

OUR NEWS

18th June 2023

Our Vision

A Community Transforming Lives



Our Values

Grace,
Inclusion,
Dignity,
Faith and Hope

Congregational life at Westmead & Parramatta,
Hospitality Services at 175 Hotel and Wesley Apartments
Meals Plus Services providing for those in need across the
Parramatta LGA

Parramatta Mission acknowledges that all of our work takes
place on the land of traditional owners.

We pay respect to the original custodians of the land on
which we gather, and acknowledge their elders past and

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Pentecost 3A, 2023

Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

I Am Sending You

By Debie Thomas.

In his book, *Tokens of Trust: An Introduction to Christian Belief*, former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, tells the story of a young Jewish woman named Etty Hillesum. Hillesum was in her twenties when the Germans occupied Holland. She was not a conventionally religious person, but between the years of 1941 and 1943, as she watched her world descend into nightmare, she became deeply aware of God's hand on her life. Imprisoned in the transit camp at Westerbork (before being shipped to the gas chambers of Auschwitz), Etty wrote these words:

"There must be someone to live through it all and bear witness to the fact that God lived, even in these times. And why should I not be that witness?"

Williams describes Hillesum's commitment this way: She decided to occupy a certain place in the world, a place where others could somehow connect with God through her. She took responsibility for making God credible in the world. She took responsibility for God's believability.

I've been thinking about these phrases all week. Making God credible in the world. Taking responsibility for God's believability. How do you feel, reading them? What visceral reactions, if any, do they trigger? Alarm? Excitement? Longing? Fear? Does it ever occur to us that these phrases might describe our vocation as followers of Christ? Is it possible that we are called to make belief in the kingdom of God credible for the world we live in? Not just when belief is easy, but also — and especially — when belief feels impossible?

If you're like me, you're reeling from the events that have rocked the United States over the past two weeks. I'm sure I'm not alone in lacking words to express the frustration and sorrow I feel. Once again, we must mourn a black man's senseless murder at the hands of abusive police. Once again, we must confront the deep, insidious racism that poisons this nation's core. Once again, we are called to repent of our history, grieve with our African-American brothers and sisters, and insist on the justice that is now centuries overdue. Once again, we are summoned to render God's good news credible in a dark hour.

In our Gospel reading this week, Jesus commissions his twelve disciples to liberate and enliven the "harassed and helpless." Seeing the multitudes of "sheep without a shepherd," Jesus is deeply moved, and so he tells his disciples, "Go." Go and proclaim the good news of the kingdom. Go and cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, and cast out demons. Go and touch. Go and heal. Go and resurrect. Go and make peace. Go and render believable the compassion of God.



Needless to say, this commissioning is for us as well. Are you scared yet? Hang on — Jesus has more to say. After explaining to the disciples what their task is, he offers them some appalling operating instructions: “You received without payment; give without payment.” “Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts.” “Take no bag, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff.” And (saving the zinger for last): “I’m sending you out like sheep in the midst of wolves, so be as wise as serpents and as innocent as doves. You will be dragged before governors. You will be handed over to councils and flogged. You will be hated by all because of my name.” Um, really? Let’s see if I have this straight:

Prioritize those who have nothing. Go to those who have no one to advocate for them, no one to hear them, no one to attend to their needs. Go to the harassed, the mistreated, the oppressed, and the exhausted. Knock on their doors, and place yourselves at their service. Humbly accept their hospitality. Learn the art of dependence. Do not live and minister above or apart from the people you wish to help — live among them. Engage them. And do so deeply.

Choose poverty, simplicity, and vulnerability. Carry no weapons. Stockpile no resources. Have no back-up. Abandon your egotism. Do not parade in like a savior, basking in pomp and circumstance. Lead instead with quietness, gentleness, curiosity, and humility. Insofar as it depends on you, keep, make, and share the peace. Remember that power has been given to you for one reason, and one reason only: so that you can give it away.

Don’t be foolish. Be wise. Be attentive. Listen. Know the complexities of the world in which you move. Make every effort to understand what’s happening beneath the surfaces. Be pure of heart, but don’t revel in ignorance, flatten reality, or mistake naïveté for faith.

