

OUR NEWS  
25th February 2018



Parramatta  
Mission



uniting  
church  
in Australia,  
Synod of NSW & ACT

## Our Vision

A Community Transforming Lives

Our Values, Grace, Inclusion, Dignity, Faith and Hope



Congregational life @ Westmead & Parramatta,  
Hospitality, Community and Mental Health Services across  
Greater Sydney, Central Coast, Hunter and Mid-North Coast

Parramatta Mission acknowledges that all of our work and our  
36 sites are on the land of traditional owners.

We pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land on  
which we gather, and acknowledge Elders past and present,  
and emerging leaders.

## LEIGH Congregation

### **WELCOME BACK MANAS!**

A very warm “welcome back” to Rev. Manas after his period of leave. Thanks to Clive and Amelia for their support while Manas was absent - and blessings, thoughts & prayers for Clive ahead of his ‘Closure of Ministry’ as Research Fellow, Public Theology, to be held at St. Stephen’s UC, Macquarie Street Sydney on Tuesday 27 February, 2.30pm. (RSVPs to St. Stephen’s).

**NB:** Clive will be leading Lenten studies on Saturdays 3 & 24 March, 10 - 11.30am, in the Choir Vestry @ Leigh Memorial. Everyone is welcome.

### **SURVEYS**

As a preliminary part of 2018’s ‘Life & Witness’ & ‘Vital Ministry’ consultations, members are being asked to fill out a survey. It’s crucial that everyone completes one. Support & assistance is available, so don’t hesitate to ask. See Ian or the Leaders’ team with any queries and please return your surveys by this Sunday. Thank you for everyone’s assistance in this important process.

### **YOU ARE INVITED: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

On Friday 2 March from 11.00am, Northmead Uniting Church will be hosting a World Day of Prayer program. All welcome! Members are warmly encouraged to attend. Enquiries: Beverly & Ruth.

### **BLESSINGS FROM ALL OF US LEONA!**

In the service this Sunday, Leona from our Sunday School will receive her Year 3 graduation bible. Sponsorship of bibles for our Year 3 students has been a long-term ‘Couples & Friends’ contribution to the future of our church and we are deeply appreciative of the C & F’s generous support. Blessings Leona, and prayers also for your big sister Erika who began high school this year – from all of us at Sunday School @ Leigh.

### **LENT EVENT: ‘FAITH IN ACTION’ - FUNDRAISING**

Focus projects for 2018 are Women’s Rights, Overcoming Poverty & Standing with our Pacific friends in the fight to save their homes from the impacts of climate change. Thanks to everyone for your ongoing support. A ‘cake stall’ fundraiser for ‘Lent Event’ will take place on 18 March.



## PASTORAL MATTERS

The Leigh Memorial congregation sends its love and prayers to Tracey from Reception @ PM, following the recent passing of her Mum. You're in our prayers Tracey. Thoughts & prayers also for Joan, Jolame and other members who are unwell or hospitalized. Please convey prayer requests to LEAP & the Prayer Chain.

## VOLUNTEER ROSTERS @ LEIGH

The Worship Committee is currently formulating new Stewards, PA & Open Church rosters for 2018. If you would like to help, even for an hour here or there, please let Robert or Liz know asap.

