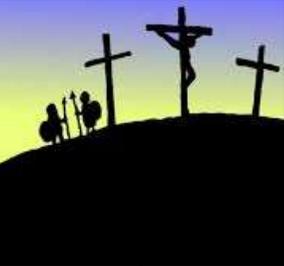


What's going on @ acpc in April?

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	7.30pm <i>Professionals Group</i>	10.30am <i>Ladies' Group</i> 6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i> 8pm <i>Greenlane Group</i>			10.30am <i>Combined Easter Sunday Service</i> 3-5pm <i>Table Tennis</i>
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	7.30pm <i>Professionals Group</i>	6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i>			1:00 pm <i>Combined Baptism and Dedication Service</i> <i>(replaces 10.30am Service)</i>
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	7.30pm <i>Professionals Group</i>	6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i> 8pm <i>Greenlane Group</i>		<i>Church retreat</i> 	10.30am <i>Communion Service</i> 3-5pm <i>Table Tennis</i>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	7.30pm <i>Professionals Group</i>	6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i> 7.30pm <i>Prayer Group</i>			10.30am <i>Service</i> 3-5pm <i>Table Tennis</i>

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praying for others

- **Rev Tang & Rev Vogel as they minister at ACPC** – for wisdom & God's guidance in leading our ministries.
- **ACPC congregations** – we pray that we can make a fresh commitment to pursue You today, excited to see the amazing things You will do in our lives.
- **For our neighbours in the city** – that we take the opportunities to show Your kindness, love, mercy, grace and hope to our neighbourhood, especially those without homes.
- **During Lent** – Help us to prepare for Easter, remembering Christ's sacrifice for us and what it means to follow Him.
- **For work and careers** - We thank you for offering us the chance to share in creation through the work of hand and brain; for the opportunity to plan and design, to manufacture and grow, to service and conserve, and to care for one another in the places where we work.



The Big Reveal

Robert O'Callahan

Luke 19:28-40

*A very warm welcome to everyone,
especially visitors,
to the service today!
Please join us for morning tea
afterwards.*

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Serving @ acpc

Service Leader
Music Leader
Bible Reader
Ushers
Techno
Cup of Tea & Dishes

This week

Marty Bing
Darren Koo
Stephen Tsang
Amelia Bing, Shirley Chan
Avery, Rob Wong
Glenda Choy, Tony Cooper,
Bryony To

Next week

Edith Poon
Peter Ting
Michelle Tsang
Eva Yeung, Ricky Yap
Mandy, Harvey
Quin Gee, Celia Wong,
Jean Wong & volunteers

Reaching out each week @ acpc

Tea and Talk - tea and English conversation: every Thursday at church from 10.30am-12pm

Table tennis: Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly, a good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.



Potluck tonight! Our theme this month is Palm Sunday. Traditionally, no meat was eaten on Palm Sunday, so here are some suggestions: vegetarian dishes, salads, fish, hot-cross buns, (tea) eggs, soups... or your favourite recipe. We have more visitors than church members at the potluck nowadays - so come and enjoy meeting new visitors and help making them feel at home at our church.

Easter Sunday 1st April is a combined service at 10.30am and lunch. Please can you bring a plate to share - something that doesn't need heating up if possible. Thank you.

Combined Baptism Sunday 8th April at 1pm. There will be a combined Baptism Service and Children's dedication at St Matthews Church in Hobson Street. There will not be a 10.30am service that day. Our own Nancy and Mandy will be baptised and Justin and Caleb will be dedicated. To continue the celebration, we shall be walking back to church for a special afternoon tea after the service. Please bring a plate to share if you can. Thank you.

EM Retreat Saturday 14th April, 10am - 4pm at St Heliers Presbyterian Church. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided as well as a crèche so your young ones will be well looked after. It's \$10 per adult (children and students free). Please complete the sign up form on the hall table or email me (Jean Wong at sojewong@gmail.com) that you are coming - it will be a good day to mix and mingle with one another - and it is guaranteed to be an interesting, educational and thoroughly worthwhile day.

After the service each week, please remember to...

Lift and place the chairs as quietly as practical when putting them away. If it's dry, please exit through Jenny's lovely garden and down the side of the church. If it's wet, please be as quiet as possible when using the stairs while the CM service is still going.

Keep pressing on

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'Straining towards what is ahead, I press on.' Philippians 3:13-14 NIV

Developing your faith is like taking swimming lessons. Observe: (1) Fear is like water; if you let it, it will take you under. (2) You can only tread water for so long before you drown. (3) When you reach a certain point, there's no turning back. (4) Faith is like the air in your lungs; it will sustain you and keep you afloat if you just relax.

Have you ever watched a seasoned swimmer? Stroke after stroke, he takes what's in front of him and pushes it behind him, letting it propel him towards his goal. He literally takes what stands between him and his goal, and uses it to get there. Sometimes we despair and say, 'I'm just keeping my head above water,' and that's ok as long as you keep 'stroking' and pressing on. It's when you feel backed into a corner with nowhere to turn that you've got to take hold of the faith God has placed within you and keep moving forward. Jesus said, 'The Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force' (Matthew 11:12 NKJV). The word 'violence' suggests ferocity, passion, and intensity. You must be relentless and fight your way through, confident that God is on your side - because he is (see Psalm 56:9). The waters you're in don't determine your destiny; they either carry you over or take you under. It takes faith to keep going. When you quit, God can do nothing more for you!

So today whether you're doing the breaststroke, the backstroke, or some other kind of stroke that nobody's ever heard of - keep pressing on.