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Wk 7

Sunday 13 October 2024

Our 9:45am service is live streamed to our YouTube and Facebook Channels.

TODAY'S 9:45AM SERVICE

- Welcome
- Songs
- Spotlight
- Bible Reading:
1 Cor 10:1-11:1
(p. 1150)
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Welcome to church! It's such a blessing to gather together as God's people. Today, we have the privilege of hearing the Bible read and explained, reminding us of the grace and truth found in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

What a joy it is to come before God in prayer, knowing He listens to us and responds in love. Fellowship is another gift we enjoy, as we encourage one another in our walk with Christ.

We invite you to stay after the service for morning tea. It's a great opportunity to connect with others, share life, and continue building relationships in a spirit of grace. We're so glad you're here, and we hope today's time together refreshes your heart and draws you closer to Jesus.



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Next Steps

Are you new? We would love to meet you. Hear a brief intro on the life of our church at our next [Newish Morning Tea](#) on 20 October. It runs for ½ an hour straight after the service.

Been regularly coming? If you are a regular member of our church, we encourage you to attend our next [Belonging Course](#) which runs on 10 November from 12-3pm. Belonging is the gateway to our GaP Groups, serving and deeper connection with the community. Or if you'd like to learn more at another time, you can arrange a coffee with Prash or Jill. Simply reach out - they'd love to chat.

Prayers for those not sharing in Lord's Supper

Participation in the Lord's Supper is for those who have professed faith in Jesus - it's a powerful and important symbol of the Christian message. As such we want to encourage those who are still exploring the Christian faith to feel free to remain in their seats when others move to the front to receive the Lord's Supper. During that time you may want to reflect on the sermon or Bible reading. You may also want to pray one of these prayers below.

Prayer for those searching for truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me who you are. Give me an understanding of you that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayers adapted from Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York.

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 forever
Amen

Sermon Notes

Faith that's not just Sundays | 1 Corinthians 10:1-11:1

Preacher: Damien Clark

Gospel and Prayer (GaP) Group Study

1. What's one habit or activity you do regularly that you think defines who you are?

Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-11:1

Getting your head around the passage:

Choose as many of these questions as you need to get your head around the passage.

- A. What specific sins does Paul warn against in verses 6-10?
- B. Why are these examples given to the Corinthians?
- C. In verse 12, Paul says, "Let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall." How does this warning relate to the examples of Israel's failures in vv.1-5?
- D. What does v.13 say about God's faithfulness?

2. In 10:31, Paul says, "So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." How does this command apply to everyday life beyond just religious practices?

3. How can you better glorify God in the ordinary, daily aspects of your life (e.g. work, relationships, leisure)?

4. In what areas of your life do you find yourself compartmentalising your faith, treating it as a “Sunday-only” activity rather than a daily walk with God?

5. Paul mentions sins like idolatry and grumbling. Are there modern-day “idols” or attitudes in your life that distract you from glorifying God in all things?

6. Verses 12-13 acknowledge both the reality of our struggles and the faithfulness of God in providing a way out of temptation. How does this give you comfort in areas where you’ve failed in the past?

7. Reflecting on 11:1, where Paul says, “Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ,” how does the grace of God in Jesus’ example of perfect obedience encourage you as you seek to live for His glory?

Read the Bible with us!

1. What impact does your faith have on your daily living? Why is this essential?
2. What area of your life needs to change? How might it look different?
3. Ask God to enable changes where they are needed?

Monday - [Colossians 3:17](#)

Tuesday - [Proverbs 3:5-6](#)


Wednesday - [Romans 12:1](#)

Thursday - [1 Corinthians 10:31](#)

Friday - [James 2:17](#)

Notices

Come and See | Monday nights




COME & SEE


is for anyone who wants to know how to live *the life they were made to live.*

Jesus made one of the biggest claims ever when he said: **“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” (John’s Gospel, Chapter 10, Verse 10)**

Whether you’re asking life’s big questions, looking for a fresh start, or new to the Christian faith, Come & See is a chance to get together with others and see what the Bible says about Jesus and the life he offers. No prior knowledge or experience is required. Come and see!

MONDAY NIGHTS 7PM-8:30PM
Free food and drink.

 Scan to let us know you’re coming.
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Prayer Week | 21-24 October

Join us for our Week of Prayer from 21-24 October (Mon-Thurs from 7:30-8:30pm), as we seek God together for the life and future of our church.

Prayer is foundational to our growth, godliness, and unity as a community. As we long to be a church made **beautiful, diverse, and large** by the gracious work of Christ, prayer is essential. Through prayer, we align our hearts with God’s purposes, and invite His Spirit to shape us into a vibrant, Christ-centered community.

Let’s gather in faith, lifting up our church and seeking God’s will together. Don’t miss this powerful week!



Notices

Ministry Fair | 20 October

Join us for the Ministry Fair on Sunday, 20th October as part of Vision Sunday!

Explore how God might use you in 2025 to help build a church made beautiful, diverse, and large by the work of Christ. Discover various ministries, meet people serving, and ask questions in a relaxed, fun atmosphere.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."
(1 Corinthians 12:27)



What's Coming Up

- 14 Oct - 16 Dec Come and See (Mondays)
- 15 October Crafternoon
- 17 October Encounter for Seniors
- 20 October Vision Sunday
- 20 October Ministry Fair

For more on what's happening this spring at St Stephen's, visit st-stephens.com.au/spring

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