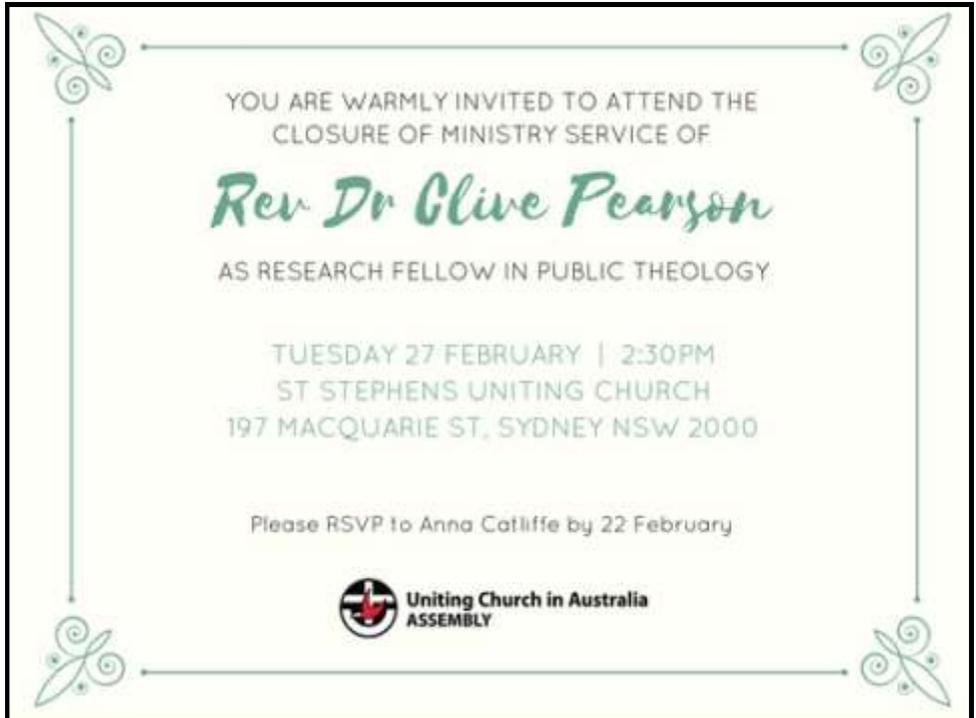
## EASTER DATES @ LEIGH

**Palm Sunday** – Sunday 25 March: 'Palm Walk' in Centenary Square, 9.30am + Worship, 10.00am (Combined).

**Maundy Thursday** - Thursday 29 March: 'Tenebrae', inc. Stations of the Cross @ Leigh. Includes a light supper. RSVPs to the Leaders' team for catering purposes by 25 March.

**Good Friday** – Friday 30 March – 9.00am service @ Leigh (Combined Service).

**Easter Sunday** – Sunday 1 April – 9.30am service @ Leigh.



YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE  
CLOSURE OF MINISTRY SERVICE OF

*Rev Dr Glive Pearson*

AS RESEARCH FELLOW IN PUBLIC THEOLOGY

TUESDAY 27 FEBRUARY | 2:30PM  
ST STEPHENS UNITING CHURCH  
197 MACQUARIE ST, SYDNEY NSW 2000

Please RSVP to Anna Catliffe by 22 February

 Uniting Church in Australia  
ASSEMBLY

The invitation card features a decorative border with floral motifs in each corner. The text is centered and uses a mix of green and black colors. The name 'Rev Dr Glive Pearson' is written in a cursive font, while the rest is in a clean, sans-serif font.

*About 20 young people from Leigh Fijian attended Campbelltown Uniting Fijian Congregation's first Youth-Led worship last Sunday. We found it important to respond to their invitation and support them on their new journey. It was also a response to the issues raised at the Fijian National Conference requesting elders and leaders to listen, and give space to young people. **It was a great afternoon of thanksgiving and praise.***

*We enjoyed talanoa over afternoon tea and kava!*

*And look forward to more gatherings in the future.*

**Ofa Foiakau**



**Sunday School**

*Hope your forms are back with the **Levi and Sireli Tuiloma today.** If not, please get a form and fill it at the earliest.*

Sydney KCO 2018  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018



**WHAT IS KIDS CAMPOUT?**

Kids Camp Out (KCO) is an annual event run by a team of people from the NSW/ACT Synod of the Uniting Church in Australia. The aim of KCO is to provide an opportunity whereby children can experience the wider church family through fun, worship and learning.

