

**Te Aroha  
Co-operating Parish**

May 18, 2025  
10.00 am

**Wesley Day**

**Worship Leader:**

Megan Gore

**Musician:**

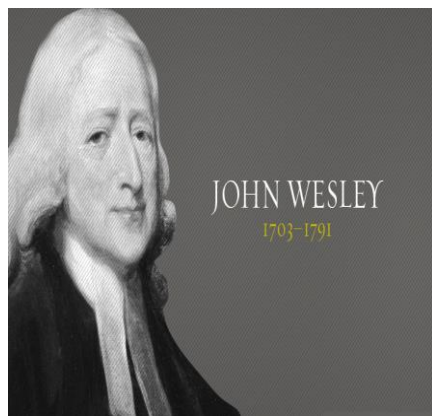
Myra Caldwell

**Reader:**

Tom Luxton

**Prayers of the People:**

Stephen Fordyce



**Te Aroha**

**Wednesday May 21**

**9.30 am** Care and Craft Group

**10.00 am** Music & Movement

**11.30 am** Community Lunch – (a \$5 donation would be appreciated please)

**12.30 pm** Pastoral Care Group – meeting in small Lounge

**Waitoa**

**Tuesday each week**

**10.00am to 1.30pm**

Red Cross Opportunity Shop in the Waitoa Church Hall

**Wednesday May 21**

**10.00 am** Friendship Group

**Sunday May 25**

**9.30 am** Rainbow Club Worship. Deacon Dianne Hight

**Did you know?**

**There are over 70,000,000 Methodists world-wide.**

The presence of Methodism in Aotearoa can be dated back to the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. For nearly 200 years the Methodist movement has taken various shapes and forms, attempting to carry out Gods work in the face of an ever-changing nation and world. From the first Mission Station in the early 1820's, to today's commitment to being a bi-cultural, multi-cultural church, the story of this church is fascinating and unique.

Some of the first Europeans to come to New Zealand were Methodist Missionaries. The Methodist emphasis on personal salvation and social responsibility both played a part in bringing missionaries to these shores. The first mission was in Kaero in Northland, set up in 1823 by the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society in Britain. More were set up in the 1930's and 1940's in Hokianga, Manuka Kawhia, Waipa, Mokau and New Plymouth in the North Island and Waikouaiti and Cloudy Bay in the South Island.

In 1845 a Native Institution was established to train Maori ministers to serve Maori communities. By 1858 10% of New Zealanders were Methodist – a higher proportion than in England! By 1850 there were 22 Ordained Methodist ministers in the Country.

In 1874 the church became independent of the British Conference and had its own Annual Conference in New Zealand. Until 1910 the New Zealand Conference reported to the Australian Conference every three years.

**Tonight 5.00pm a Wesley Day Service will be held Chartwell Parish  
Corner of Comries Rd. & Belmont Ave. Chartwell, Hamilton.  
Please bring a small plate of finger food to share.**

**Saint David's**

*Worship Leader*

*Musician*

*Worship Leader's Assistant*

*Reader*

*Prayers of the People*

*Welcomer*

*Sound and Data*

*Morning Tea*

*Open Church Friday May 16*

**May 25, 2025**

robyn brown

Tom Luxton

Lewis Hale

Mel Woodley

Patrick Chong

Dawn Harrison

Peter Kampenhout

John and Heather Hayden

*Ruth Hale*

**Refresh:**

Registration deadline extended. Please talk to robyn if you are interested.  
Funding available from Synod.

**Prayer Chain:**

If you, or someone you know is in need of the ministry of prayer,  
please contact Ruth Hale 884 8046.

**Contacts:**

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