable to come to church - we miss you and hope that you'll be able to join us again soon! Prayer requests can be conveyed to the Prayer Chain (via Samantha) and LEAP group (via Manas).

## **FELLOWSHIP BUS TRIP**

This Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October the fellowship bus trip is happening. We will be going to Lynwood country Club. Cost \$30 which includes lunch and bus money. Please speak to Sue or Rev Christine to include your name. We will leave the church at 10.45, pickup from Helen St at 11.00 and Darcy Road at 11.15am.

## **TOC**

Thanks to Robyne and others for opening TOC last Tuesday. TOC will be closed on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> as we will be on the Fellowship Bus Trip.

## **USED GLASSES AND SUNGLASSES**

If you have used glasses and sunglasses, prescription or non-prescription, then please bring them in and give to Robyne. They are able to be reused to assist people in Papua New Guinea with eyesight problems or needing sunglasses to help protect their eyes.

## **THANKYOU**

Thank you for your patience as different sections are blocked off for painting and other changes. The car parking will continue be disrupted until all of the work has been finished. Please pray for all who are involved in the works around 175. We are very close to the work being completed and gardening is starting to happen.

## **HOLIDAYS**

Rev Christine is having 3 weeks holidays commencing the 16<sup>th</sup> October. During this time the elders will be on deck to assist people as needed. Lena will be involved in leading worship across the 3 weeks. Please assist her and pray for her as she engages us using her gifts. Rev Christine will be back on deck for Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

NB No TOC for 10<sup>th</sup> with the Bus trip for the fellowship.

WESTMEAD Congregation

### **DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others Worship**

**Sundays 9.45am**

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm **(NB No study for Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October)**

Fellowship- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October for local bus trip.

### **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Time Out Café (TOC)- Tues/Thurs 11.00-1.30pm

**(NB No TOC for Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct).**

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am

성령강림절 제19주(Pentecost Sunday) 2017년 10월08일 오후 1시 30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) 새 1 장 통 1 장 만복의 근원 하나님 다함께

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed) ..... 다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 36 장 통 36 장 주 예수 이름 높이어

새 149 장 통 147 장 주 달려 죽은 십자가

기도 (Prayer) 주기도문송 새 635장 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지 다함께

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 마가복음 2:1-12

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 사이(間隔)없는 사이

봉헌 송(Offertory Hymn) 새 433 장 통 490 장 귀하신 주여 날 불드사

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 봄철 건강과 마음의 평강을 위해 함께 기도합니다
2. 매일 성경 말씀 묵상으로 주님과 친밀한 교제의 시간을 누리며 승리하시기 바랍니다
3. 기도제목: 전도와 선교에 앞장서는 하나님의 자녀로 살아갑시다.

폐회찬송(Final Hymn) 새502장 통 259장 빛의 사자들이여 어서가서 (1)

축도 전현구 담임목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부  
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시  
예레미야 13:1-1

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시  
예레미야11:18-14:12

School term starts this week and so does Youth. Friday 13th @ Coffee Shop at 7.00pm!!



Invite your friends

## FIJIAN

- **Vuli Sere** : 10.30am na mataka ni Siga Tabu ena Hall
- Sa taba toka e ra na I tuvatuva ni So-Kalou ni vula tolu. Kerei me yadravi ka masulaki tiko nai tavi. Vinaka saka vakalevu

DATE	VUNAU	VUNAU LESI	VUNAU VAKARAU	TU-VAKARAU VEILIUTAKI	TALI VUNAU	COMMUNION
8-Oct	A.Allison	I.Foiakau		Youth		
15-Oct	Rooty Hill	S.Tuiloma	S.Qata	M3	M2	
22-Oct	S.Qata		A.Vocea	M1		
29-Oct	Lotu Cokovata kei Leigh					
5-Nov	Rev K.Hamilton Vakayakavi ni Turaga		S.Toa	M2		A.Allison/ V.Kamotu
12-Nov	F.Kamotu		A.Allison	Youth		
19-Nov	A.Vocea		J.Foiakau	M3		
26-Nov	Fiji Parish	J.Foiakau	S.Tuiloma	M1	M3	
3-Dec	Rev K.Hamilton Vakayakavi ni Turaga		S.Toa	M2		I.Foiakau/ A.Vocea
10-Dec	I.Foiakau		A.Allison	Youth		
17-Dec	S.Tuioma		F.Kamotu	M3		
24-Dec	V.Kamotu		J.Foiakau	M1		
25-Dec	Siga ni Sucu—Lotu Cokovata kei Leigh					
31-Dec	F.Kamotu		S.Qata	M2		
31-Dec	Lotu ni Vakavinavinaka					