When you’ve done all of the above — in other words, when you get all of this just right — expect life to get pretty grim. Know that lots of folks will distrust you. Understand that many well-meaning people will yell and scream at you. Expect to get rejected, called out, wounded, beaten. Don’t be surprised when your life gets uncomfortable. This is what success looks like.

Do not despair. You are not alone. The Spirit of God is with you, and the Spirit will give you the words you need and the courage you lack. Remember, grace abounds, so don’t lose heart. The one who endures to the end will be saved.

Are you scared now? Make no mistake: this is a confrontational Gospel. It’s hard. It’s demanding. It’s offensive. In it, Jesus asks us to surrender absolutely everything for the sake of making God credible to a world that’s convulsing in pain — and he does so without reservation or apology. His harsh-sounding instructions suggest that there will be times when our faith requires us to violate cultural norms, fight uphill battles, and speak dangerous truths to power.

If our overriding priority as Christians is to secure our own comfort, then we cannot follow Jesus. Discipleship will disorient and disrupt us. It will make us the neighborhood weirdos. It will shake things up in our families, churches, and communities. It will expose evils in the status quo we cling to. It will humble us to our knees.

As our reading from the epistle to the Romans so eloquently puts it: “Suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us.” So often we Christians try to skip straight to hope and hunker down in its promise. Yes, the Church is called to profess hope. But hope is not the same thing as clueless optimism or premature consolation. Hope has no meaning if it’s not undergirded by justice. Notice the trajectory: suffering, endurance, character, and THEN hope. The fact that our salvation is free does not mean it comes cheap.

To make God believable here and now is to stand in the hot white center of the world's pain. Not just to glance in the general direction of suffering and injustice, and then sidle away, but to dwell there. To identify ourselves wholly with those who are aching, weeping, and dying. In the case of America's longstanding racial crisis, making Christ credible means moving beyond denial, beyond willful ignorance, and beyond the Band-aid approach of "thoughts and prayers." It means deciding, as grateful followers of a brown man who died at the hands of brutal law enforcement two thousand years ago, that we will not tolerate the demon of racism in our midst for one more generation.

Why does Jesus ask so much of us? Because he gave us so much. "You received without payment. Now give without payment." Maybe, if we can put aside our reluctance and our fear, we will feel the weight, the power, and — dare I say it? — the glory of this calling. Jesus calls us only to what we were created for. Jesus knows the cure for our brokenness, our malaise, our boredom, our angst. He knows that when we go out into the world in his name, healing what is diseased, resurrecting what is dead, and casting out what is evil, we participate in the transformation of our own souls. What we're hearing in these days is the very heart of God within us, deep calling to deep, the Spirit crying out on behalf of a world desperate for justice and mercy. Will we listen?

Someone has to live and bear witness to the fact that God lived, even in these times. So ask yourself: Why shouldn't that witness be me?

Foster your faith this week

Gn 18:1-15, (21:1-7)

Ps 116:1-2, 12-19

Rom 5:1-8

Mt 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

THE VOICE

Members are encouraged to engage with information-sharing and discussion regarding the proposed 'Voice to Parliament'. The proposal for The Voice stems from the 'Uluru Statement from the Heart' which is written below. Further information is also available at <https://ulurustatement.org>

The Uniting Church in Australia supports a "yes" vote in the Referendum. See the following link to learn more: <https://uniting.church/supporting-the-voice/>

THE ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

*Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago. This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown. How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years? With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood. Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are alienated from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future. These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness. We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country. We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution. Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination. We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history. In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. **We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.***

Leigh Memorial

WELCOME TO WINTER WORSHIP

We look forward to seeing you at Leigh Memorial this Sunday @ 9.30am for worship time with **Rev Geoff Smith**, followed by morning tea.

CELEBRATING 'HERITAGE SUNDAY' – 18th JUNE 2023!

Each year on the third Sunday in June, we celebrate 'Heritage Sunday.' This special day began at Parramatta Mission in 2009 and annually features an acknowledgement of special anniversaries, people and events - including the anniversary of the Uniting Church on 22 June. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our mutual PCUC heritage and the strong, inspiring foundation that our past provides for our present efforts and future plans. Among other tasks, our Heritage Committee currently provides talks/tours, produces articles & books, oversees an archival collection and liaises with schools, the local community and other church and heritage groups. NB: A flyer with some updates & a PCUC historical timeline will be distributed at all the sites this Sunday.

