

OUR NEWS  
19th May 2019



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

## **MORNING SERVICES, 9.30am @ LEIGH**

19 May – Sam Sadrata + Lay Preacher trainees  
26 May – Couples & Friends Annual Service  
2 June – Rev. Dr. Chris Walker  
9 June – Rev. Dr. Manas Ghosh  
16 June – Rev. Dr. Manas Ghosh  
23 June – 10am, Heritage Sunday (combined)

## **JOHN BELL AFTERNOON**

All are warmly invited to attend John Bell's seminar – 'The Pre-requisite called Community' (including discussion, inter-cultural singing and afternoon tea) at the Coffee Shop. Leigh Memorial, on Sunday 26 May from 3.30pm. Following John's session, there will be a time of worship (at 6pm) in acknowledgement of national 'Sorry Day', 26 May. Suggested entry donation: \$15 waged & \$10 unwaged. Enquiries: 9891-2277.

## **LEADERS' TEAM 2019-2020**

At a recent meeting of the Leigh Memorial Leaders' team, Chairperson Bruce, Secretary Liz and members: Moses, Fiona, Anand & Samantha volunteered to extend their placements until mid-2020. Additional members can be co-opted in this period if the need arises. As a result, there will not be a Leaders' election & dedication this year. Thank you for everyone's ongoing support for us and our efforts on behalf of Leigh Memorial - and a very big thanks to the many members who regularly pitch in and lend us a hand. Your help is greatly valued.

## **CALLING ALL WRITERS!... *What, or who, inspires you?***



Do you like to write in your spare time? Poems, short stories, prayers, family histories, travel stories, fiction, non-fiction, song lyrics, humour - or other...? If so, please give your contribution (any genre and any length from a few lines up to 1,000 words) on the **topic: "inspire"** to Liz in person, or via [emccder4@gmail.com](mailto:emccder4@gmail.com) by Sunday 16 June. All ages are welcome to participate. Contributed items will be part of a special pamphlet to be distributed on Heritage Sunday, 23 June. Please see Liz.





Parramatta Mission Lay Preachers' class  
invites you to

Leigh Memorial  
Church  
Coffee Shop  
(next door)  
117 Macquarie  
Street, Parramatta  
NSW 2150

An Afternoon  
with  
**JOHN BELL**  
exploring



“The Prerequisite

**called COMMUNITY”**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 3.30pm - 5.45pm**

Grazing (afternoon tea) available from 3pm

To be followed by an informal time of worship at 6pm to recognise SORRY DAY.

*Suggested Donation: \$15 (waged), \$10 (unwaged)*

RSVP: [reception@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:reception@parramattamission.org.au)

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As church-goers and lay leaders, we have been exploring the links between mission, community, gathered worship/liturgy and culture/music-making. We have asked: Who are we called to be and be with? How do we be community? Where do we relate?

If you are interested in developing community or connecting with different communities, please join in to hear John Bell, enjoy stimulating discussion, participate in community intercultural singing and devour an intercultural afternoon tea.

JOHN BELL is a Resource Worker with The Iona Community, who lectures, preaches and conducts seminars across the denominations. He is a hymn writer, author and occasional broadcaster, but retains a primary passion for congregational song. John is based in Glasgow and works with his colleagues in the areas of music, worship and spirituality.

Mothers  
DAY



Totoka na nodra veiliutaki na marama ena **Siga Tabu ni Tina** ena macawa sa oti. Na ulutaga **'Na bula galili ni tu taudua ki na bula maucokona, vakaveiwekani ni duavata, kei na**

**loloma savu ni Kalou'**. Na vakavinavinaka levu vei Talatala Viniana Ravetali ena nona vakarautaka na porokaramu, kei ira kece sara na marama ena qaravi tavi.

## Fijian Congregation

### VEIQARAVI ENA LOMA NI TOLU NA MACAWA

	Vunau e Parramatta	Vunau Lesi	Vunau Tu Vakarau	Veiliutaki (Tu vakarau)	Tali Vunau
26/5	Fiji Parish	Siaki Foiakau	Vili Kamotu	M3	M2
2/6	Lotu Vulavou/ Vakayakavi ni Turaga Rev Dr Chris Walker			M1	
9/6	Cross Cultural Worship			Youth	

Connect and Shake groups next meet @ the COFFEE SHOP on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm. Bring your bible and a friend



**Where: Alpha Park, Blacktown**

**When: Tuesdays 5.30pm – 7pm**

You can volunteer or donate to the Bula Feeding Ministry on Tuesdays. List for donation can include sausages, fruits, clothing, toiletries, water and shoes.

