

The Story

TRUSTING GOD'S CARE

St Andrew's is in the midst of many changes. Different people respond to change in different ways according to their temperament and character; some thrive when confronted by new and as yet unknown possibilities, while others feel stressed or worried. Whatever our individual character, times of change are an opportunity for us as a church to experience God's care and guidance:

"The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing."

"He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake."

(Psalms 23:1 & 3 NIV11)

Psalm 23 is a classic place to learn about God's unfailing and constant care for His people. However we feel about the future we can draw strength from this rich picture of God's provision and guidance. Bible teacher Derek Kidner sums up the message of the whole Psalm so aptly, *"Depth and strength underlie the simplicity of this psalm. Its peace is not escape; its contentment is not complacency: there is readiness to face deep darkness and imminent attack, and the climax reveals a love which homes towards no material goal but to the Lord himself."*

As we move through these times of change, I invite you to reflect on Psalm 23 and turn some of the promises and assurances we find there into your own personal prayers of trust and thanksgiving to God. Let me offer some other suggestions of positive contributions that you can make to the life of St Andrew's during this time of change:

1. Pray
2. Pray (yes, however you usually pray for St Andrew's I ask you to take on an additional commitment!)
3. Guard our Unity; Satan is not original and a common strategy to weaken churches is to attack our unity "Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." (Ephesians 4:3 NIV11)
4. Press on - we continue to work out our 2020 Vision as we grow up into maturity and grow in numbers, all the while continuing to learn from the scriptures, serve one another and the wider community and give generously from our time, talents and money.

"Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

(Hebrews 13:20-21 NIV11)

Dale Hanson
Interim Vicar

Welcome to St Andrew's



"Thanks for coming along to church today. At St Andrew's, we want to welcome everyone; Christian believers, those seeking faith, skeptics, all who are looking for a spiritual home in Hong Kong. At each Sunday service we seek to learn more about the truths of God from the Bible, and encourage one another in our faith in Jesus. If you're new, come along to the Hub (in the north entrance foyer) after the service. We'd love to be able to meet you, welcome you personally, and answer any of your questions."

Life at St Andrew's

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

FAMILY

family@standrews.org.hk

It is our desire to help enrich and support marriages, strengthen and equip parents, and find ways to better connect families, so they can become more integrated into the life of St Andrew's.

Ultimately, we strive to see the gospel shared and God, the Father of families, glorified in all we do! Stay tuned for future events.

CHILDREN

children@standrews.org.hk

Crèche:

Time: 9:30am / 11:30am

Crèche facilities are open. An adult to accompany a child to Crèche. Toys are available for children and live streaming of the service is available for adults.

Kidzone:

Time: 9:30am / 11:30am

Topic: Jesus had a name... we do too (Luke 2:1-40)

PASTORAL CARE

pastoral@standrews.org.hk

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.

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](#)

MIGRANT WORKERS FELLOWSHIP

zara@standrews.org.hk

Home4U

Time: 2:00pm-5:00pm, every Sunday

Venue: 1/F Old Vicarage

Join us as we will watch a video called PILGRIMS PROGRESS Part 1 today and followed by discussion.

YOUTH

youth@standrews.org.hk

Fusion Sunday Programme:

Time: 9:30am & 11:30am

Venue: 1/F Hall, Christian Centre

Ages: 11-18

Fusion Growth Groups:

On Summer break.

Resumes Friday 4 September.

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.

Life at St Andrew's

CHINESE MINISTRY

chineseministry@standrews.org.hk

Mandarin church meets every Sunday at 11:30am. 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

grow@standrews.org.hk

'Unity', a new growth group for University Students, runs on Sundays from 3-5pm, starting 5 July. If you're a university student, join us for fun, friendship and learning about God from the Bible. For more information or to sign up, please go to the Hub or email jonty@standrews.org.hk

Upcoming Events



Topic: Old Testament 1 (First five books of the Old Testament)

Date: 6 September - 15 November (11 Sundays)

(15 Nov - only for those who are taking the exams)

Time: 9:30-11:00am

Venue: G/F Lounge

Registration deadline: 16 August Sunday

Enquires: Please sign up on the church website or at the Hub and contact Diana (diana@standrews.org.hk) for any questions.

Focus on Finance

2015 Budget \$ \$34,368,893

As at 13 July 2015

	July Actual	Jan to July Actual
Income	\$ 1,061,647	14,338,230
Expenditure	\$ 913,311	14,378,779
Deficit	\$ 148,336	(40,549)

	Jan to June Actual	Annual Budget
Income for 2020 Vision loan repayment	\$ 3,635,619	10,000,000

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.

Church News

Enquiries or Sign-ups?
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Monthly Church Prayer Meeting

Date: 3 August (Monday)
Time: 7:30-8:30pm
Venue: Church
Let's join together to pray for our Church and our 2020 Vision.

Message from the Board of Patronage

The first meeting of the Board of Patronage was held on Monday 29 June, 2015. The recruitment process has been launched. During the interregnum Rev Dale Hanson will be the interim acting Vicar. The Board of Trustees has confirmed this arrangement. Please pray for the right person to be found and for Dale and Pat during this period.

Ministry Associate Programme

Are you interested in getting better trained in gospel ministry? Our church provides a great opportunity to experience gospel ministry through the one-year Ministry Associate Programme (MAP). The focus of this scheme is on helping individuals to understand and be trained for various aspects of gospel work, and to get an up-close view of local church pastoral ministry.

We are now looking for suitable applicants to commence from Autumn 2015. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Alex McCoy (alex@standrews.org.hk).

Luke, Fiona, JC & Mali



They are here in Hong Kong now until 30 July. If you would like to know more about their mission work in Asia, please contact Shirley Cheng, Director of Mission, at church office or email shirley@standrews.org.hk.

Job Vacancies

- St Andrew's is looking for an Administrator and a Ministry Administrator.
- Children's Ministry Pastoral Worker. A exciting opportunity to serve God and St Andrew's that we are seeking to appoint full time.

For complete details, please visit the employment section of the Church website.

Staff on Leave

Juliana is on leave until 24 July
Dan is on leave from 20 July until 2 August
Carol is on leave until 8 August
Lisa is on leave until 8 August
Emma is on leave until 11 August

Sermon



Life Lessons - Jesus turns our world the right way up - 19 July (You are invited - Luke 14:15-24)

8:30am/9:30am/11:30am Dan Evers	11:30am (Mandarin) Sok Han Yong	5:00pm Dan Evers
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Life Lessons - Jesus turns our world the right way up - 26 July (Count the Cost - Luke 14:25-35)

8:30am/9:30am/11:30am Alex McCoy	11:30am (Mandarin) Sok Han Yong	5:00pm Alex McCoy
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- Refreshments are available after each service.
- Please drop your used paper into the recycling box.
- Induction Loop installed. Please switch your earpiece to T position.
- Typhoon and Storms Arrangement: If the typhoon No.8 signal or the Black Rainstorm warning is hoisted, all the services or meetings at St Andrew's will be cancelled. If you are uncertain, contact the church office or check the news before setting out in bad weather.
- Turn off your mobile whilst in church.
- Keep your belongings with you at all times.

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Clergy

Dale HANSON, Interim Vicar
Dan EVERS, Associate Minister
Alex McCOY, Associate Minister
Sok Han YONG, Associate Minister

Sunday

St Andrew's Church Building
8:30am Early Morning Lord's Supper*
11:30am Mandarin Church
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

CONNECT

19 July 2015

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God's Love in Action

St Andrew's Church
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Building on our Heritage

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