PARRAMATTA MISSION WINTER APPEAL @ LEIGH MEMORIAL

Leigh Memorial is collecting "ring-pull" canned items and winter woollies, inc. beanies & scarves, **each Sunday morning during June**. Join Callum and support this year's collection drive!!



PASTORAL MESSAGE

Our prayers remain with those in our worship communities who are unwell or facing other challenges at the present time – and with everyone accessing Meals Plus, Bula Feeding and other community services this winter. It's great to know that Nell is home from hospital and feeling better – and that Mae's recent procedure went well. Contact details for the ministry team are in the newsletter.

WEEK 4: UNITING CHURCH PRAYER CHAIN, 2023

Each of our PCUC worship communities is currently praying for two or more other Uniting Churches in Australia as part of the UCA Assembly's national 'Act 2' project. Our two churches are: **Leichhardt Uniting Church (NSW)** and **Leighmoor Uniting Church (VIC)**. This week's prayer focus: Refugees, recent migrants, those on student visas and other vulnerable people from overseas.

JAZZ ON HAMMERS

All are welcome to join 'Jazz on Hammers' – a relaxed evening of jazz, food and reflection on **Sunday 18 June** from 6pm at Northmead Uniting Church, 3 Hammers Road, Northmead. A light meal will be provided and donations are welcome to help cover costs.

SYNOD 2023: TRANSFORMING SPIRIT

Please continue to pray for the preparatory phase of NSW/ACT Synod 2023, which will be held in Katoomba (15 – 17 September).

<https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/events/synod-meeting-2023/>

HERITAGE SUNDAY TRIBUTE: REMEMBERING GLOSTER & JOY UDY

2023 represents the 20th anniversary of the passing of **Rev Dr Gloster Udy** (1918 – 2003) and **Mrs Joy Udy** (1916 – 2003). Gloster and Joy (pictured, with Gloster holding his 'Senior Citizen of the Year' Award), were landmark leaders and contributors within the Methodist, then Uniting Church in the mid-to-late 20th century. The Udys' resting place is at the historic Castlereagh "sacred acre" site (also pictured), where Australia's first Wesleyan Chapel opened in 1817. Among Gloster's multiple achievements during his tenures as Superintendent minister at Parramatta (1951-55 and 1973-88) was the founding of Lifeline Parramatta (now Lifeline Macarthur and Western Sydney) in 1974. As the 50th anniversary of Lifeline in Sydney's West approaches next year – it is important to note that 50 years ago this year (in 1973) the idea for Lifeline Parramatta was born, the first Lifeline Parramatta committee meeting took place at Epworth House and the Mission purchased 153 George Street as the 'home base' for Lifeline Parramatta. More reading about the Udys is available in our heritage books, including *Spark of Grace* (1977) and *Kindled by a Spark of Grace* (2016) – both of which are available online via the 'illuminate' repository: <https://illuminate.recollect.net.au/>



Westmead

Sharing the Hospitality of Jesus Christ

Heritage Sunday - 18th June 2023

WESTMEAD WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

OF

PARRAMATTA CITY UNITING CHURCH

A time to celebrate ...



22 June 1977 - Uniting Church in Australia

This morning Pastor Fil will be leading us in Worship – a warm welcome to you Fil and we look forward to hearing from you.

Last Sunday it was a pleasure to see Rev. Geoff Smith who led us in our service – Geoff reflected on ‘threads of compassion in tightly woven societies’. In the story of the woman discreetly touching the hem of Jesus’ robe in a large crowd around Him, Jesus immediately recognises her touch and need for help. “He stopped and gave her dignity and spoke about how much her values are to God even though she was outcast from society by reasons of health”. In the same way Jesus is talking about the homeless and the marginalised who are bypassed by us. “God says – you may reject these, but I won’t – Jesus sees through eyes of love”. Thank you, Rev. Geoff, for inspiring us.

