



Wk 9

Sunday 2 October 2022

TODAY'S 9:45AM SERVICE:

Our 9:45am service is live streamed to our YouTube and Facebook Channels. Please occupy the pews towards the back if you don't wish to feature on our stream.

- Welcome
- Songs
- Confession
- Spotlight
- Bible Reading:
[Psalm 9](#)
(Bible p.539)
- Sermon
- Song
- Prayer
- Song
- Conclusion

If you are a visitor to our service please don't feel obliged to contribute financially.

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Welcome to St Stephen's. We are glad to have you with us! We hope you are warmly welcomed by our church family today, and we hope to be a spiritual home for you. We would love to hear from you. Please take a moment to fill in the Connect card and let us know you came. You can access the card via the QR code. Or you can use the hard copy version inside.



Over these past few weeks, we have been looking at the Psalms. Psalms are songs/poems from the Old Testament. Today we are looking at Psalm 9. It is not an easy Psalm to understand. If you find parts of the Bible difficult to understand, that's okay! We do too. Listening to the Bible is the central part of our Sunday gatherings. We do this because we believe that the Bible is God's Word. No part of the Bible is ever inaccessible to us when we see it through the lens of the gospel of Christ. It also reminds us that God is God and we are not. We hope that Psalm 9 will give you insight into who God is and how we can approach him. Next week we will begin a new sermon series in the book of Colossians and celebrate the Lord's Supper.



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Prayers for the Service

These prayers are used during the service. Prayer is a privilege we are given because Christ died for us. His death & resurrection means we can confidently approach God seeking forgiveness (Hebrews 10:22). If you believe that Christ died to deal with your failings then you should be confident to pray with us. If you are still exploring who Christ is then feel free to listen in.

A Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven,
You are big and we are small.
Thank you that you are the King over everything.
We are sorry for not loving or listening to you.
We are sorry that we choose our way instead of yours.
Please help us live as friends with you
through Jesus Christ.
Help us to listen and love you by your Holy Spirit.
Amen.

¹⁵Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance:
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners

1 Timothy 1:15

The Lord's Prayer

This is the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray (Matthew 6:5-14).
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Sermon Notes

I will give thanks to you, LORD | Passage: [Psalm 9](#)

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We're launching
something

FRESH

A Prayer and Training meeting will take place
on Sunday, 16th Oct, 4-5pm.

In January, we're launching a fresh gospel
community on Sunday afternoons for Willoughby,
Artarmon & Chatswood.

For more information visit:
st-stephens.com.au/fresh

Join us to explore the
big questions of

life

with

wine tasting & smoked meats

Wed 26 Oct | 7pm | \$10pp

Come and try interesting wine and food combinations, and explore the big questions of life.

Non-alcoholic wine will also be available.



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Notices

A Taste of LIFE — Wed 26 October

On Wednesday, 26 October, we invite our community to join us and explore life's big questions over food and drinks. We will be exploring different wine and food pairings. Wilson Toh will bring meats smoked in his home smoker. Non-alcoholic wine will also be available; tickets are \$10 per person. You can buy tickets at st-stephens.com.au/spring. This night will be a taster of the Life Course (which will continue the following three Wednesday nights). Guests can continue looking into life with Jesus and the Christian faith. We know that many of your friends have questions about life. We hope this night will help them ask their questions and look into life with Jesus. Who could you bring along? To reserve your spot visit st-stephens.com.au/spring.

The Life Course — 2nd, 9th, and 16th of November

One of the biggest claims made by Jesus is that He has come so “that we may have life and have it to the full” (John 10:10). The Christian faith is more than just a set of beliefs. It is a life to be lived, a life with purpose, and a life in relationship with Jesus. The Life Course explores what such a life looks like. Each night is a chance to hear what Jesus says about life, and ask any questions you may have—all over food and drinks. It's an opportunity to explore Jesus and the Christian faith.

Church outside — 25th Sept 2022

We tried something different last week. We had our evening (5:30pm) service outside. We heard God's word from the Bible, sang, prayed and had supper together. There was even a fire-pit that we all huddled around.



Crafternoon – 11th Oct 2022

As a church, we want young people to develop a faith that is biblically shaped and active. One of the ways this happens is by kids doing crafts that reinforce lessons from the bible. We would love your help in preparing these craft activities. Having the craft prepared is helpful as it frees up the kid's leaders to spend more time preparing the biblical content of the lesson. You don't need any particular craft skills. If you can cut, glue or stick we can put you to good use!

When: Tuesday, 11th October, 1-3pm.

Where: Hainsworth Hall

SRE @ St Stephen's

St. Stephen's coordinates Protestant/Anglican Special Religious Education (SRE) at Willoughby Public school. We have a team of experienced teachers from local churches (some of them are members of our congregation) working closely with Willoughby Public. It gives us an opportunity to connect with students and families who would otherwise have no opportunity to hear the Gospel. Kids we teach at SRE often attend other programmes we run, like Sunday Kids. If you are interested in serving on this team, send an email to Pippie her email address is pippie@st-stephens.com.au.



Newish Morning Tea

Feeling out of place or unsure about things in any new situation is natural. Coming to a new Church is no different. We aim to make St. Stephen's accessible to everyone, especially if you are new. We know there are still things you might not know or would like more information about. Newish Morning Tea is a space where you hear an outline of our Church life & structures and work out how best to find your home here. They run once a month for half an hour after 9:45am service in the Office. Save the date in your calendar and send an email Jill Chilton (jill@st-stephens.com.au) to reserve your spot. You can also talk to her after the service.



What's Coming Up

Sunday 9th	GaP Group Leaders Meeting
Tuesday 11th	Playtime resumes Crafternoon, 11th October, 2022. 1-3pm Hainsworth Hall
Sunday 16th	Sunday kid's & youth programmes resume
Friday 21st	Half Past Six Youth Group resumes
Wednesday 26th	A Taste of Life (opening night of the Life Course) Register
Sunday 30th	Newish Morning Tea, after 9:45am service in the Office

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