

OUR NEWS
8th July 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

SUNDAY SCHOOL CREATIVE PROJECT: NAIDOC WEEK (8 – 15 JULY)

Last Sunday, our Sunday School children and youth participated in a special lesson ahead of NAIDOC week (National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee). We discussed Reconciliation and many issues impacting Australia's first peoples, inc. health, education and inter-cultural understanding. During the lesson, we read together a prayer composed for NAIDOC by Bishop Mabo of the National Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Ecumenical Commission, while Ken led us in a creative project highlighting the implicit connection between Aboriginal people and nature/ the land. Thanks to our teachers, helpers and kids for their enthusiastic efforts this term. We are now on a break for the winter school holidays, with classes resuming for Term 3 on Sunday 29 July. Colouring-in and other learning activities for children (including pencils and clipboards) are permanently available in the church vestibule. Please see the stewards if you need assistance. Enquiries: Liz and Samantha. Please contact us via 9891-2277 or LeighMemorialUniting@gmail.com.



NAIDOC PRAYER (composed by Bishop Mabo of NATSIEC in 2012):

“Creator God – we pray for this land, our culture, our customs. our languages, our people and our nation. Gather us together to look after this land, so that the beauty of our mother earth may be preserved for all future generations. Jesus, our brother, give us your grace, to be united in one mind, in one heart and in one action so that we can continue the journey of reconciliation, and enable all Australians to work together in love, peace and joy. We ask you, God the Holy Spirit: overshadow us with your presence. We ask you to guide all people, whether black, white or yellow, so that we can truly learn and have better understanding in the knowledge of language and culture in this land, Australia. Amen.”

CONGRATULATIONS

Congrats to Stuart Hunt, who has just become a grandfather. Prayers for daughter Laura and her husband and baby girl, plus all the family as they share in this very special time together. Congratulations also to Col Gray, who was recently honoured at an event for long serving members of the Parramatta Eels football club (Col is the longest serving) – and by the company responsible for some of his medical improvements. Col's story was warmly received by the staff and workers.

'EXPLORING THE WAY OF PAUL'

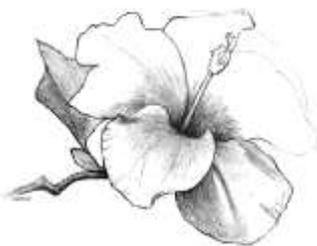
Remaining dates in Clive's study series are **21 July** and **August 4 & 18** – 10.00-11.30am, Saturday mornings in the Choir Vestry at Leigh Memorial. Open to all/no cost. Enquiries: Clive.

PARRAMATTA LANES IS BACK!

Great news – our Macquarie Street site, inc. Leigh Memorial, will again be part of Parramatta Council's 'Lanes' event in October of this year! Those interested in being part of a team of volunteers in the church over the four evenings of the event are welcome to give their names to Liz or Ian. Our Coffee Shop is going to be transformed into a retro diner/ hamburger café. Regular updates will be provided between now and October for what is sure to be a positive and vibrant opportunity for connectivity with our Parramatta community. Please pray for the organizing committee as ideas for the event are gathered & developed.

IMPORTANT PROPERTY MESSAGE: CLEANERS CUPBOARD

Congregation groups using the Coffee Shop and Hall are kindly asked not to use the vacuum cleaner or other supplies in the cleaner's cupboard. Items are not being returned in a tidy manner. A vacuum cleaner specifically for congregation use in the Coffee Shop is being arranged. As a broader consideration - please neatly return all items used during time on our premises. This also applies to microphones & cords in the church. Thanks.



Foster your faith this week

2Sm 6:1-5, 12b-19

Ps 24

Eph 1:3-14

Mk 6:14-29

시드니 조은 교회 Sydney Jo-Eun Church

16-27

성령강림후 7주일 (7th Pentecost Sunday) 08 07 2018 오후 1시 30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 전현구 목사

송영 (Gloria) 새 1장 통 1장 찬양 성부 성자 성령

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed)다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns)

새 35 장 통 50 장 큰 영화로우신 주

새 144 장 통 144 장 예수 나를 위하여

기도 (Prayer) 다함께

주기도문송 새 635 장 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 마가복음 5: 25-34

말씀 (Preaching)- 전현구 목사 네 믿음이 너를 구원했다!

