



St Stephen's
WILLOUGHBY

WE LONG TO BE A CHURCH MADE

beautiful, diverse and large

by the gracious work of Christ

Week 2

TODAY'S 9:30AM SERVICE

- Welcome
- Songs
- Confession & Assurance
- Spotlight
- Prayer for Children
- Song
- Bible Reading:
John 4:1-42
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- Sermon
- Song
- Prayers
- Vision Spot
- Song
- Conclusion

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Sunday 19 July 2026

Welcome! We're so glad you've joined us today as we continue our Bring Friends quarter. Whether you're visiting, exploring Christianity, or part of our church family, you're warmly welcome. What happens when someone truly meets Jesus? In John

4, we meet a woman whose life is transformed by an unexpected conversation at a well. She arrives carrying disappointment, shame and unanswered longing. She leaves with a joy she cannot keep to herself. Running back to her town, she simply invites others: "Come, see a man..." We live in a culture that offers countless wells promising satisfaction—success, relationships, comfort, achievement. Yet our hearts often remain thirsty. Jesus alone offers the living water that truly satisfies.

That's why we long to be a church made beautiful, diverse and large by the gracious work of Christ. As we find our deepest joy in Him, our prayer is that many more across the Lower North Shore will come and discover Him for themselves.



Connect Card

Next Steps

Are you new? Catch up with Prash or Jill to share your story and hear about St Stephen's church life.

Been regularly coming? If you are a regular member of our church, we encourage you to attend our next [Belonging Course](#) which runs on September 13 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 sooner, you may also like to arrange a coffee with Prash or Jill. Simply reach out – they'd love to chat.

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

Heavenly Father,
we praise you for adopting us as your children
and making us heirs of eternal life.
In your mercy you have washed us from our sins
and made us clean in your sight.
Yet we still fail to love you as we should
and serve you as we ought.
Forgive us our sins and renew us by your grace,
that we may continue to grow as members of Christ,
in whom alone is our salvation. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst.

John 4:14

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

Deep Fulfillment in Christ | John 4:1-42

Preacher: Prashanth Colombage

1. The Needs of People

The Broken Woman

Facing the truth

2. The Satisfaction of Jesus

3. The Impact of Jesus

Re-aligned priorities

Unlikely converts

Going Deeper During The Week

Opening Reflection

What was something you enjoyed, learned, or were challenged by from Sunday's sermon?

Going deep in God's Word

Read the passage from Sunday

1. What stands out to you in this passage? (ie. Are there any repeated words, surprising details, commands, promises, or questions that feel significant?)
2. Try to break down the passage into different sections.
3. What would be missing if we didn't have this passage in the Bible? What does it reveal about who God is and who we are?
4. What aspect of the gospel is shown and magnified by this passage? How does this passage make you delight in and worship your Lord Jesus?

🙏 Praying big prayers shaped by the gospel

In light of this passage, reflect and pray using the following questions as a guide.

1. What is one attitude, belief or belief that God is challenging you to change this week?
2. What comfort can you cling onto this week from His grace?
3. What is an ambitious prayer you can pray for our church and those in our neighbourhood/lives who don't yet know Jesus?

Spend time with God each day!

We're going through the Old Testament this term!

Read through the passages and use the following questions to help you.

- What does this show you about God and His character?
- What does this show you about humanity (us)?
- How does this point to what Jesus will do or what He'll be like?

Monday - Numbers 32

Tuesday - Numbers 33

Wednesday - Numbers 34

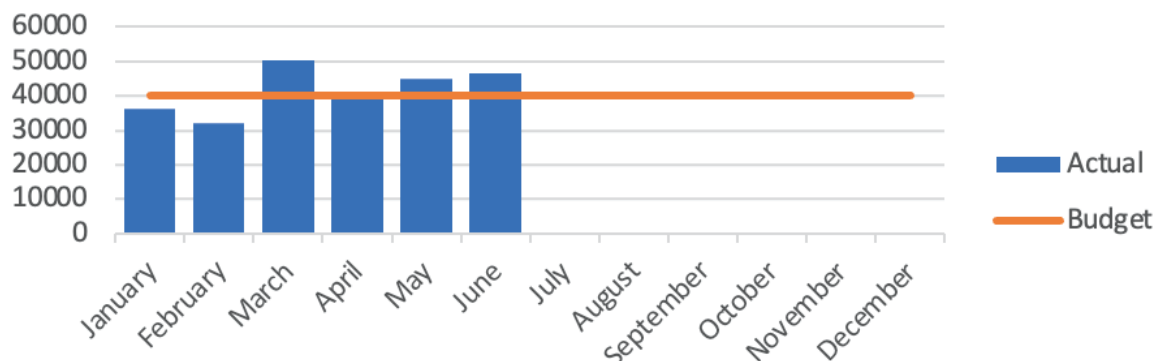
Thursday - Numbers 35

Friday - Numbers 36

Notices

Finances

Thank you to those who give regularly to our ministry. We have been blessed in the past two months with generosity which has met our budget needs.



This term we want to reach a record number of people through outreach. Will you help us financially to exceed budget so more can be spent on mission in our local context? Let us give not just for maintenance but for mission!