**CASTLEREAGH  
UNITING CHURCH**

**CASTLEREAGH  
CHRISTIAN  
CONFERENCE CENTRE**

Warmly invite you  
in the presence of

*Mr Stuart McMillan*

*The President of The Uniting Church in Australia*

To the Celebration of our  
**200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
of the first official Wesleyan Chapel in Australia  
297-305 Old Castlereagh Rd Castlereagh  
**8th October 2017**

**Morning Seminar Programme**

Commencing at 10am

- 10am Guest Speaker – **Mr. Stuart McMillan**
- 10:30am Guest Speaker – **Aboriginal Elder**
- 11am Guest Speaker – **Rev Russell Davies**

at 11:30am you are invited  
to the viewing of the Heritage site  
**“The Sacred Acre”**

Followed at 12 noon a Lunch for Seminar participants

**Afternoon Program**

All are welcome to join the

**Sunday Worship Celebration**

2pm on the 8th October 2017

Afternoon tea will follow the Service,

**RSVP by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017**

For enquires please contact Marcia or Barbara on:  
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e: [academyaccomm@bigpond.com](mailto:academyaccomm@bigpond.com)  
or PO Box 448 Cranebrook NSW 2749



## You are invited to a free seminar

Hosted by Northmead Parramatta Community Mens Shed, in conjunction with Beyond Blue and the Pastoral Counselling Institute.

### Dealing With Depression and Anxiety

**Thursday October 12**

**Sausage sizzle lunch from 12.30pm**  
(donation appreciated)

**Seminar begins 1.45pm**



**Northmead Uniting  
Church hall**



**3-7 Hammers Rd, Northmead**

All are welcome to this informative seminar with guest speaker Jeremy Suggett from Beyond Blue.

**For more information please phone 9890 5814.**

**For catering purposes for the sausage sizzle, please phone 9890 5814 by Monday October 9 if you would like to come.**



## Matthew 21: 33-46

33 Jesus told another parable. "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and put a hedge around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower, and leased it to tenants, and set out on a journey. 34 And when the fruit season drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to receive his fruit. 35 And the tenants took his servants and, this one they flogged, that one they killed and another they stoned. 36 Again he sent other servants, more than the first time, and they did the same to them. 37 Finally he sent his son to them saying, 'They will respect my son'. 38 But when the tenants saw his son they said among themselves, 'This is the heir; come on! Let us kill him and let us take possession of his inheritance.' 39 And they took him and cast him outside the vineyard and killed him. 40 Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do with those tenants?" 41 They said to him, "He will destroy those evil people in a wretched death, and give the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruit in their seasons." 42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'A stone which the builders rejected, became the head of the corner; this came from the Lord, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?" 43 Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and will be given to a nation yielding its fruit. [44 And whoever falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; but on whomever it falls it will crush to powder.]" 45 When the chief Priests and Pharisees heard his parables, they knew that he spoke about them. 46 All the while they were wanting to seize him, yet they feared the crowds who regarded Jesus as a prophet.

*Translation by Keith Hamilton*

## Reflections

Here is a warning about how we welcome or not the prophets in our midst. Their message is both devastating and life-giving.

Last week the Synod 2017 was held. The Synod meets every 18 months. Members are drawn from across the Uniting Church in NSW and ACT.



The Synod meeting commenced with the installation of the new Moderator, Rev Simon Hansford. He will hold this position of leadership for the next three years. Sunday morning people were invited to attend local churches, then attend a Synod BBQ.



The synod elected Rev Jane Fry as the next General Secretary. Jane acknowledged in her reply that she is 62 (all power to the 62 year olds I say!!!), and we should look ahead, as well as tell our story of faith. On the stage in his alb on the left is Rev Simon Hansford, Moderator, on the right in front of the cross is Rev Jane Fry, new General Secretary of the Synod, who was inducted into the new position during the Synod communion service.

