



Parramatta
Mission



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in Australia,
Synod of NSW & ACT

OUR NEWS

30th August 2020



**A Church-Based
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

COMBINED SERVICE

This Sunday, 30 August at 10.00am a combined Leigh Memorial, Leigh Fijian and Westmead service will be held via Zoom. Details will be distributed to members.

CLOSURE OF MINISTRY SERVICE

The closure of ministry service for Revs. Manas, Christine and Clive will be held on Sunday, 27 September at the CFM. A limited number of people will be permitted to physically attend, but a 'Zoom' option will be available for those at home. A task group, including reps of the PM congregations, is well underway in organising this event. Please contact Robert (convenor) with enquiries: robert.key@parramattamission.org.au

PASTORAL CARE

Our prayers remain with Himmi and family, and the Mantons, plus all of our members and friends who are grieving, unwell or anxious at this time, including the people of NSW & Victoria who are dealing with the coronavirus and related issues. We are also mindful of this year's Year 12 students who are experiencing additional demands on their HSC study program and an inability to hold traditional graduations or 'formals' etc. If anyone needs support, please contact Rev. Manas, the Leaders team or the PM office on 9891-2277.

AUGUST 'BOOK MONTH' @ LEIGH – final



This week is the final of our 'Book Month' installments. During August we have recommended some positive & uplifting books to read during the final weeks of winter. Many thanks to members who sent in recommendations! We are glad that so many of our "book worms" and book worms in the making have enjoyed this special project. Our final 3 recommendations are: (1) *Marathon Wheeler* by Rev. Heather Coombes; (2) *The Triumph of Christianity* by Prof. Bart Erhman, and our friendly Book Worm's suggestion for kids is the lovely e-book, *The Promises of God* by Jennifer Lyell. Happy reading!! Please note: Our Church Library, while currently in 'hibernation,' remains in place, overseen by librarian Neil and ready to arrange loans again when it is safe to do so. Many thanks to Neil for his long term devotion to accessible borrowing and community literacy.

The Funeral service for Ailsa Tang would be held on
Thursday 10 September 2020 at 10.30am
at the Palm Chapel, Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium
followed by interment and then lunch.
Please uphold Himmi and their sons Michael and his family and Tim.



TOILETRIES DONATIONS/ SOCKS & UNDIES

Our toiletries collection for PM has now concluded for this year. Thank you very much to all those who have made a drop-off at the office during the past month. It has been greatly appreciated. When services resume we will also make an effort to hold a **'Socks and Undies Sunday'** at Leigh Memorial, when socks and underwear donations for men, women & children can be collected for Parramatta Mission. An initiative of Wesley Uniting Castle Hill, the idea has already been adopted by a number of congregations. For those wishing to make an immediate donation to **'Socks & Undies'**, \$10 enables PM to purchase sock and undies for 1 individual, \$25 for a couple and \$50 for a family. Please contact Coral or Tracey on 9891-2277 if you need assistance.

OFFERINGS & DONATIONS

Acct. name: Parramatta Mission Giving Direct. Acct. number: 100025901. BSB: 634 634. Please consider regular giving – thank you. Donations to keep the work of Meals Plus going are also more crucial than ever. Please consider giving, as able. <https://www.parramattamission.org.au/meals-support-services/meals-and-outreach/>



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS – THANK YOU LIZ



Many thanks to Liz, who this week retired as Sunday School @ Leigh Coordinator after 12 years. Liz has been with the Sunday School for 35 years altogether as a helper and teacher - and has filled the role of Coordinator since 2008. We thank Liz for her considerable length of service to children's ministry at our church, and the creative and caring ways in which she has carried out her responsibilities. Samantha and Anne will be continuing as 'head teachers.' Liz passes on her sincere thanks to the ministers and all the wonderful teachers, helpers, guest presenters, children, young adults and families who have provided great input,

company and support during her involvement. While classes are yet to re-commence onsite, our Sunday School students are receiving support during this period and will soon be combining for a special program via Zoom with the children of the Leigh Fijian Sunday School. New children are always welcome. Enquires: 9891-2277.