**PALM SUNDAY on 25th of March**, walk and wave palm fronds from Centenary Square at 9.30. Combine service with Leigh at 10.00a.m

**Multicultural Service, 11th March at 11.15am.** Major General (retired) Sitiveni Rabuka, former Prime Minister of Fiji will be guest preacher

U18 7s Team from Ratu Kadavulevu School to worship and share a meal with us on Sunday 8th April.

	Vunau	Vunau Lesi	Tu Vakarau	Tuvakarau Veiliutaki	Tali	Communion
4-Mar	Rev K. Hamilton Vulavou/Holy Communion		S.Foiakau			S. Toa S.Tuiloma
11-Mar	Multicultural Worship		A.Allison	Youth		
18-Mar	Rooty Hill/Campbelltown	S.Tuiloma Rooty Hill	S.Toa	M3	M3	

# WESTMEAD Congregation

## **PARRAMATTA MISSION CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY**

Today there is a survey available for people in the three congregations. When completing the survey please fill in as many questions as you are able and feel free to leave those you don't feel you can answer. For those people who are not confident in completing the survey there will be time following the service today, Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>. Likewise for people who attempt to complete the survey but have questions arising from the survey there will be opportunity to talk about it with Rev Christine. The Church council wishes to have as many people as possible give some feedback as part of the life and witness process.

## **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

We have been inundated with people wanting to join Play Groups. This is wonderful and shows how important it is to support families in Westmead. For those who are interested in assisting a current Working with Children Check is required. If you are interested in helping out from time to time, please see Rev Christine.

## **BOWLS DAY**

We will have another Bowls day on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, All welcome.

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

The World Day of Prayer is on Friday 2nd March 2018 at Northmead Uniting Church. The focus will be on Suriname, a country in the North part of South America. All are welcome to attend and for those needing transport please place your name on the list in the foyer. For further information please speak with Lorna or Rev Christine.

## **LENT EVENT**

Unitingworld raises money each year to assist with projects overseas, especially with people who are vulnerable. There are brochures on the table in the foyer.

## **SPECIAL SERVICE FOR COMMENCEMENT OF CHAPLAINS**

There is a special service on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 6.00pm at the WSU Parramatta Square campus for the Induction of Rev Dr Amelia Koh-Butler as Uni Chaplain and Sarah Bishop as Chaplain at the Children's Hospital. All are welcome to attend but please rsvp to Rev Christine.

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

### **Sundays 9.45am**

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm

Fellowship- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 2.00pm

### **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

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

Play Group – Mondays and Wednesdays 9.00-10.45am

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am

## Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16

1. When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." 3 Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4 "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7 I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. 15 God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her." (NRSV)

### Reflections

A covenant relationship is commenced. It starts with an elderly couple. They at first cannot believe the promise, because they are focused on limits and deficits, but God is the God of abundance, as the couple will soon learn.

This week Rev Billy Graham, world renowned evangelist died at the age of 99. Many will recall going to one of his crusades in Sydney in 1959, 69 and 79. The 1959 crusade was held at the Sydney showground, and changes the lives of many. One of the hymns that was popularised by these crusades was *How great thou art*.

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,  
consider all the works thy hand has made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy power throughout  
the universes displayed:

*Then sings my soul,  
my Saviour God, to thee,  
How great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul,  
my Saviour God, to thee,  
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

2. When through the woods  
and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down  
from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook,  
and feel the gentle breeze;

3. But when I think that God,  
his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die – I scarce can take it in  
that on the cross, our burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin:

4. When Christ shall come  
with shout of acclamation  
and take me home –  
what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,  
and thee proclaim:

My God, how great thou art! *(TIS 155 Copyright. Licensed. CCLI)*



Link2home trainees met with our Youth Services for a tour and meet and greet with management and staff. This was a great benefit to all the trainees as it gives them first hand insight into the services/refuges we refer to and an opportunity to speak with the teams about how the service is run and the challenges faced each day.