Other business included, Pulse: resourcing to grow the youthfulness of the church, Pathways: developing ways to assist members of the church to speak about their faith in Jesus Christ with others; Saltbush: a way of resourcing rural ministry; Bible studies and worship, and much time to engage with others and hear firsthand about what is happening in our church across NSW and the ACT.



Synod held a Conversation about Marriage. 2012 Assembly tasked the doctrine committee to prepare a theology on marriage. What constitutes a healthy relationship. The Assembly in July 2018 will seek to make a statement on marriage. The UCA is in discussion with a range of people and groups across the church, encouraging congregations, Presbyteries and Synods to discuss the matter and make responses available to the Assembly.

People from LBGTIQ groups and also with Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress and also Multicultural groups are also being consulted. The church encourages discussion to take place in a "space for grace." Space for grace is a compassionate place in which people can listen and share in a safe place where there is space for God's grace, using respectful conversations, where differences of opinion are encouraged and respected, where people are invited to listen to each other. There are three questions that the Synod was asked to reflect upon: • Share your hopes and concerns about our conversation around marriage • In what mutually respectful ways could we move together as a Church that reflects the breadth of who we are as the UCA? •What matters would you like the Assembly Standing Committee to consider as it prepares for a discussion on this matter at the 15th Assembly?

Blessings, Keith Hamilton



Uniting Church Hawkesbury Zone to present:

# “TWILIGHT OF JAZZ”

On the banks of the Hawkesbury River -  
at Ebenezer Church

**3:30pm Sunday OCTOBER 15**

Featuring

**“THE JAZZ MEN”**

Paul Thomson & Tom Carter



Accompanied by Singers:  
Anita Barnett-Smith &  
Jessica Ferraro



WEST PAPUAN  
DEVELOPMENT COMPANY



TICKETS \$15 per head - School Students Free

To pre book your tickets call Rebecca on  
0439 309 303 or visit our facebook page.

Tickets will be available on the night, **if NOT SOLD OUT!**

**Bring your chairs, blanket & a wine etc.**

There will be a sausage sizzle and steak sandwiches, with freshly made  
gourmet salads, cakes and goodies for sale.

Coffee, tea, soft drinks and slushies will also be available to purchase.

All funds raised go to the West Papuan Development Company - for clean water wells.

***Foster your faith this week***

***Ex 32:1-14 Ps 106:1-6, 19-23***

***Phil 4:1-9 Mt 22:1-14***

## **PARRAMATTA MISSION CHURCH COUNCIL**

The Church Council has determined that the minutes of its meeting should be made available to any interested congregation members. The only exception would be matters of a sensitive or confidential nature.

A small number of copies of the last Church Council minutes are available from the Stewards. A copy of the minutes can also be obtained by contacting Robert key on 9624 1797 or [robert.key@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:robert.key@parramattamission.org.au)

Leigh goes  
**IRISH**



**A Celtic Music Variety  
Family Concert**

**Date:** Saturday 4th November, 2017. **Time:** 7:00pm

**Venue:** Leigh Memorial Uniting Church  
119 Macquarie Street, Parramatta

**Cost:** donation for the work of Parramatta Mission

Further information: phone 0425 391 152



Leif Selby



Val Smith

## SAT 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017 SPORTS BREAKFAST

### Guest Speakers: 2 Lawn Bowling World Champions

Come and join us for breakfast and listen to world champion lawn bowlers Leif Selby and Val Smith tell how they became the world's best. Leif and Val will not only tell their story but there will also be a time for questions. \$10 will get you a hot breakfast as well as tea and coffee. Arrive at 7.45am to start at 8.00 am.