성령강림후13주일(13th Pentecost of Sunday) 2020년 8월30일 오후 1시30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 예배를 위한 목상

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 10 장 **통 34 장** 전능왕 오셔서

새 270 장 **통 214 장** 변함없는 주님의 사랑과

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

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) **에스겔 33:1-16; 유다서1:10-13**

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 **아! 주님의 교회들아**

봉헌 송(Offeratory Hymn)

새 357 장 **통 397 장** 주 믿는 사람 일어나

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 전 세계가 전염병으로 힘들 때 주님과 동행하시는 성도가 됩시다.
2. '매일 성경' 말씀으로 주님과 교제의 시간(QT)을 갖고 적용하는 훈련을 합니다.
3. 말씀, 기도, 전도 생활로 하나님이 기뻐하시는 삶을 사는 성도님들이 되시기 바랍니다.

폐회찬송(Final Hymn)

새502장 **통 259장** 너 시온아 이소식 전파하라 (1절)

축도 전현구 담임목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부
오후4:00

수요기도회 : 오후 7시
창37:18-36

새벽기도회 : 오전 5시
이사야 39:1-창40:23

Leigh Fijian Congregation

1. Lotu ena Sigatabu macawa mai qo nai ka 6 ni Sepiteba, ena qaravi tiko kina na vakayakavi ni turaga.
2. **Soqosoqo ni Tabagone (Youth group):** Nomudou sota na tabagone ena qaravi tiko ena veisiga vakaraubuka kece ena zoom mai na, 7:30 kina 9:00 pm. E na qai tukutuku tale mai o nai talatala Clive ke dua na veisau ni nomudau sota.
3. **Covid 19** – Veivakananumi tiko ga ena gauna dredre eda lako curuma tiko qo:
 - Sava tiko na liga.
 - Dara tiko na “Face Mask”.
 - Duri veiyawaki tiko me rauta ni 1.5 na mita.



Psalm 105:1-10, 23-26, 45c

1 O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
2 Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.
3 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord
rejoice.
4 Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.
5 Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles,
and the judgments he uttered,
6 O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen
ones.
7 He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.
8 He remembered his covenant forever,
of the word that he commanded,
for a thousand generations,
9 the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac,
10 which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant.

23 Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.
24 And the Lord made his people very fruitful,
and made them stronger than their foes,
25 whose hearts he then turned to hate his people,
to deal craftily with his servants.
26 He sent his servant Moses, and Aaron whom he had chosen.

45 Praise the Lord! (NRSV)

Reflections

While we cannot live in the past, it is important to remember our history. That is our story. Psalm 105 has a major theme of remembering the past. That memory includes the faithfulness of God. God remembers the covenant made with the Hebrew people. That covenant, and its living memory assists in valuing the present, and looking to the future. This is not holding on to the way things are or were done, but valuing where we have come from, while being open to the new of the future. Our family story, faith story, community story, even national story are important in being located in a particular time and place. This can assist us to meet the challenges of the present. Knowing the story of the past can also assist us not be bound to the past, but to acknowledge, mark, celebrate, mark and look to the present and future.

The Pastoral Team meet for the last week for the time in its current form. Christine and Manas leave at the end of September, and I go on leave in October. The team had a retreat, which was held on zoom. We each shared about the way, being on the way, discipleship on the way. Then the team gathered at the Parramatta Park Gatehouse café for lunch – observing safe covid distance. This was followed by Rev Niall Reid, minister at Northmead, leading us on “walking Church” around the park. (Niall leads walking church on two Saturday’s per month, that uses the usual worship liturgy format, while moving from place to place around the park. The photo below is the pastoral team crossing the weir in Parramatta Park. Left to right, Sarah, Robert, Keith, Manas, Amelia, Mary, Clive, Christine.



