



Act of thanksgiving

for the life and witness of those ministers who have died since the 2023 Synod meeting

Tributes

to those ministers who have celebrated or will celebrate 25, 50, 60, 65 and 70 years since ordination or commissioning between June 2024 and December 2025;
to those ministers who have retired since the 2023 Synod meeting; and
to those ministers who have been ordained, and those who have been received from other denominations, since the 2023 Synod meeting

Ministers who have died since the 2023 Synod meeting

Rev Dr Warren Bartlett - Moderator Synod of Victoria 1994-1997

Rev Alexander Adam
Rev John Blaze
Rev Malcolm Campbell
Rev Bruce Crowle
Rev Clement Dickinson
Rev Stanley Ford
Rev John Furness
Rev Cyril Germon
Rev Kim Groot
Rev Arthur (John) Haysey
Rev Frederic (Ric) Holland
Rev John Howard
Rev Raymond Jones
Rev Judith (Marion) Latham
Rev Kenneth Lindsay
Rev John Lukies
Rev Alan Parton
Rev Robert Potter

Rev William (Bill) Pugh
Rev Alan Renton
Rev Robert (Bob) Ross
Rev Howard Secomb
Rev Eunice Smith
Rev John WH Smith
Rev Deacon Barbara Spencer
Rev W Leigh Swaby
Rev Suipeli Taiaamoni Taliai
Rev Harold Taylor
Rev Robert Grant Thomas
Rev Wesley Trigg
Rev David Volk
Rev Alfred Webber
Rev Deacon David T Webster
Rev Keith Whitford
Rev Richard (Dick) Wootton
Rev Professor Norman Young

Ministers who have retired between 1 January 2024 – 31 December 2025

Rev Gordon Bannon
Rev Graham Bartley
Rev Kevin Barton
Rev Deacon Peter Batten
Rev Paul Blacker
Rev Deacon Amanda Blacker
Rev Andrew Boyle
Rev Dr Deacon Andy Calder

Rev John Clarke
Rev Tony Davies
Rev Deacon Wendy Elson
Rev Charles Gallacher
Rev Jennifer Gordon
Rev Angelina Griffin
Rev Graeme Harrison
Rev Dr Fiona Hill

Rev Swee Ann Koh
Rev Michele Lees
Rev Denise Liersch
Rev Kerrie Lingham
Rev Siotame Paletu'a
Rev John Payne
Rev Rosalie Rayment-Hewitt

Rev John Rigby
Rev Paul Sanders
Rev Paul Stephens
Rev Dr Geoffrey Thompson
Rev Andy Tiver
Rev Lavingi Tupou
Rev Arnold Wierenga

Ministers who have celebrated
25 years of ordination or commissioning
July 2024 – December 2025

Rev Deacon Richard Arnold
Rev Fran Barber
Rev Craig Collas
Rev James Douglas
Rev Deacon Chris Duxbury
Rev David Fotheringham
Rev Barbara Gayler
Rev Tevita Holani
Rev Heeyoung Lim
Rev Renate Macdonald

Rev Roslyn McDonald
Rev Denise Naish
Rev Dharendra Narayan
Rev Jennifer Pretty
Rev John Tansey
Rev Craig Thompson
Rev Andrew Tiver
Rev Dianne Watson
Rev Gordon Wild
Rev David Withers

Ministers who have celebrated
50 years of ordination or commissioning
July 2024 – December 2025

Rev Peter Batchelor
Rev John Bottomley
Rev Dr Wesley Campbell
Rev Donald Clarke
Rev John Cleghorn
Rev Edwin Curnow
Rev Brian Giddings
Rev Colleen Grieve
Rev Robert Humphreys
Rev Valerie Johnson

Rev William Lidgett
Rev Elaine Oliver
Rev Ian Nicolson
Rev Dr Randall Prior
Rev Robert Renton
Rev Dr Robyn Schaefer
Rev Dr John H Smith
Rev Penaia Te'o
Rev Eric Thomas
Rev Maxwell Woolcock

Ministers who have celebrated
60 years of ordination or commissioning
July 2024 – December 2025

Rev Norman Cameron
Rev John Connan
Rev Boris Doncev
Rev John Gillan
Rev Roger Rooks

Rev David Stark
Rev David U'Ren
Rev John Vander Reest
Rev Frederick Waine

Ministers who have celebrated
65 years of ordination or commissioning
July 2024 – December 2025

Rev Douglas Lloyd
Rev Donald McLean
Rev David Merritt
Rev Ian Williamson

Ministers who have celebrated
70 years of ordination or commissioning
July 2024 – December 2025

Rev Noel Schultz

Ministers who have been ordained since the
2023 Synod meeting

Rev Deacon Chris Booth
Rev Annie Brophy
Rev Deacon Chris Machar
Rev Kyle Moffitt
Rev Andreana Reale
Rev Dr Daniel Sihombing
Rev Ram Thanga
Rev Tanya Walker
Rev JaeEun Yun

Ministers who have been received
from other denominations since the
2023 Synod meeting

Rev Hui Young Han
Rev Craig Madden
Rev Peter Rivett
Rev Valentina Satvedi Leydon
Rev Han Song