봉헌 찬송 (Offertory Hymn)

새 545 장 통 344 장 이 눈에 아무증거 아니 보어도

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

할렐루야! 오늘 함께 예배드린 여러분에게 주님이 주시는 평안이 충만하시길 축복합니다

- 성령충만함으로 주께서 주신 사명 잘 감당하는 건강한 교회로 세워지길 기도합니다
- 매일 성경으로 묵상하는 QT를 하고 격용하는 훈련을 합니다.
- 한 영혼을 구원하는 전도에 자원하는 마음으로 열심히 동참합니다.

폐회 찬송 (Final Hymn) 새 502장 통 259장 빛의 사자들이여 어서가서(1)

축도 (Benediction) 전현구 담임목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부
주일 오후4:00

수요기도회 :오후 7시
시편 112:1-10

새벽기도회 : 오전6시
시편 110:1-115:18

Veisiko kei na Vakayakavi ni Turaga: Tomani tiko na cakacaka ni veisiko nei Talatala Clive ka toso cake tikoga na vakatagede ni nodra qaravi na Tauvimate kei ira na Qase cake. Vakavinavinaka taki na Kalou ena bula nei John Allison (Turaga wati Dia), bula na talonoa ena nona sikovi ena Siga Moniti sa oti. Sa yaco tiko na lewa ni Kalou ka sa vakabulabula tiko e vale o Dale, marautaka nona sikovi ena Siga Tusiti. “Qo se qai matai ni gauna meu vakayagataka kina e Ositerelia noqu yaya ni gunu waini dau vakayagataki ena veisiko e vale.” Qori na ka a kaya o Talatala Clive ena Siga Lotu Levu ena nona veisiko ka caka Gunu Waini vei Niko Balavu kei Etuate na tavalena. Tu na lalawa mera qaravi vakakina na lewe ni vavakoso tale e so – Adriu Rogoimuri, Dale Tonawai kei na so tale.



Masumasu: Eda vakauqeti me tomani tiko na masumasu e noda dui veiyasa ni koro.

Sunday School: Vakacagicagi ena vuku ni sereki ni vuli.

Youth: Ena cegu tiko na Youth ena loma ni rua na macawa ni sereki.

Vuli Sere: Yakavi ni Siga Vakaraubuka ena 8 na kaloko ena Coffee Shop; meda yaco totolo mai ena mataka ni Siga Tabu(10.30am) me vakadre na sere.

Tiki ni Siga Meda Nanamaki kina:

Ke ko gadreva me vakaraibalevu/vakatitobu taki nomu kila na veika e so baleta na Apositolo ko Paula vakavakarau mai ena vei siga qo – 8 Jul, 22 Jul, 5 Aug, 19 Aug (Vakadonui ena bose meda vakasigalevu vata oti qai caka na vuli.)

Mata ki na Bose ni Uniting Church National Assembly: Eda vakavinavinaka vua na Kalou ni yaco tiko nona veikacivi/veidigitaki ki na bula nei Leviana Tuiloma ka digitaki me mata ki na bose ni National Assembly mai Malevani ena 8 – 14 Jiulai 2018. Me vakalougatataki kemuni ka maroroi kemuni ko Jiova me sobuti kemuni na nona loloma me sala vata kei kemuni na vakacegu ni noda Kalou ko Jiova.