Prayer Chain upholds Carolyn Anderson, Phyllis Nichols, Mere Vulaono, Robyn Hallinan – May God be with you all and others and bring you to peace and health.



JUNE APPEAL for WINTER WOOLLIES and CANNED FOOD

Winter has begun and there is a need for winter woollies such as blankets, warm clothes, hoodies, beanies, scarves and gloves. Meals Plus and The Bula Feeding Ministry will gladly accept all items of new/second hand clothes in good condition. Canned 'ring-pull' food items will also be gratefully received.



WESTMEAD WORSHIP

18th June: Pastor Fil

25th June: Rev. John Barr

BIBLE STUDY: Each Monday, 2.00pm

Zoom Link: <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/95043695512>



NATIONAL UNITING IN PRAYER - 28 May – 22 June, 2023

Westmead congregation continues to include Uniting Church Communities of Western Creek (ACT) and Weston Creek (ACT) in all our prayers. Jan has been emailing prepared Act2 prayers each day which we can include in our individual prayers. If you would like further information, please contact Jan (0418 438 901). Thank you, Jan for leading us.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

A six-week introductory course has commenced at Centenary Uniting Church, 46 Sorrell Street, North Parramatta

When: Tuesday evenings, **May 30th – July 4th**

Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Enquiries: Jon O'Brien: 0411 332 825 or jonmarkobrien@gmail.com



NEW HERITAGE BOOK: *LUMINOUS – REVISED EDITION* – copies are available, (see Lorna).



MORNING MEDITATION: Pastor Sarah Bishop.

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*Westmead Worshipping Community: Heritage
Summary,
1962 - Present*

We acknowledge the past, and as God leads us on the continuing journey – we will ‘reach forward ‘unto those things which are in the future.’ Thank you, Lorna, for providing the following insight into Westmead’s history on Heritage Sunday:



1962 – Opening of Westmead Methodist Church on the corner of Cotswold Street and Hawkesbury Rd, Westmead (pictured - following many years of planning by dedicated members of Parramatta Mission - then known as Parramatta Regional Mission). The site is now used by the Hebron Chinese Alliance Church.



1990 – The first official Worship Service at Queen’s Road, Westmead. (The early services were held in the café space).



27th July 1991 – Official Opening Day of the Westmead Chapel and the Motel extension; and **23rd June 1996** - over 100 people gathered in the Westmead Chapel to celebrate and dedicate an extension to the building that included a new foyer and small kitchen/servery area, and a meeting room, to be known as the ‘Harry Rogers Room’, exterior disabled ramp, and toilets.



2010 – Opening day, Wesley Apartments, Westmead - with Governor of NSW, Her Excellency, Dr Marie Bashir.

The Westmead Worshipping Community has seen many happenings and changes in recent years. There has been change in ministries, technology, the effect of Covid on the community and environment, activities held, etc.

The journey continues...



2022 – ‘Yes’ vote to form a new ‘Parramatta City Uniting Church’ congregation in the Parramatta- Nepean Presbytery (comprised of the previous Leigh Memorial, Leigh Fijian, Northmead-Centenary and Westmead congregations).

시드니 조은 교회 Sydney Jo-Eun Church

23-23

4 성령강림 주일 (4th Pentecost of Sunday) 2023년 6월 18일 오후 1시30분

개회 찬송 (Entrance Hymn) 왕이신 나의 하나님 다함께

예배의 부름 (Calling) 인도자

송영 (Gloria) 새 1장 통 1장 만복의 근원 하나님 다함께

사도신경 신앙고백 (The Apostle's Creed) 다함께

찬양/찬송 (Chorus & Hymns) 다함께

새 8장 통 9장 거룩 거룩 거룩

기도 (Prayer) 구기도문송 635 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지 다함께

성경 봉독 (Scripture Reading) 베드로 전서 5:6-11

말씀(Preaching)- 전현구 목사 다시 일어난 사람

봉헌 송(Offeratory Hymn) 새 338장 제 364장 내 주를 가까이 하게 함은

나눔과 알림 (Announcement & Notices)

1. 시드니 조은교회에 오신 여러분을 주님의 이름으로 환영합니다.
3. "매일성경" 독상과 "공동체성경읽기" 통독으로 말씀을 적용하며 매일 주님과 동행하는 삶 살아가시길 바랍니다
4. 어려움을 겪는 이웃들을 위해 함께 중보기도 해주시길 바랍니다.
5. 하나님의 기쁨인 전도사명에 동참하시길 부탁드립니다.