Kids & Youth

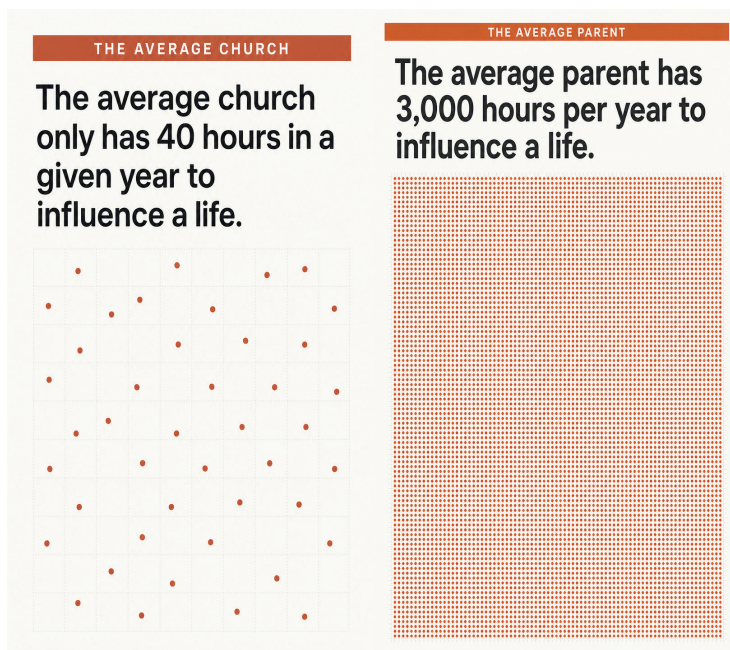
Parents are the primary disciple makers.

We will not hide them from their descendants;

we will tell the next generation

(Ps 78:4)

We want to equip you in this vital task. This term we will have 2 new resources to help you.



1. Take-home sheets: A short summary of what we learnt that week on Sunday and a few questions to discuss as a family. These will help parents to help their kids apply what they have learnt in everyday life
2. Mission Planning: A resource to help families prayerfully and intentionally invite others to church and kids' programs during Term 3.

Look out for them next week!

Notices

Spiritual Growth

As we prepare for the International Food Feast, Alpha and all we are doing as a church this coming term, join us for our Week of Prayer (27-31 July).

In Colossians 4:2-4, Paul urges believers to “devote yourselves to prayer... praying that God may open to us a door for the word...and that it would be proclaimed clearly”



Week Of Prayer

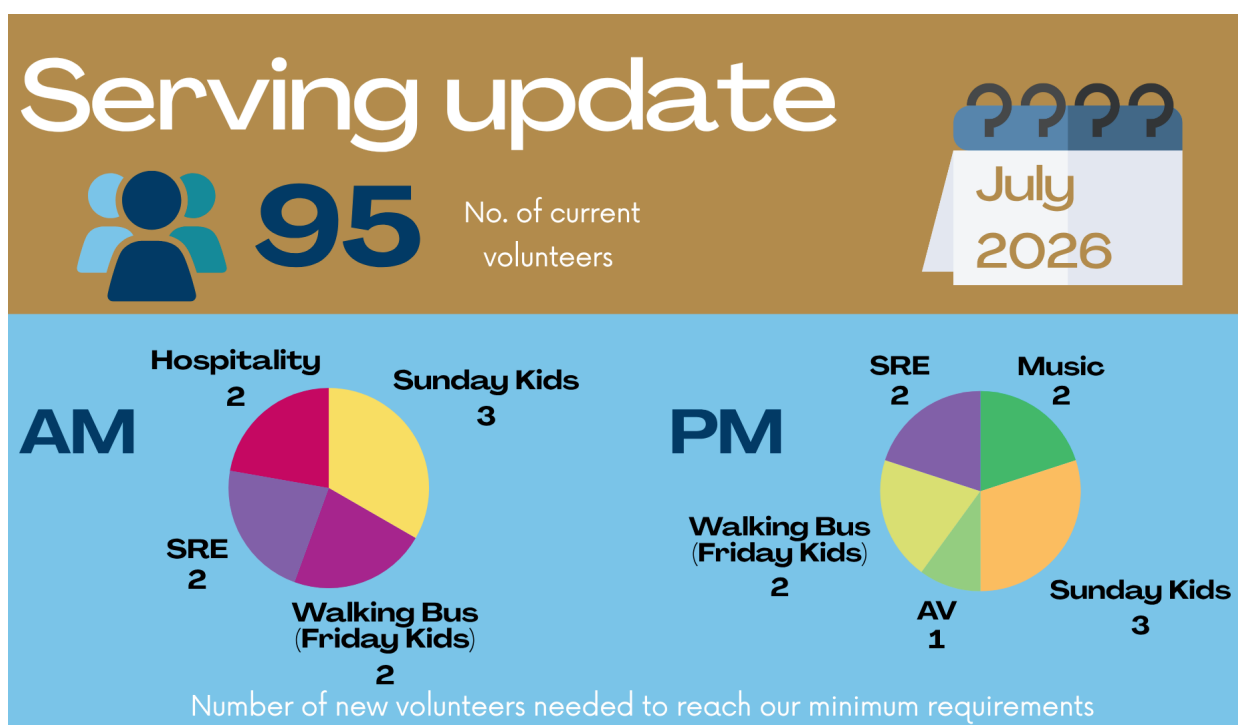
**Praying for our friends
to come to know Christ**

27 - 31 JULY

MONDAY - THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:30 - 8:30 PM	1:30 PM

Come and pray that God would open doors for the gospel, that we would proclaim it clearly, and He would graciously draw our friends and family to faith in Christ.

Serving Update



If you are interested in joining a team, please fill out the connect card here: <https://st-stephens.com.au/connectcard/>

What's Coming Up

20 July	Come and See
21 July	Crafternoon
22 July	Evangelism Training
27 July	Come and See
17 August	International Food Feast

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

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