

Welcome to St Andrew's



"I hope you will enjoy the time we spend together today. If you are new, or passing through, we hope you are blessed by joining with us who call Hong Kong, and St Andrew's, home. Come over to the Hub so we can offer you a personal welcome and a small gift to say hello."

Rev John Menear
Vicar

My Story

Sweet Fellowship

"The fellowship of the saints is the sweetest thing this side of heaven." We have certainly found that to be true in our Wednesday morning Ladies Growth Group. For the last 5 years we have been meeting together to study God's word. We encourage one another, challenge one another, rejoice together, cry together, pray together and eat together (the most heavenly treats imaginable thanks to Megan McCoy!). We share more freely with one another as time goes by, building trust and friendships we hope will last the test of time. We have welcomed and fare-welled many ladies who have passed through Hong Kong.

At the time of writing this, one such lady has just left our group. I'll never forget her expressing once during our group (I'm sure I will somehow misquote this, but the impression is nevertheless strong) about how she 'danced with God' in her faith. Jacob wrestled with God; but oh how sweet it is to think of us 'dancing with God' as we come to him in expectation. In my mind's eye I remember me as a small girl teetering on my father's feet as he held me tight and danced with me. I am forever grateful to her for this image! It reveals a pleasure and intimacy of our Abba (Daddy) God. All of the ladies in our group have shared something at one time or another that has impacted me so much more than they'll ever know.

We have taught each other thankfulness. As a group we have uncovered mutual thankfulness for God's past grace in our lives; often recognised only as we look back - especially during times of suffering. Each week we share thanksgiving for God's present grace. Now more and more we are learning to be thankful for God's grace yet to come. Our shared experiences have proved again and again that God is Good! The hope that we have is solid - better than anything we can imagine. Christian fellowship truly is a taste of heaven! And it is so sweet!!

Lisa Card

Pastoral worker

Life at St Andrew's

Enquiries or Sign-ups?
Please go to the Hub or church website

PRAYER

pastoral@standrews.org.hk

Prayer ministry is available after church.

Pray for St Andrew's, follow the **Weekly Prayer Focus** on website:
[LIFE @ ST ANDREW'S > Prayer](#)

YOUTH

youth@standrews.org.hk

Reminder: Youth programmes will be moving to the 1/F Hall, Christian Centre from 26 April.

Fusion Sunday Programme:

Time: 9:45am & 11:30am
Venue: YouthWorX, 6/F Kai Fong
Ages: 11-18

Fusion Growth Groups:

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm, every Friday
Venue: 3/F, Christian Centre
Ages: 11-18

MIGRANT WORKERS FELLOWSHIP

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Home4U

Time: 2:00pm-5:00pm, every Sunday
Venue: 1/F Old Vicarage
It is our 2nd study today in 'The Story of Joseph'
Topic: Temptation - Genesis 39

PASTORAL CARE

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We aim to encourage everyone to grow to Christian maturity through life's varying circumstances. Please contact one of the pastoral staff to find out more about the support we offer.

LOCAL AND GLOBAL OUTREACH

mission@standrews.org.hk

Check out the monthly Global News Updates on the website. Send us an email if you would like to get involved.

CHILDREN

children@standrews.org.hk

Reminder: All Crèche and Kidzone programmes have moved to the new Life Centre. Please access the Life Centre from the roof garden. Lessons remain at 9:45 and 11:30 today and next week, 26 April.

Crèche:

Time: 9:45am / 11:30am
Venue: G/F Old Vicarage
Topic:

Ages 0 - under 3: Story - This morning I saw Jesus

Kidzone:

Time: 9:45am / 11:30am
Topics:
Ages 3-4: Jesus helps us help others, Acts 3
Ages 5-6: God gives us people to teach us His Word, Acts 8
Ages 7-9: Learn from people who follow God, 1 Kings 19
Ages 9-10: Hate evil, love good, Amos 2

STAKC (St Andrew's Church Kids Club)

Our first class for STAKC resumes on Friday 8 May as 1 May is a public holiday.

CHINESE MINISTRY

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Putonghua church meets every Sunday at 2:00pm. Its ministries include Kidzone, youth, bible studies and Cantonese and English language classes for university students from the Mainland. Please refer to the Chinese ministry page in the church website for more details.

GROWTH GROUPS

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A new University - aged Growth Group has started. It meets on Thursday nights. Contact Jonty if interested.
jonty@standrews.org.hk

Church News



Venue: St Andrew's Church building
8:30am - Early Morning Lord's Supper*
11:30am - Putonghua Late Morning Church

Venue: Life Centre - Auditorium
9:30am - Mid Morning Church
11:30am - Late Morning Church
5:00pm - Evening Church

*All other services - Lord's Supper 2nd & 4th Sundays

Focus on Finance

2015 Budget \$ \$34,368,893

(This budget includes loan repayment of \$10M for 2020 Vision)

As at 13 April 2015

	April Actual	Year-to-Date Actual	Year-to-Date Budget
Income	\$ 1,628,515	7,894,354	9,122,668
Expenditure	\$ 938,054	6,428,929	9,122,668
Surplus	\$ 690,461	1,465,425	-

Did you know?