폐회찬송(Final Hymn) 새501장 통 255장 너 시온아 이소식 전파하라 (1절)

축도 전 현구 목사

QT나눔 & 성경공부
오후4:00

수요기도회: 오후 7시
로마서 12:1-8

새벽기도회 : 오전 6시
로마서 11:13-14:12

Leigh Fijian

- 1. Lotu ena macawa oqo 18/06:** Na lotu ena macawa oqo na veisau vunau na Parramatta Nepean Presbytery (PNP). Ratou na gole tiko mai na valenilotu mai Cambelltown. Vunau lesi ki St Mary vakatawa Anare Vocea kei Serupepeli Nagatalevu. Vunau vakarau tuirara Emosi Rogoimuri kei Siaki Foiakau. Tu vakarau veiliutaki na matamasumasu naba 1. Tali ni vunau matamasumasu naba 1.
- 2. Lotu ena macawa mai oqo 25/06:** Na lotu ena macawa mai oqo na veisau vunau kei Fiji Parish. Vunau lesi tuirara Emosi Rogoimuri kei Siaki Foiakau Vunau vakarau Viliame Kamotu kei Taito Dovibua. Tu vakarau ena veiliutaki kei na tali matasiga naba 1.
- 3. Lesoni ni macawa oqo 12/05 – 18/06:** Vakatekivu 18:1-15, 21:1-7 Same 116:1- 2, 12-19 Roma 5:1-8 Maciu 9:35, 10:8, 9-23
- 4. Lesoni ni macawa mai oqo 19/06 – 25/06:** Vakatekivu 21:8 - 21 Same 86:1 – 10, 16-17 Roma 6:1 - 11 Maciu 10:24 – 39
- 5. Vakavinavinaka vei ratou na marama ena veisiko vei Remavini Wati, ena nona qaravi vakavuniwai. Sa bulabula Vinaka sara tiko.**

Lolo kei Na masumasu - Veinanumi ena lolo kei na masumasu ena vei matai ni Vukelulu ena vei vula mai na 6am – 12pm se 6am – 6pm. Soli tu na galala ke o rawa ni qarava.

Veinanumi ena Masu : Kerei meda veinanumi tikoga ena veimasulaki vei ira na nodatou qase kei na vuvale ra sotava tiko na dredre ko Mereoni Kamotu, S Qata, Akisi Dovibua Baranski, Dia Allison. Ko ratou na veiliutaki tiko ena nodatou vavakoso vaka viti kei na veivuvale kece sara ena loma ni nodatou vavakoso. Na nodratou vei qaravi na Bula Feeding. Me nanumi na FNC ni tou na veiwaseitaka na vei qaravi kei na tolu na valelotu Cambelltown, St Mary kei Berala. Ena qaravi tiko na FNC ena vula ko Jiulai ni yabaki mai oqo 2024 e Stanwell Tops.

Gadrevi na noda veinanumi ena masu vei ira na lewe ni vavakoso era mai sasaga kei na nanumi talega ni nodra vuvale mai Viti.

Parramatta Leigh Fijian women visiting Remavini Wati.



175Hotel Westmead & Wesley Apartments

These are not just ordinary accommodation services, our motto: “*hospitality with heart*” is a daily reality and under the leadership of our GM Hospitality, Cameron Westman, we deliver on that promise every day.

The majority of our guests at these facilities are current patients (or relatives) of people undergoing major treatment at Westmead Hospital or Westmead Kids Hospital. We hear so many testimonies and letters of appreciation, so we know that the services we provide really do make a difference at a critical time in people’s lives.

We are all in this together!

Here’s a few notes from our grateful Guests !!!



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Just to Say...



Each day the staff here work an incredible credit to you all. An amazing place, right in the middle of where "hearts" is really needed.

