



Services – Sunday 3 November, 2024

Pentecost 24

9.30am Five Dock

Preacher: Rev Wattson Pualilo

Reading: Luke 4: 20-30

Theme: "Where Do You Go?"

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 4 November at 3pm

Monday Bible Study meets in the Church.

Reading: Mark 6: 6-52

Theme: 'Understanding the Loaves'

Sunday 10 November after Service

Worship Committee will meet in the Church.

Sunday 17 November

Praise & Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday 20 November

Property and Administration Committee will meet in the Church.

Church Council will be held. Written reports covering the period from 1 July 2024 to the current day are required from the Minister, Treasurer, PAC, Congregation and Pastoral Carers Group. Reports to be at the Church Office by Wed 20 November for printing and distribution on Sunday 1 December.

The ***Church Roster*** for January – June 2025 will be prepared in early December. If you are presently rostered on duty it is anticipated you are willing to continue. Marie is the person to talk to if there is anything you wish to advise such as unavailable dates.

Frontier Service Lunch was an enjoyable time for those who gathered for the chicken and salad lunch following the Frontier Services themed worship service on 20th October.

Thanks is expressed to those who shopped and set up the tables and the team who later washed up and cleared the room, and the creative member who always gives us an Aussie quiz to exercise our minds, again used her talents and this provides a lot of fun. We missed those who could not be present because of health concerns.

A gift of \$1,000 to Frontier Services has been forwarded by the Congregation.

Charles Wesley (18 Dec, 1707 – 29 Mar, 1788) was an English Anglican cleric and a principal leader of the Methodist movement. Wesley was a prolific hymn-writer who wrote over 6,500 hymns during his lifetime. George Frideric Handel wrote music specifically for some of them. His works include: "And Can It Be", "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing", "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today", "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling", "Soldiers of Christ, Arise", "Rejoice, the Lord Is King", "Jesu, Lover of My Soul" and the carol "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing".

Wesley was born in Epworth, Lincolnshire, the eighteenth child (of 19) of Anglican cleric and poet Samuel Wesley and his wife Susanna. He was a younger brother of Methodist founder John Wesley, and the father of musician Samuel Wesley. On Whitsunday (Pentecost), May 21, 1738, he found himself "at peace with God". He became a very eloquent preacher for the Methodist cause and translated the gospel message into hymns, which became important means of evangelism.

His hymns are marked by their strong doctrinal content, a richness of scriptural and literary allusion, and the variety of his metrical and stanza forms. They are considered to have had a significant influence not only on Methodism, but on Christian worship and modern theology as a whole.

Charles Wesley has been called "the most gifted and indefatigable hymn-writer that England has ever known." He wrote more hymns, probably, than anyone before or since – it has been calculated that he wrote, on average, ten lines of verse per day for over fifty years. *The Collected Poems of John and Charles Wesley* (mostly by Charles) fill thirteen volumes, and much is only now being published.

There are 244 hymns penned by Charles Wesley in *The Methodist Hymn Book* (1933), 58 in *The Australian Hymn Book* (1977) and 41 in *Together in Song* (1999).

sources:

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part of stained glass window at Lake Junaluska, Haywood County, NC, USA