**Church Council** : Vakaraitaki ka vakadonui ena bose ni Church Council (09/05) ena Lotulevu sa oti, na yacai Samuela Sadrata me sa vuli Talatata. Ena waraki na veivosaki kei na veivakadonui mai na Presbytery kei na Synod me sa na qai kalawa ko Samuela Sadrata ki na Vuli Talatata.

**Veisiko:** Kerei me tomani tiko na veisiko vei ira na noda era tu voliti keda ena veiyasa ni koro eda tiko kina, ke gadrevi na veivuke tukutuku mai vei Vakatawa se Chairman.

**Masumasu:** Nuitaki ni sa qaravi tiko vakamatavuvale se vakasoqosoqo, tukutuku mai vei Vakatawa se Chairman ke gadrevi na veivuke

**Lesoni ni macawa mai qo : Cakacaka 16:9-15; Same 67; Vakatakila 21:10,22-22:5; Joni 14:23-29**



부활후 다섯째 주일 (5th of Easter Sunday) 2019년 05월 19일 오후 1시30

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 묵상

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) 새 5장 통 3장 이 천지간 만물들아 다함께

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

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 29장 통 29장 성도여 다 함께

새 150장 통 135장 갈보리산 위에 십자가 섰으니

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

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 베드로전서 1:1-5

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 흠어져 사는 나그네

봉헌 송(Offertory Hymn)

새 359장 통 401장 천성을 향해 가는 성도들아

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 부활의 주님과 날마다 동행하는 삶 되시길 바랍니다.
2. 매일 말씀 묵상으로 주님과 친밀한 교제 시간을 누리며 승리하시기 바랍니다.
3. 견도와 선교에 힘쓰며 그리스도의 증인된 사명 잘 감당하기 위해 기도합니다.

폐회찬송(Final Hymn) 새 501장 통 255장 너 시온아 (1)

축도 전현구 담임 목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부  
오후 4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시  
역대상 21:18-30

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시  
역대상 20:1-24:31



# National Fair Trade Faith Conference

Examining how the Christian Gospel  
relates to the way we do our shopping

**Friday 31st**

**May and Saturday**

**1st June, 2019**

Springwood Uniting Church.  
Lewin Street, Springwood. NSW  
Conference includes all meals

**Saturday**

**1 June 7.30pm**

**Noelene Martin**

**Fair Trade Memorial Lecture**

**Speaker:** Rev John Bell

**Keynote**

**Speaker**

John Bell is a Resource Worker with the Iona Community, Scotland. John is one of the world's foremost hymn writers and combines his imaginative musical gifts with a passion for justice for the world

**Workshops**

Stimulating workshops on  
topics relevant to  
fair trade in faith  
communities

# WESTMEAD Congregation

## **OPEN DOOR INDOOR BOWLS**

The next Bowls day is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 1.00 pm.  
All are welcome to attend.

## **REMEMBRANCE TIME FOR JOHN HOLLANDS**

We are invited to attend a small service for our beloved John on 26<sup>th</sup> May following worship. It is coming up to the year's anniversary since his death. There will be a short service at Castlebrook Crematorium followed by lunch afterwards (Pay for yourself). If you wish to attend please speak with Rev Christine. RSVP today Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

## **VISIT BY JOHN BELL**

We are greatly blessed to host a visit y John Bell, a Scottish hymn writer and liturgist, concerned with the renewal of worship within congregations. He will be speaking on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 3.30-5.45pm at Parramatta Leigh Memorial. This will be followed by a worship service at 6.00pm. *Suggested Donation:*

*\$15 (waged), \$10 (unwaged)* -RSVP: [reception@parramattamission.org.au](mailto:reception@parramattamission.org.au)

## **PREACHING SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup>**

We are delighted to have Seini Taufa preach next Sunday. Seini is completing her accreditation as a Lay Preacher. Seini comes from Auburn and is on the Ministry Committee.

## **CARD MINISTRY**

There are a range of cards available for purchase. They are 70c each and cover a range of purposes.