To All staff at 175

Thank you

Thank you for being incredibly helpful, thoughtful and kind. You make a difficult time as a new parent with the kindness and caring that you all provide and I will always be incredibly grateful for smaller things too.

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Last but not least, the amazing home nursing team. You are the backbone to this amazing family. Thank you for your hard work & amazing attitude. We are sure everyone that stands here had their own unique story. Now you are part of ours forever. Thanking you! Dawn, Lili & Indi - 2/2/2017



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To the family at 175 ONE,

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Our life was turned upside down & we contacted perinatal life one night to see our luck to get across. He ensured our minds were put to ease and sorted everything out for us. Perinatal I thank



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Continued to show love, care & genuine support throughout our stay. They always had a bright smile bringing that daily positivity we needed during these challenging times. Cameron & Rebecca, thank you for supporting us, being flexible & always having our best interests, we appreciate it!



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Prayer Points

The people of Parramatta Mission invite you to pray for **Our Community**

- We give thanks that some small gatherings are starting to take place. We give thanks for welcoming cafes and the disciplines we have learnt to help keep us all safe.
- We give thanks for coffee, tea, muffins and spiritually encouraging conversations.

PM Westmead

- For those who are unwell in the congregation and those who await medical test results – We pray for the correct diagnosis and treatment and for an uplift in the spirits of those poor in health.
- For those that are suffering trauma and grief after having been in a severe bus crash in the Hunter Valley and for the families and loved ones affected – We pray for healing, peace, gentleness, and love to be around them and for those who attended the recovery process.
- For those that are on the margins of society, the homeless who battle daily uncertainty and cannot thus correct long term issues they face, those at risk of homelessness, and those who struggle to make ends meet – We pray for resources and the correct form of aid to arrive.
- For children that are exposed to violence and abuse as they are growing up – May You show them love and create awareness of their situation that they may be helped.
- For front line and essential workers – We thank You for their services and ask that You bless them with courage and willpower.
- For wars, especially the escalation in Ukraine recently with flooding due to destruction of dams – We pray for strength of mind for residents who face death, destruction, and terror daily. We pray for peace to arrive.

PM Fijian

- We pray for those who are going through transitions from school to beyond.
- We pray for the Synod Pulse Team and Ofa's role as a newly commissioned Pastor in the Team, resourcing youth ministry across NSW/ACT.
- We pray for the guests at the Bula Feeding Ministry and Meals Plus and our wonderful volunteers. We pray for those who are unable to meet because of rain or storms and for those who have been sleeping rough.

PM Korean Faith Community

- We pray for the Korean community in Western Sydney and for the revival of the church.

Prayer Points

PM Leigh Memorial

- We pray for members who are unwell, and those experiencing anxiety and grief.
- We prayerfully support those in our local communities who need additional care and support at this time, including people experiencing hunger, homelessness, addiction, family crisis and loneliness, in addition to those who assist them – such as devoted care-givers, nurses, doctors, community support teams and emergency workers;
- We pray for wisdom and inspiration to infuse all current and forthcoming decision-making processes and actions by our dedicated ministry team, leaders, managers and staff – and specifically pray for Paul and the team at Meals Plus, Cameron and the team at Westmead and for the life, witness and outreach work being conducted by our fellow Parramatta Mission & Parramatta City Uniting Church communities;
- We pray for greater mutual respect, compassion and peace throughout the world, and for the realisation of an international spirit of inclusion, acceptance and love for all people.

Wider Work

For our Combined Parramatta Mission Team

- May God guide all our staff and volunteers to live out our values of grace, inclusion, dignity, faith and hope;
- Rev Geoff Smith, Rev. Vladimir, Rev. Hyun Goo, Chaplain Sarah, PMC Chairperson, David and Secretary Robert and all those who lead and serve.

Service & Zoom Information

Leigh Memorial

Time: Sunday 9.30am on site & Zoom

<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/5199089657>

Meeting ID: 519 908 9657

PCUC online service

<https://northmead.uca.org.au/>

Westmead

Time: Sunday 9.30am on site

Leigh Fijian

Time: Sundays 11.15am on site

Pastoral Contacts

Prayer Points may be sent to
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For a conversation or to contact a Minister, please call
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