A reminder that the combined service for the conclusion of ministry placements for Rev Dr Manas Ghosh and Rev Christine Bayliss Kelly, and the supply ministry of Rev Dr Clive Pearson, will be on Sunday 27 September at 10 am, on zoom. A small group of people will gather at the Centre For Ministry at North Parramatta to lead the service.

I want to express my great appreciation to Liz de Reland for her faithfulness in coordinating the Leigh Memorial Sunday School over the past 12 years. Well done. Thank you.

Blessings, Keith Hamilton

WESTMEAD Congregation

COMBINED SERVICE 30th AUGUST

Sunday August 30th is a combined Service via zoom for Leigh and Westmead Congregations.

PLEASE NOTE- THE SERVICE WILL BE AT 10.00AM VIA ZOOM.

REV CHRISTINE ON LEAVE until the 17th September

During this time please contact one of the elders if needed.

Sunday 6th September Rev Keith via zoom link

[https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/93130410649?](https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/93130410649?pwd=UTJMWjRWMjNiUkpneUlpOXdJVWVSUT09)
pwd=UTJMWjRWMjNiUkpneUlpOXdJVWVSUT09

Sunday 13th September Rev Sarah Bishop preaching via zoom link

[https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/98193713371?](https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/98193713371?pwd=dC83d0Z2b3I4bnZZVnlJbFdGZjlvdz09)
pwd=dC83d0Z2b3I4bnZZVnlJbFdGZjlvdz09

Sunday 20th September Rev Christine's last service via zoom link

[https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/92624635915?](https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/92624635915?pwd=VStqVTdreFc0czh3RU40aWovUWFRUT09)
pwd=VStqVTdreFc0czh3RU40aWovUWFRUT09

Sunday 27th September

Combined service of Conclusion for Rev Christine and Rev Dr Manas and supply for Rev Dr Clive. Zoom link to follow.

PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for the staff and leadership of Parramatta Mission, including the Combined Congregations' Leaders Meeting as they work together in the leadership of the congregations in the coming months.

BIBLE STUDY and WORSHIP

Bible Study is held via an online platform called zoom. Worship is held via Zoom as well as Worship materials which are available for printed format sent out by mail as well as via email. The zoom link for each week will be made available for all who have computer access.

SUSPENSION OF WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES DURING COVID 19 OUTBREAK

All other worship and Bible study is via zoom or printed materials found at <https://www.parramattamission.org.au/faith-and-worship/newsletter/>

OFFERINGS

Offerings are able to be dropped off at 175 reception or can be done electronically. Please see Rev Christine for bank account details for Westmead.

DEEPENING FAITH and RELATIONSHIPS with others Worship

Sundays 9.45am via zoom from 7th June

Bible Study- Via Zoom Mondays 2.00pm

Fellowship- These meetings will occur occasionally.

Please stay tuned for information re bus trips.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Time Out Café (TOC)- Wednesdays 10.00-1.00pm **On hold**

