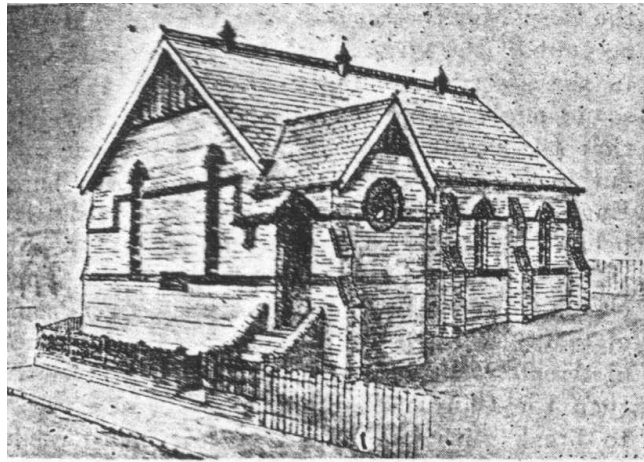


A Pictorial Record of Cardigan Street Church Camperdown

West Kingston Methodist Church
1905 - 1977

West Kingston Uniting Church
1977 - 1999

Camperdown Stanmore Community Church
1999 – 2023



A drawing of the new Methodist chapel in Cardigan Street in 1905.
From *The Methodist* church newspaper.



Camperdown Stanmore Community Church 2023

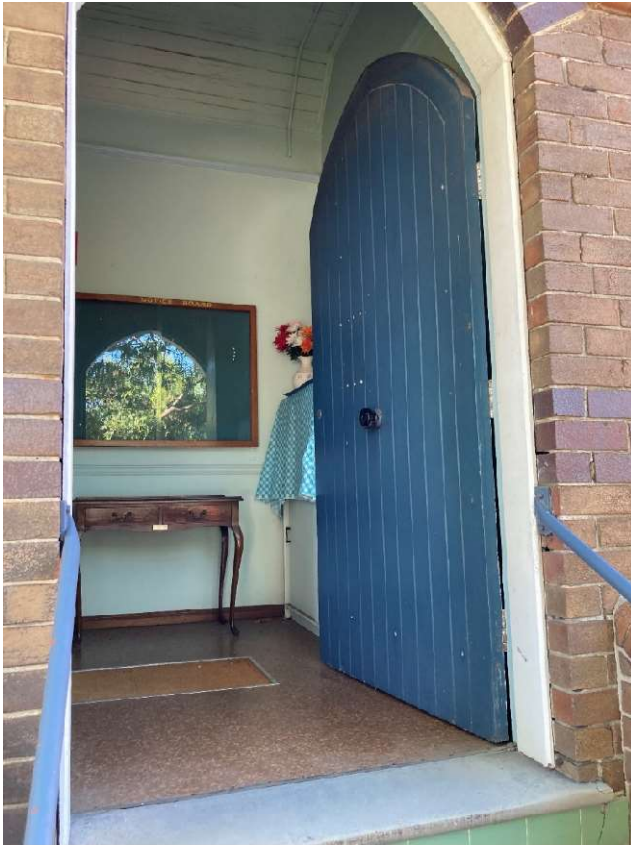




Church Building from the internal courtyard.



The front fence was repaired in 2021, and retained a good colour (for a while)



Front Entrance
and front
vestry.

The
noticeboard
has a glass
cover that
provides a
reflection to
the trees
outside.





The remaining piece of the original carpet, and portions of carpet that covered the timber floor at times.



The church pews were mostly sold during 2006, with a small number placed in the large hall around the sides. A new carpet was installed.



The original pulpit. A central feature of the Ministry was the Ministry of the Word. During the 1980s most of the preaching began to be conducted from a lectern in the centre of the front section of the sanctuary area.

The major renovations to the interior of the church were undertaken in the 1990s with the removal of the pulpit, the fixed communion table and the communion rail. The communion rail was used to make the free-standing Lord's Table that was located underneath the Dickson Memorial Window in a similar position to the previous fixed table.

The new table was moved toward the front of the sanctuary area for communion times and members gathered around the table to celebrate the Lord's Supper as a group.



The church pews were replaced in 2006 by free-standing chairs. The photos in this overview are from the covid-era time and show a variety of spaced chair arrangements.





The small vestry room that was included with the new building 1934 to link all the church building together. This shows the way through the small internal vestry to the 'kinder room' or Sunday School room.



View from the 'kinder room' through the small vestry into the church.



The 'kinder room' with the storeroom on the left side and newer storage cupboards on the right side. This room was built in 1954 following the fire the previous year that destroyed the original building (1934). The new building connected the church providing all weather access through all the buildings.





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The internal courtyard entrance to the halls and through to the kitchen.





The large hall dedicated in 1933 by Sir Betram Stevens, then NSW Premier and Sunday School Superintendent.





Passageway to the small fellowship/storeroom,
and around and through to the kitchen



The small room connected to the kinder room with storage cupboards.
It has been used for a variety of meetings.





The small room is located off the passageway that leads to the kitchen and then bathroom facilities and finally to the outside and the exit to Salisbury Road.





The kitchen area, retaining a mostly 1950s look.



The passageway through to the new toilet block and out to the yard and then through to Salisbury Road exit.

The new toilet block was completed in 2011, fulfilling the dual need of a wheelchair accessible toilet and removing the access for the lady's bathroom that was previously via the kitchen.





The side entrance/exit that leads to the backyard and exit onto Salisbury Road, Camperdown. A new exit door was included in the renovations and the addition of the new toilet block that included a wheelchair accessible toilet. This is the extension section on the right below.





The small but useful backyard area with the now very large palm tree.



Two examples of early (1960s) West Kingston Methodist signs. The signs were painted on metal and manufactured at the Fitch Bodyworks Factory, through long-standing steward Lou Fitch.



Sign in 2005 with the top name section. This was destroyed in an act of vandalism and was not replaced.



Sign from 2010. It linked in with a seminar for that year.



In 2011 FTH Australia advised that they had contact from this sign.



Placed in April 2020 following the Covid-era restrictions.



Sign for the January 2023 weekend celebration and thanksgiving time.



Sign for May 2023 to indicate the coming conclusion of the local ministry at Camperdown Stanmore Community Church.



Sign advertising the final service for the Camperdown Stanmore Community Church that was held on 25 June 2023.

The final service concluded the Christian witness of the Methodist and Uniting fellowships over 118 years. A booklet with the order of service and the four messages presented on the day is available on request.



Final Sign on Notice Board June 2023.

Closing verse from Scripture: *1 John 4: 9*

This is love.

God showed His Love among us.

He sent His one and only son

into the world

so we might live in him.

Photo reference. The ‘new’ photos were taken in March and April 2023. The year reference (if known) for the other photos is indicated in the notes. This material was prepared in September 2023 for the wider Kingston Camperdown Fellowship network for information.

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