Vakanuinui Vinaka ena qaravi tavi

FIJIAN Congregation

Date	Vunau	Vunau Lesi	Vunau Vakarau	Tuvakarau Veiliutaki	Tali Vunau	Comm Stewards
15-Jul	Campbelltown	S.Tuiloma (R/Hill)	A.Voce	M2	M2	
22-Jul	Fiji Parish	A.Voce	V.Kamotu	M3	M3	
29-Jul	A.Allison		S.Foiakau	M1		

Psalm 48

- 1 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God
His holy mountain,
 - 2 Beautiful in elevation,
is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north.
The city of the great King.
 - 3 Within its citadels God
has shown himself a sure defense.
 - 4 Then the kings assembled,
they came on together,
 - 5 As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;
they were in panic, they took to flight;
 - 6 trembling took hold of them there,
pains as of a woman in labor,
 - 7 as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.
 - 8 As we have heard, so have we seen
in the city of the Lord of hosts,
in the city of our God,
which God establishes forever,
- Selah*
- 9 We ponder your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your Temple,
 - 10 Your name, O God, like your praise,
reaches to the ends of the earth,
Your right hand is filled with victory.
 - 11 Let mount Zion be glad,
let the towns of Judah rejoice
because of your judgements.
 - 12 Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,
 - 13 consider well its ramparts;
go through its citadels,
that you may tell the next generation
 - 14 that this is God, our God forever and ever,
He will be our guide forever.

(NRSV translation)

Reflections

The Psalm is a poem that speaks of God being involved in the city. The Psalm uses exaggeration to make the point, that while the city was not as big as the Psalm suggests, it was difficult for invaders to conquer, though conquer they did. It is written from a position of faith and 'sees' the physical features as symbols of God's presence. An interesting exercise for us today is to look at our local environments, whether the CBD of Parramatta or parts of Sydney, the areas in the Hunter and Mid-North Coast where we provide services that include rural as well as regional for signs and symbols of God's presence. Religious buildings such as churches can be symbols, and why we desire to re-install a steeple on the church in Parramatta as part of the redevelopment. But there are other symbols as well.



The handing over of the Uniting Executive Director baton from Peter Worland to Tracey Burton occurred last week. Uniting is part of the Uniting Church. Structurally, Uniting relates to the church at the state or Synod, which contrasts with parish missions like PM, Wesley, Wayside, Exodus, Newtown, Lismore and Wollongong who all have congregations and relate to the district or Presbytery oversight of the Church.

Congregation report for the period July 2017 to June 2018

	Leigh Memorial	Westmead	Leigh Memorial Fijian	TOTAL
Offering and other income	60,863	44,877	26,250	131,990
LESS Expenditure				
Ministry Placement	101,664	106,192	26,250	234,106
Shortfall	\$ (40,801)	\$ (61,315)	\$ -	\$ (102,116)
Offering as % of Ministry Placement expenditure	60%	42%	100%	56%

Note: The Leigh Fijian Congregation has accumulated an amount of money towards a future ministry placement. The committee working on this (JNC) is about to recommence.

The congregations are to be congratulated on achieving their offering contributions in line with the budget of 17/18. Well done.



Rev Christine's office at Westmead is often full of collections of donations (not the rocking chair) received to be distributed to the services of PM.

Through Rev Manas' ministry, contact has been made with a group of Hindu people. They have become interfaith partners and have worshiped at Leigh on occasions and participated in our interfaith activities. One of their group knitted a suitcase and bag full beanies and sweaters for our Mealsplus clients. The donation was made last Friday, and gratefully received.

The national meeting of the Uniting Church, the Assembly meeting, held every three years, is on 8-14 July. It will be held in Box Hill Town Hall, Melbourne. It includes the installation of the new President, Dr Deirdre Palmer. The current President, Stuart McMillian, has attended a number of functions at PM over the past three years. The theme for the 15th Assembly, and for the next three years is Abundant Grace, Liberating hope. "The theme invites us to live by God's abundant grace – reflecting God's generous and overflowing love, in our relationships with one another, in our local community contexts and in our relationships in the wider world."

You can find out more at: <https://uniting.church/>.

I am going to be on leave for 10 days, travelling with Julie and my sister and brother in law in North Queensland, back on 19 July to lead the Engagement Day. Kathi Boorman will be acting CEO during that time.

Clive Pearson will be doing the reflections whilst I am away for the next 2 weeks.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton

Pastoral message for this week....

