

June 2026

*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 Afternoon Bible Study

meets at 3pm in the Church foyer, led by Rev Wattson Pualilo. All are welcome.

14 – 26 June 2026

Refugee Week – this year's theme, 'A Million Stories', marks one million permanent humanitarian visas Australia has issued since international calls in 1947 to help resettle people after the horrors of WWII. This legacy of welcome is one of the nation's greatest strengths.

Wednesday 17 June

A Property and Administration Committee will be held at 11.30am in the Church foyer.

Sunday 21 June following service

Church Council – ** new meeting date **.

The meeting scheduled for May was postponed due to ill-health. The papers for the May meeting will be used for the June meeting. A reminder that all Congregation activities have to be approved by Church Council.

Monday 22 June

49th Anniversary of the establishment of the **Uniting Church in Australia**.

Congregation Matters

The minutes of the recent Congregation Meeting and PAC Meeting are available on the Church noticeboard.

Annual Report

Annual reports are required from the Minister, Church Council, Treasurer, Congregation, Property and Administration Committee, Worship Committee, Pastoral Carer's Group and Small Group. The deadline for these reports is **Wednesday 15 July** at the Church office. The 2026 Annual Report can then be compiled for printing.



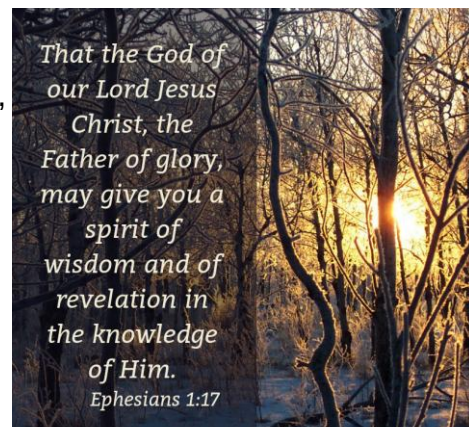
Praise and Prayer Points.

We limit not the truth of God

George Rawson (1807–1889) was born in Leeds, where he practised for many years as a solicitor. In 1853 he assisted the Congregational ministers of Leeds in the compilation of *Psalms, Hymns, and Passages of Scripture for Christian Worship*, a volume commonly known as the Leeds Hymn-book. In 1858 he also assisted Rev. Dr. Green and other Baptist ministers in the preparation of *Psalms and Hymns for the use of the Baptist Denomination*.

A number of Rawson's own compositions first appeared in this and in the Leeds Hymn-book. In 1876 he published his *Hymns, Verses and Chants*, including his previously published hymns, and containing 80 original pieces. In 1885 most of these, with several additional hymns, were published under the title *Songs of Spiritual Thought*.

Rawson's hymns are distinguished by refinement of thought, and delicacy and propriety of language; and if they do not attain the first rank among the songs of the Christian Church, many are of great excellence. The most widely known are "By Christ redeemed, in Christ restored", "Come to our poor nature's night", "Father in high heaven dwelling" and **"We limit not the truth of God"**:



*We limit not the truth of God
to our poor reach of mind,
to notions of our day and sect,
crude, partial and confined:
no, let a new and better hope
within our hearts be stirred:
the Lord has yet more light and truth
to break forth from his word.*

(Hymn 453 from *Together in Song*)

source: Hymnary.org hymnary.org/person/Rawson_G