With Amelia at the WSU O week. The Uni, like our campus in Parramatta, is in the midst of a construction site, in the centre of a CBD, which communicates messages about learning being at the centre as well as on the fringes, PM is at the centre of the city as well as on the fringes and in rural areas.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton

두 번째 사순절(2nd Lent of Sunday) 2018년 02월25일 오후 1시30

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 15 장** **통 55장** 하나님의 크신 사랑

**새 494 장** **통 188 장** 만세 반석 열리니

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

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) **누가복음 15:11-34**

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 **하나님 나라에서는 ?!**

봉헌 송(Offertory Hymn)  
**새 310 장** **통 410 장** 아 하나님의 은혜로

**나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)**

1. 새해 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 담임목

QT나눔 & 성경공부  
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시  
사도행전22:12-29

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시  
사도행전 21:37-24:23



# SAVE *the* DATE

**RAISING  
HOPE**

**07 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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Mark it in your calendar! Our Annual Fundraising Gala will be held again this year at the Parkroyal Parramatta on September 7th.

Tickets and information will be available through our website [www.parramattamission.org.au/raisinghope](http://www.parramattamission.org.au/raisinghope)

Email [raisinghope@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:raisinghope@parramattamission.org.au) to find out about sponsorship and how you can be involved.

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

God knows you  
God loves you  
God blesses you

World Day of Prayer

It's this week!

Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Time: 11am

at Northmead Uniting Church  
followed by light refreshments.

Why not come along?

A number of our women will be taking  
part in the prepared service.

***Foster your faith this week***

***Ex 20:1-17    Ps 19***

***1 Cor 1:18-25    Jn 2:13-22***

The Induction of Rev Dr Amelia Koh-Butler as PM Chaplain to WSU in Parramatta and Westmead, and commissioning of Sarah Bishop as chaplain to The Children's Hospital, Westmead, and pastoral care of Wesley Apartments, will take place at the city campus of WSU, this **Friday March 2, 6pm.**

Park at the Fellowship Centre and walk over, or park at Horwood Place carpark.

Refreshments will follow.

All welcome,



# Prayer Points

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

- ♥ PM congregations at Parramatta and Westmead, and the hospitality, community and clinical/mental health services that extend right across Greater Sydney to Blue Mountains, Central Coast and Hunter Valley, Mid-North Coast. This includes programs, activities, support services. Prayers for congregants, staff and volunteers, also for the residents, guests and patients; consumers, clients, and members; callers and visitors, whom we meet and journey with every day of the year.
- ♥ For PM's WSU Chaplain, Amelia, and Westmead Children's Hospital Chaplain, Sara, as they form foundational relationships and serve in their new communities. For international students as they start arriving at 100 George St or enrolling at 169 Macquarie St.
- ♥ PM Leigh Memorial: The Owen & Jackson families, Joan, Marcel, Hazel, Betty, Wilhemina, Col, Auntie Jo, Victoria & family, Jolame, our Leaders team and Sunday School/ Youth teams.
- ♥ PM Leigh Fijian: Akisi Allison, Adriu Rogoimuri, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani.
- ♥ PM Westmead: David and Jan, Justice and family, Aravind and family, Tanzida, Sushila and family, Eamonn, Nancy, Jean, Angela, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, Rev Veitinia, Flora, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Billie, Vita, Caroline and David A, Col, Al, Mrs G and family, Judy, Shanika and family, Ashima and Anusha Saxena, Lyn, Sheila W, Ruth and Lela, Max, Mr and Mrs S, Sophie and her family, Mark and his family.
- ♥ Members of staff grieving the death of family members.
- ♥ Staff : new program initiatives, "back room" support services
- ♥ Volunteers : recruitment and training
- ♥ 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 Carlingford Uniting Church
- ♥ We join with churches around the world to pray for Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino

# 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

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**Children's Hospital Chaplain :** Sarah Bishop

**PM WSU Chaplain :** Rev Dr Amelia Koh Butler 0427 955 157



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