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## Leif Selby

4-time World  
Champion

## Val Smith

2008 World  
Champion

### Where & When:

Greystanes Uniting  
Church

7.45 to start at 8am

**Bookings Essential.**

**Only 60 seats  
available!**

**Don't miss out.**

### GREYSTANES UNITING CHURCH

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# RICK PRICE

BROUGHT TO LIFE A 'DEAD MAN WALKIN' TOUR

ON STAGE  
2PM



SUN OCT 22 WINDSOR UNITING CHURCH

CNR MACQUARIE & FITZGERALD, WINDSOR NSW

Tickets at: [www.rickprice.com](http://www.rickprice.com) [www.facebook.com/RickPriceOfficial](http://www.facebook.com/RickPriceOfficial) 

**Facilitator:**  
**Rev. Ellie Elia**



Rev. Ellie Elia lives in the Blue Mountains with her husband Andrew and their two boys, and is the minister at Abbotsbury Uniting Church in South-West Sydney. With her background in the Dramatic Arts, Ellie is passionate about nurturing the spiritual imagination and practices of our church and communities.

## **WEST EPPING WOMEN**

warmly invite you to  
join us at

### **Leura Uniting Church**

on

**Saturday  
28<sup>th</sup> October  
2017**

**10:00am – 3:30pm**

**Cost: \$30**

**(includes morning tea,  
lunch and craft material)**

*Join us for a special day  
where we can connect with  
other women, grow in our  
faith, and share with others  
in a safe place - loving,  
learning and laughing  
together.*

# Prayer Points

*The Parramatta Mission congregations invite you to join in prayers for:*

- ♥ *PM congregations at Parramatta and Westmead, and hospitality, community and mental health services that extend right across Sydney to Lithgow, Central Coast and Hunter Valley, and support service, and the residents, guests, visitors, consumers, clients whom we meet and journey with every day of the year. We also pray for staff (some who have been with us more than 10 years) and clients connected with HASI Western Sydney and Central Coast following the loss of those contracts, and the setting up of new HASI programs in the Hunter Valley.*
- ♥ *For guidance for the decision to call a chaplain to link PM with the WSU campuses, and a chaplain to link Wesley Apartments and the children's hospital at Westmead.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: Joan, Hazel, Betty, Wilhemina, Col, Aunty Jo, Victoria & family, Vulawalu family, Mary, Liz, the Leaders' team, Youth Group & Sunday School children and families.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Akisi Allison, Toa and Lee family, Seru family, Adriu Rogoimuri, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani,*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Nancy, Jean, Michels, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, Rev Veitinia, Flora, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Billie, Vita, Satik, Nancy, Caroline and David A, Mr and Mrs B and family, Col, Al, Jan and her family, Mrs G and family, Judy, Shanika and family, Lee and her family, Ashima and Anusha Saxena, Mr and Mrs T, Lyn and Beth, Lena, Sheila W, Ruth and Lela, Rev Christine and family, Max, Mr and Mrs S, Sophie and her family, Mark and his family.*
- ♥ *UC congregations of the Cumberland Zone: Dundas/Ermington, Northmead, North Rocks, Carlingford, West Epping, Centenary, Wentworthville, Holroyd, Greystanes, Grantham Heights, Parramatta Mission, Auburn.*
- ♥ *For the worship, witness and service of Springwood Uniting Church-We ask God to help us to be gentle and effective witnesses as we serve and engage with families and community members through our missional activities. We pray that through our annual Fair Trade Fair on the 11<sup>th</sup> Nov we may grow relationships of trust and be positive advocates for faith,. We pray for growth of fresh expressions of Church such as our Spirited Bushwalks*
- ♥ *We join with churches around the world to pray for Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan*

***Pastoral message for this week....***

**YES or NO,  
you are still loved by God,  
and you are still welcome here.**

# Worship Services at Parramatta Mission

**Mon to Fri 9.00am - 2.00pm**

**Tuesday 1.10pm**

**Sunday 9.30am**



**9.45am**

**11.15am**

**1.30pm**

**7.00pm**

**Open Church @ Leigh Memorial**

**Holy Communion @ Leigh**

**Leigh Memorial Congregation @ Leigh**

**Westmead Congregation @ Westmead**

**Leigh Fijian Congregation @ Leigh**

**Korean Faith Community @ Leigh**

**Praise, Prayer, Cake & Coffee @ Leigh**

## Contacts

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**Leigh Fijian Congregation:** 9891 2277

**Leigh Korean Faith Community Minister:** Rev Hyun Goo Jun 0433 320 588

**Leigh Memorial Church,** 119 Macquarie St, Parramatta

**Westmead Congregation:** Rev Christine Bayliss Kelly 0409 925 607

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