

NEW CHURCH OPENED AND DEDICATED.

"The new church was the culmination of a long period of planning, giving and hard work" said the Rev. Dr. J. J. Lewis, tutor in Biblical studies at Trinity College, Auckland, at the opening and dedication of St. Luke's Methodist Church, No. 3 at Westown, New Plymouth, on Saturday afternoon.

The church was officially opened by Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Wright, two of the oldest members of the congregation and was dedicated by Dr. Lewis. The large congregation filled the church with some people standing, and about 60 listened to a relay of the service outside the church.

The foundation stone for the building was laid on May 27th this year.

The Venerable Archdeacon K. Liggett, President of the New Plymouth Ministers Association conveyed greetings from the churches of New Plymouth, and the Rev. W. H. Greenslade, acting chairman of the district spoke on behalf of the churches of the Methodist synodal district.

The service was preceded by an organ recital by Mr. H. Temple White, OBE.

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