## **STAMPS, FOREIGN COINS AND FIVE CENT PIECES**

We do encourage you to keep any stamps you may receive. Please check the board near the kitchenette for the correct trimming around the stamps. This valuable ministry has enabled support for numerous groups over the years. Likewise, foreign coins are able to be donated to some of the international aid agencies. Five cent coins are also helpful with the ministry of the least coin. There are boxes for the stamps and five cent coins available in the foyer and please see Lorna with any foreign coins.

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

### **Sundays 9.45am**

Bible Study- Mondays 2.00-3.30pm

Fellowship- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

## **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

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

Play Group – Mondays and Wednesdays 9.15-10.45am

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am

# Psalm 148

1 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!  
2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host! 3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! 4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created. 6 He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed. 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, 8 fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! 9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!  
10 Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! 12 Young men and women alike, old and young together! 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven. 14 He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord! (NRSV translation)

## Reflection

The Psalm suggests that the 'celestial hosts', sun, moon and stars praise God. They do that by their very being. God created them and their very being praises their creator. Next, the earth – mountains and hills, trees, animals and birds praise their creator. They praise the creator by the intention of their designer and maker. The people of the earth are to praise God. If the heavens and the earth praise God without a conscious decision, but because of their design or how they are "wired" to praise their maker, might this also be true of all the people of the earth? People have the ability to make choices, and these choices might include to "go against" the creator, yet, because each is created by God, there is an innate ability to praise God. In other words, because people are "hard wired" to praise God, they can go against that by conscious choice and hard work for some of the time, but not all of the time because they can't help themselves but to praise God. That praising God might be by the way we care for the most marginalised, working to include and assist. It might be by the way we care for God's good creation. Are we praising God by polluting, land degradation, air and light pollution, or should we be committed to reducing pollution, landfill, water runoff. The Uniting Church has withdrawn all of its investments in fossil fuels, and it has encouraged its members to do likewise. It is encouraging churches to increase use of solar power for its buildings, and many are. It has encouraged recycling. It has encouraged reduced use of plastics. These are ways in which people can praise God with our actions as well as our words.





Left: Sam with the Lay Preachers Certificate he was presented at last week's Presbytery meeting. Congratulations Sam! Sam is a member of the Leigh Fijian congregation, and through the month of June will be part time in chaplaincy at WSU Parramatta, while Amelia Koh-Butler is on long leave.



Right: Sam speaking to the Presbytery and taking questions. The Presbytery voted on the next stage of Sam's application to become a candidate to be a minister of the Uniting Church. The Presbytery voted overwhelmingly in support, which means Sam now progresses to the next phase which is the Synod Selection Panel.



Left: Fil, who is a candidate for the Uniting Church ministry is currently at Theological College. Here Fil is bringing an update of his progress to the Parramatta Nepean Presbytery.

# Candlelight Vigil

Domestic & Family Violence  
Prevention



Above left: Here with uncle Bruce, who brought the Welcome to Country at the Youth Hub event to raise awareness of domestic violence.

Above right:  
Outback Steakhouse proudly  
Supporting Our Community

Left to right bottom picture:  
Sonja from Parrahouse,  
Tracey and Coral.



Top right:  
Mark, a representative  
from the Women's  
Domestic Violence Court  
Advocacy Service, John  
and Michael from our  
Youth Hub



Right middle & below  
Shining a light on the issue  
of domestic violence



I will be away the next two weeks. Next week in New Zealand, on annual and study leave, visiting city churches and representing PM at the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Samuel Leigh going from Parramatta to start the Methodist Church there. I'll update you in our news next week. Liz de Reland has prepared a special book of Samuel Leigh in Parramatta, Ken Morgan designed a cover, and Snap Printing helped, copies of which I will take to give away. Then to Tasmania representing PM at the annual missions network meeting, and visiting city churches. I'll have an update the second week. Lyall Weaver will be the acting CEO.

We pray for the newly elected members of federal parliament, and for good governance.

We remember with gratitude the former Prime Minister, the late Bob Hawke, who died last week.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton

# Climate Pastoral Care Training

May 28th 2019



Australians are anxious, angry and uncertain about climate change, what it means for their own futures, and what it means for the health and safety of their children and grandchildren.

They are looking for hope and support in these difficult times.