St Andrew's Church is a financially independent church. All income is provided by the sacrificial giving of church members. St Andrew's has also committed 12% of the offertory income to mission.

To support the ministry, you can donate in cash or by cheques made payable to "St Andrew's Church", or transfer to [SAC HSBC bank account 018-057919-001](#), or join the Planned Christian Giving Scheme (PCG) to give regularly. For more information about PCG, please go to the church website.

The St Andrew's 2020 Vision Fund still lives!

The 2020 Vision Fund is still alive and active. SAC has drawn down a total of \$30M in loans to pay for the construction of the Life Centre and with a budget in 2015 of \$34.4M in which \$10M is for loan repayments.

You can still designate a donation to the 2020 Vision, over and above your normal giving to St Andrew's, towards loan repayments and Life Centre construction related expenses. Give to "St Andrew's Church" HSBC bank account above or "St Andrew's Church Vision Fund" [Hang Seng Bank 228-219002-002](#).

Refreshments are available after each service.

Song sheets available at the church entrance.

Please drop your used paper into the recycling box.

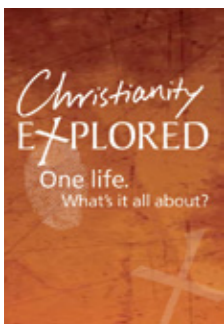
Turn off your mobile whilst in church.

Keep your belongings with you at all times.

Induction Loop installed. Please switch your earpiece to T position.

Upcoming Events

Enquiries or Sign-ups?
Please go to the Hub or church website



This is an informal course for anyone who wants to explore what life is all about, what the essential message of Christianity is and why it matters. It gives you time and space to ask plenty of questions or just simply listen. It is only 7 weeks.

You'll get to meet lots of people who may have the same questions in life as you do. Don't forget to bring your friends along!

Date: 22 April - 3 June (7 Wednesday evenings)
Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Venue: 1/F Hall, Christian Centre
Day Retreat: 30 May (Saturday, 10:00am - 4:00pm)

Sign up at the Hub, the church website or through your St Andrew's (CCB) account.

'ESCAPE' Young Adult Retreat

Annual weekend away for Uni students and 20/30s.

Spend a weekend away of beach, BBQ and bible study, getting to know others in a relaxed setting. Together with people from Shatin Anglican and Ambassador International Church, we'll be looking at 1 Corinthians 6-7, and what God has to say about love, singleness and marriage.

When: 9:30am, Saturday 23 May - 2:00pm, Sunday 24 May
Where: Sydney Leong Holiday Lodge, South Lantau
Cost: \$360
Sign up: Places are limited.

Please contact Jonty (jonty@standrews.org.hk)

'EQUIP' NEW

'Equip' is a new initiative beginning from June on Sunday mornings at St Andrew's. Through regular courses led by staff and trained lay members, you have the opportunity to be equipped to better understand the bible, to live it out, and to explain it to others. The courses include the 'Preliminary Theological Certificate' (PTC), as well as other courses on apologetics, sharing your testimony, and lifestyle issues.

Our first course is 'Introduction to the Bible' in PTC. Here are the details:

Date: 7 June- 9 August (10 Sundays)
Time: 9:30-11:00am
(so that you can go to the 11:30 service afterwards)
Venue: New G/F meeting room in the Christian Centre
Enquires: Please contact Diana (diana@standrews.org.hk), or find more information on the church website

Church News

Welcomers needed!

As we begin using the Life Centre, we need more volunteers to serve as 'Welcomers' to make our 9:30, 11:30 & 5:00pm services possible. Can you help?

Please sign up at the Hub or contact juliana@standrews.org.hk.

Monthly Church Prayer Meeting

We meet to pray for St Andrew's on the first Monday of every month. This is our opportunity to unite in prayer for our life and ministry. We face great changes as we move into the Life Centre and we seek for the next Vicar.

Play your part in God's future for this church - come and pray

Date: 4 May (Monday)
Time: 7:30-8:30pm
Venue: Church

Let's join together to pray for our Church and our 2020 Vision.

Job Vacancies Office Manager and Receptionist

We are seeking an Office Manager and a Receptionist to join our administration team.

Details of the positions can be found on the church website.

Sermon

The story of Joseph: Living for God in a hostile world
19 April
(Temptation - Genesis 39)

8:30am/9:45am/11:30am/5:00pm
Alex McCoy

2:00pm
Sok Han Yong

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Clergy

John MENEAR, Vicar
Dale HANSON, Senior Associate Minister
Dan EVERS, Associate Minister
Alex McCOY, Associate Minister
Sok Han YONG, Associate Minister

Sunday

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CONNECT

19 April 2015



Group
Where Growth Happens

Wednesday Morning Ladies Growth Group

St Andrew's Church
KOWLOON

Building on our Heritage

Love Jesus . Teach the Bible . Build Community . Share the Gospel . Love the City