

What's happening in August @ ACPC?

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk 7:00pm Prayer then Greenlane Group		10.00am Remuera Home Group	10.30am Sunday Service 3-5pm Table Tennis
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk			10.30am Sunday Service & Communion 3-5pm Table Tennis
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk 8:00pm Greenlane Group		10.00am Remuera Home Group	10.00am Prayer then 10.30am Sunday Service 3-5pm Table Tennis 6-9pm Pot Luck Dinner
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk			FATHER'S DAY 10.30am Sunday Service 3-5pm Table Tennis

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praying for others

- **Rev Tang & Pastor Cox** – for God's guidance, wisdom, love, and strength in leading our ministries. We pray for blessings on them and their families.
- **ACPC's needs** – we pray:
 - May God put His mission and His will in the prayer of each church member;
 - For our leaders' wisdom and patience when seeking God's will and guidance;
 - For unity among the entire congregation for our building;
 - For the parents in ACPC (especially for Rayvin and Joyce with Elliette's infant dedication today), that they may nurture and inspire their children to live godly lives;
 - For those who are injured or unwell, may You give comfort, rest, healing and energy; and
 - For those facing issues with their job situation, we pray for perseverance, peace of mind, and a resolution to their difficulties.



"Don't Muzzle the Ox!"

Funding the Great Commission - the pleasures and pitfalls of raising money for God's work

1 Corinthians 9:3-14

Pastor Andrew Cox

*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
Ant Yan
Benson Fong
Stephen & Jacqueline Tsang
Mandy Lowe, Rob Fong
Rachael Cox, Jean Wong,
Quin Gee

Next week

Glenda Choy
Andrew Cox
Suan Tan
Brendon & Ginny Fraser
Mandy Lowe, Blake O'Callahan
Bryony To, Pauliana Lo,
Michelle Tsang

Reaching out each week @ acpc

Tea and Talk - games, tea and English conversation:

Thursdays 10.30am-12pm

Table tennis:

Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly



Recently a radical shake-up of New Zealand's abortion laws was proposed in our parliament. The taking of the life of an unborn child is still technically illegal in NZ but it is relatively easy to obtain. The new law aims to bring the law more in line with actual practice. But the most disturbing part is that the current proposal will make it much easier to get an abortion up to 20 weeks.

On Thursday, 94 MPs voted for and 23 against passing the bill on to Select Committee. Many people, especially Christians, will be deeply disturbed by this. The rights of women are important of course, but what about the rights of the unborn child?



Prediction: The Select Committee will be inundated with submissions, mainly against the proposed law changes and they will dismiss most of them as being "religiously motivated". Should we give up? Of course not. We must try. But we must also pray and support organisations like Pregnancy Counselling Services. May God save the children!

Redemptive Family is starting

Our new 6-week series, "Redemptive Family" **next week**. To get the most out of it, make sure you buy your personal devotional booklet from today. Only \$5. And join a small group near you! The leaders' contact details are on the back page of this newsletter.



25 Union Street Parish Council Update

As part of our due diligence process on the purchase of 25 Union Street we have reviewed the estimated costs associated with the floor strengthening required by the Auckland Council and the expected renovation costs. These were found to be within the budgeted amounts previously presented to the congregation.



The Parish Council has also performed a legal, financial and building/property review, and identified any possible risks and associated mitigation.

The conclusion was that the Parish Council felt comfortable to proceed, and consequently unanimously approved to proceed to going unconditional on 25 Union Street. Settlement date will be the 21st August 2019. Please continue to pray for the logistics associated with the building, and those taking part in this work.

Questions



1. Have you ever been involved in a fund-raising project? How did it go?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 9:3-7. What examples does Paul use here?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 9:8-14. What is the principle? What is the big "but" in v12b? Why? (See also v18).
4. Paul didn't want to put any barrier in the way of people accepting the gospel. What barriers to accepting the gospel do people experience today? How can we overcome them?

Identifying your Passion exercise (in today's message)

- If you could snap your fingers and know that you couldn't fail, what would you do that would be most fulfilling personally and be of help to others?
- What do you repeatedly see that annoys or angers you, which if changed, would benefit others?
- I care about some things more than others. I care most about...
- At the end of my life, I'd love to be able to look back and know that I have done something about...
- List your top 3 to 5 most meaningful and positive experiences. Briefly describe what you achieved and why it meant so much to you.
- Based on your responses to this exercise, what do think your main career passion might be?
- Based on your responses, what do you think your main life passion might be?

