

Services – Sunday 6 October, 2024

Pentecost 20

9.30am Five Dock

Preacher: Rev Wattson Pualilo

Reading: Hebrews 2: 5-12

Theme: "Take a look at me now"

We are glad to have you with us today in worship.

It is our hope that you will not only learn more about God, but that you will encounter Him and experience His presence, love and grace for you.

Diary Dates



Monday 7 October at 3pm

Monday Bible Study meets in the Church.

Reading: Mark 4:1-34

Theme: 'Kingdom Parables'

Sunday 20 October – Frontier Services Service

The theme of this service is 'Serve one another humbly in love'. We will be using the prepared service and invite everyone to share in a chicken and salad lunch following the service.

Life and Witness Consultation – Congregation Profile

If ministry is to continue here in Five Dock then there is an urgent need to update our Congregational profile. This was an important recommendation from the L&WC's final report, Rev Wattson Pualilo's term with us has been approved until the end of 2025 and the Profile will be the basis for calling a new ministerial agent.

The Profile cannot be more of the past so we need to be more innovative and forward thinking. We need 2 or 3 more volunteers to be part of this committee. The committee will have the assistance of Pastor Nadine Rozario from Sydney Presbytery to initiate a conversation regarding a fresh expression of ministry here.

The **Pastoral Prayer Roster** for October to December 2024 has been updated with new personnel for the prayer slot during the service.

Minutes of the **recent PAC and Congregation Meetings** are on the church notice board.

NSW Electoral Commission Council Pre-poll was held in the church from 7–13 September. Nearly 8,000 voters attended the Pre-poll. The church was left clean and tidy.

Church History Painting

A family member of the Heming family of Pine Ave, original parishioners of the Methodist Church in Five Dock, has offered the church a framed original painting of the first Methodist Church, built in 1866. The painting, with a suitable plaque, will be hung above the foundation stones on the wall of the Church foyer.



Praise and Prayer Points

Life and Witness Consultation Feedback

As part of the L&WC process, all Congregants were asked to complete a survey questionnaire. Dr Andrew Thornley, L&WC Team Leader, reported that the survey questionnaire revealed some very positive feelings about the life and witness at Five Dock Drummoyne Uniting Church. Andrew thanked all congregational members for their conscientious efforts in completing the survey.

Andrew highlighted seven points that received very strong affirmation from a good majority of all respondents. The comments in brackets are from Andrew.

The points, in no particular order, are:

1. There is a **strong sense of belonging** at Five Dock Drummoyne. (This is why we wanted to affirm continuing ministry on site.)
2. The **worship is spiritually enriching** (and thanks to all those involved – the Worship Committee, the musicians and technical supporters and, of course, the work of Rev Pualilo, who is greatly appreciated).
3. The **Weekly Bible Study received strong affirmation**.
4. Five Dock Drummoyne congregation continued to provide **opportunities for Growth in Faith** (and this environment is important at all stages in our Christian journey).
5. There is a **deep sense of Pastoral Care** for others (Wonderful!)
6. There is a **Spirit of Support and Fellowship** (we really need that in today's society).
7. **Five Dock Drummoyne are making active contributions to the wider community** (this is Christian service in action!)

God bless you all.
Andrew Thornley