Play Group – Mondays and Thursdays 9.15-10.45am **On hold**

Open Door -Wednesdays 1.00-3.30pm **On hold**

Tai Chi- Fridays 10.00-11.00am **On hold**



Foster your faith this week

Ex12:1-4

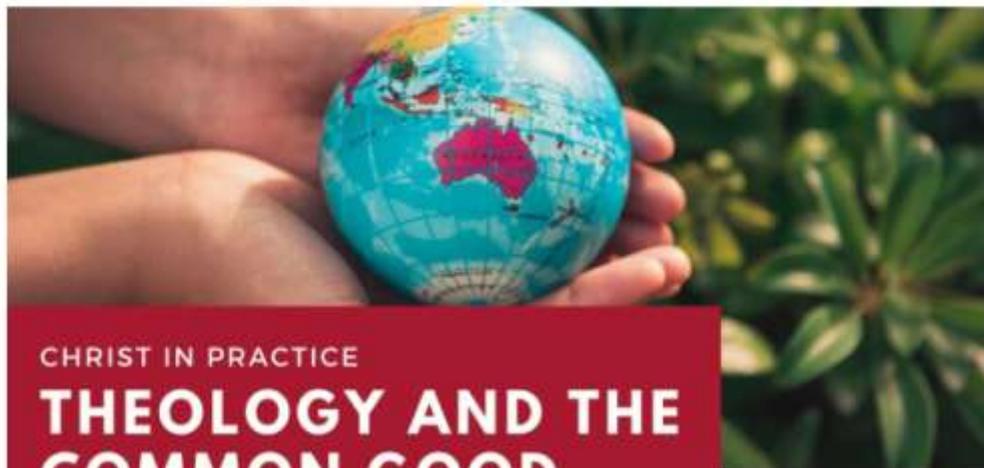
Ps 149

Rom 13:8-14

Mt 18:15-20

Pastoral message for this week....

There is always a cost for doing what is
right for others and the world,
for Christ's sake.



CHRIST IN PRACTICE

THEOLOGY AND THE COMMON GOOD

WEDNESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 10AM - 1PM
CENTRE FOR MINISTRY
16 MASONS DRIVE NORTH PARRAMATTA NSW 2151

THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER 10AM - 1PM
VIA ZOOM



Centre for Faith
& Public Issues

Lying behind labels like Uniting for the Common Good is the practice of a public theology. This workshop is designed to look beneath the labels and explore the biblical and theological foundations for this kind of work. Public theology is a relatively new discipline that is being practised around the globe. It has its own principles of good praxis.

This inter-active workshop will explore how a public theology engages with three current issues of Race, Climate and Covid 19.

The workshop will be facilitated by:

- Dean Drayton, former President of the Assembly
- Keith Hamilton, Senior Minister / CEO, Parramatta Mission
- Clive Pearson, one of the founders of the Global Network of Public Theology and Editor-in-Chief, International Journal of Public Theology.

Places are limited for 16th September, please RSVP to amelia.pereira@parramattamission.org.au before Friday 11 September.

To receive further information and to register for the zoom session please also email amelia.pereira@parramattamission.org.au before Friday 16 October.

Prayer Points

The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for:

- ♥ *PM congregants and staff. The people we contact every day that we might exhibit the values of grace, inclusion, dignity, faith and hope.*
- ♥ *PM Leigh Memorial: The Manton Family, Himmi and Family, Phillip, Rev. Manas & Nita, Mae & Stephen, Liz & family, Bruce S, Jolame, Betty E, Joan, Hazel, Beverly, Neil & Darlene, Betty B, George, Robyn & Malcolm, the Leigh Memorial Leaders team, the Church Council, our fellow PM congregations, Open Church, SPOW, Couples & Friends, our Sunday School teachers and children, Youth Group, and those who are unwell, currently having medical tests or treatment, or grieving – plus – all those impacted by COVID-19, inc. community members who are unwell, unemployed or at the frontline of medical, mental health, pharmacy and scientific care.*
- ♥ *PM Fijian: Adriu Rogoimuri Niko Balavu, Talatala Amelia Koh Butler, Ravetali family, Tuiloma family, Sunday School Ministry, Young Adults and their families, Bula Feeding Ministry, Soup Kitchen Ministry, Samu Sadrata.*
- ♥ *PM Westmead: Natasha and her family, Naomi and family, Carol, Karen and Kath, Rosemary and Peter and families, Matthew's mother, Nyema, Carol, Aunty Jean, Isaac and family, Amelia and her family, Joanna and family, Shirley and family, Faith and her sisters, Yvonne, Rietha, Marly, Rita, Ruth, Jan's neighbours, Sunny and family, Corey, Lara and James, Judy, Grace, Lisa, Robyne and Phil. All farmers and their communities, Sharon, 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, May, Rajes (Sandra), Henry, Phyllis, Vita, Al, Mrs G and family, Judy, Lyn, Ruth and Lela, Mr and Mrs S.*
- ♥ *UC congregations of the Parramatta-Nepean Presbytery that extends from Galston to Bargo, Lidcombe to Blackheath.*
- ♥ *We pray for Lidcombe Samoan Parish - Uniting Church*

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