This training day will be an opportunity for ministers, priests, chaplains and religious leaders to share experiences of climate anxiety you have encountered, hear from experts, and to discuss how best to provide pastoral care in an age of climate change and global ecological destruction.

## Program:

Training 8:30am - 5:30pm (church leaders and pastoral carers)

Dinner: 6pm (optional)

Evening Talk: 7pm - 8:30pm (everyone welcome)

Discounted tickets for attendees coming from rural and remote areas are available.

Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/climate-pastoral-care-training-tickets-58622322946>

Uniting



Hosted by Uniting Earth

Venue: Centre For Ministry, 16 Mason's Drive, North  
Parramatta NSW

**FREE seminar**



# Financial planning for retirement.

You're invited to join us to uncover all you need to know about financial planning for retirement and learn more about the new Uniting retirement village coming soon to Westmead.

Join us for our upcoming seminar with experts from The Pittwater Partnership to share ways that you can plan for your retirement.

**Wednesday 29 May 10.00am to 12.00pm**  
**Rosehill Bowling Club**  
**Corner James Ruse Drive and Hassall Street, Rosehill NSW 2142**

Limited seats available.

**Register now.**  
[uniting.org/westmead-retirement-talk](http://uniting.org/westmead-retirement-talk)  
1800 864 846  
[ask@uniting.org](mailto:ask@uniting.org)

**Uniting**

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

We may not know the future but we know who holds the future  
We pray for all members of the new federal parliament.

Love one another  
# Que será, será

***Foster your faith this week***

***Act 16:9-15      Ps 67***  
***Rev 21:10,22-22:5      Jn 14:23-29 Or***  
***Jn 5:1-9***

***Are you troubled by someone's drinking?...***  
***...Did you grow up with a problem drinker?***

***Join us at Al-Anon Family Group***  
***Parramatta Mission***  
***119 Macquarie St, Parramatta***  
***'Coffee Shop'***  
***Thursdays 5.30-6:30pm***

***Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength, and hope in order to solve their common problems.***

***We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery.***

**For more info go to: [www.al-anon.org.au](http://www.al-anon.org.au)**

**ph: 1300 ALANON (1300 252 666)**

# Prayer Points

## **The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for:**

- ♥ *PM congregations and staff. For headspace, the Parramatta redevelopment negotiations. The people we contact every day that we might exhibit the values of grace, inclusion, dignity, faith and hope.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: : Jolame, Wilhelmina, Col, Mae, Joan, Betty E, Hazel, Betty B, Neil & Darlene, Victoria & family, Marcel & Brian, and grieving individuals & families including Shane, Elizabeth, Gloria, Ian and friend, the Matutinas, de Relands and Goodins. Plus the Open Church team, Sunday School & Youth Group (especially this year's HSC students: Johana, Ulita, Gabe and Shaalane). Please let the Leaders' team know of any additions.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Fijian: Adriu Rogoimuri, Senitiki Qata and family, Niko Balavu, Mili Sigani, Terry Butler, Young Adult and their Families. "Emosi Rogoimuri and family grieving over the sad loss of brother, uncle – Siti Rogoimuri – in Adelaide.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Our Sri Lankan brothers and sisters, Corey, Lara and James, John and Judy, Grace, Gary family, Lisa, Scott, Sushila and her family, Reg and Heather, Robyne and Phil. All farmers and their a communities, Sharon, Keith and Noeleen, Debbie and Michael, Kevin, 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, Justice and family, Aravind and family, Tanzida, Nancy, Paula and Geoffrey, Garry, Chris and family, Rob, Jodie and Family, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Vita, Col, Al, Mrs G and family, Judy, Shanika and family, Rebecca, Ashima and Anusha Saxena, Lyn, Sheila W, Ruth and Lela, Mr and Mrs S, Carmen and Rob, David and Christopher.*
- ♥ *UC congregations of the Cumberland Zone: Dundas/Ermington, Northmead, North Rocks, Carlingford, West Epping, Centenary, Wentworthville, Holroyd, Greystanes, Grantham Heights, Parramatta Mission, Auburn.*
- ♥ *We join the World Council of Churches in prayer for Malawi, Zambia*
- ♥ *We pray for Fairfield Uniting Church*



# Worship Services at

**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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**Westmead Church:** 175 Hawkesbury Road Westmead: 9891 9354

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



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<http://www.parramattamission.org.au/etree>

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