**Amazing grace!
There are wonders all around us.
Thanks be to God.**

POSITION VACANT

Northmead Uniting Church

Positions currently available:

Children and Families Ministry Coordinator – 10 -20 hours a week

Northmead Uniting is in an exciting time of transformation.

Northmead is a growing area with the local schools experiencing significant growth in their student numbers. Our church has seen strong support for playgroup but would like to assess if there is more we could be doing to reflect the needs of the community in the children and family space. We would also like to see how we can build a sustainable model to maintain the needed services. So, if this opportunity to explore current and potential activities interests you, please see the attached position description.

To apply for this position please send a letter of application outlining how you meet the competency criteria. The position is for 6 months to 1 year depending on the weekly hours, but with the desire to extend depending on funding opportunities/plans.

Please send applications to:

Uniting Care Committee
Northmead Uniting Church Cottage
5-7 Hammers Rd
Northmead NSW 2152

Closing Date: Tuesday 31st July , 2018

WESTMEAD Congregation

UCA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY- Please pray for all who are part of the Assembly.

The National meeting of the Uniting Church will occur in July. There is a special edition of Westmead Whispers talking about the Assembly and the range of topics which will be discussed. Please read through the paper and use the links provided if you want to read any of the reports or proposals. Today we will have the opportunity to stay back after church, share a light lunch and have a respectful discussion around the possible changes to the Marriage rites for the Uniting Church in Australia. This is one of the topics for the Assembly meeting and whilst no Minister or Lay Religious Celebrant is able to marry same gender couples at this point of time, the Assembly has the responsibility of the marriage rites. Rev Christine has prepared some resources to assist people in thinking through some of the issues and the background. These will be available in the foyer from today.

FOOD FOR MEALS PLUS

Thank you to all who have contributed food across June to be given to Meals Plus. There have also been blankets and clothing. These gifts will assist in providing lunches for people who are homeless or disadvantaged. A special thank you from Paul and Silvia(the cook).

LIFE AND WITNESS CONSULTATION

During July we will have a meeting with some members of the consultation committee. There will be more information once a date has been decided. This meeting is to assist in the review of the Parramatta Mission. We encourage as many people to be involved in the process.

PRESBYTERY FELLOWSHIP GATHERING

Saturday 28th July, at Northmead Uniting Church- 10.00 am for Morning Tea and 10.45 for service. If you would like to attend, please bring your own lunch and tea and coffee will be provided. Day concludes at 2.15.

MULTICULTURAL MORNING TEA

Sunday 29th July is our Multicultural morning tea. Please bring food to share.

DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others Worship

Sundays 9.45am

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm

Fellowship- Tuesday 7th August- Bus Trip- please see Lorna for details
(Cost \$30)

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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

Play Group – Mondays and Wednesdays 9.15-10.45am

NB No Play Group during school holidays

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

NB No Open Door on 11th July.

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am

Prayer Points

The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for:

- ♥ *PM congregations at Parramatta and Westmead, and the PM staff in hospitality, community and clinical/mental health services that extend right across Greater Sydney, Blue Mountains, Northern Beaches, Central Coast and Hunter Valley and Mid-North Coast. We also pray for all the people we contact every day, that we might exhibit the values of grace, inclusion, dignity, faith and hope.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: Jolame, Margaret, Betty B, Joan, Marcel, Betty E, Hazel, Jo, Col, Wilhemina, Hazel, and the de Reland, Dunbar/Smith, Hayes, Jackson families. Also, our Open Church volunteers, the Leigh Memorial Leaders' team, our Sunday School children/teachers, and Youth Group.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Milise Foiakau, Adriu Rogoimuri, Emosi Rogoimuri, Senitiki Qata and family, Akisi Allison, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Jean, Caroline and David A, Josh and his family (Kerryn, Peter and Ben), Mrs E and family, Mary and Aloy and the boys, Silvano, Jinky, Isabella and Gerard, Mary, Jan and her family, Justice and family, Aravind and family, Tanzida, Sushila and family, Nancy, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, Flora, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Billie, Vita, , 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.*
- ♥ *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 Katoomba Faith Community.*
- ♥ *We join with churches around the world to pray for Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela*

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

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



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