

what's happening in october @ acpc

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	7.30pm <i>Newmarket Group</i>	6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk 8pm Greenlane Group</i>		10.00am <i>Remuera Group</i>	10.30am <i>Family Service 3-5pm Table Tennis</i>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	7.30pm <i>Newmarket Group</i>	10.30am <i>Ladies Group</i> 6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i>			10.30am <i>Communion Service 3-5pm Table Tennis</i>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	7.30pm <i>Newmarket Group</i> 8pm <i>St Heliers Group</i>	6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk 8pm Greenlane Group</i>		10.00am <i>Remuera Group</i>	10.30am <i>Service 3-5pm Table Tennis</i>
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
LABOUR DAY	7.30pm <i>Newmarket Group</i>	10.30am <i>Ladies Group</i> 6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i>			10.30am <i>Service 3-5pm Table Tennis 6-9pm Monthly Pot-luck & Games</i>



Keen on attending home group?

Greenlane:	George Lowe	021 739 838
Ladies:	Glenda Choy	524 9391
Newmarket:	Robert Fong	027 274 2570
Remuera:	Ken Cheung	021 431 607
St Heliers:	Marty Bing	021 753 406
Young Adults:	Rob O'Callahan	021 783 289

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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** – that we are strengthened by the Holy Spirit & transformed by God's personal direction to us through His Word.
- **For those living & working in the CBD** – May we, as God's hands & feet be sensitive to the needs of our community, especially those without homes.
- **For those in our congregation suffering from illness** – May You provide comfort, strength, peace of mind and healing. For those who face upcoming operations, we pray for the skills and focus of those who will operate on you and a speedy recovery to your full health.

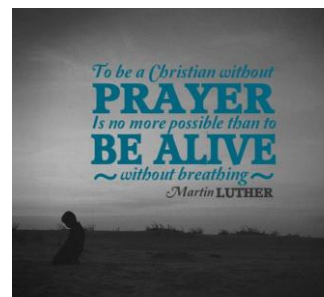


And The Lord was with Joseph

**Genesis 30:22-24; 37:1-5, 23-28;
39:19-23, 40: 1-8; 41: 41-43;
45: 1-7; and 50: 22-26**

John Probert

*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

Tony Wai
Rea Thain
Benson Fong
Soo Land Wong, Francis Yu
Harvey He, Robert Fong
Tony Cooper, Linlee Tram,
Michelle Tsang

Next week

Robert Wong
Jackie Yeung
Rose Wong
Robert & Avery O'Callahan
Darren Koo, Michael Yu
Sheryl Feng, Ken Meng Chan,
Eve Lam

Reaching out each week @ acpc

Tea and Talk - games, tea and English

conversation:

Thursdays 10.30-12pm

Table tennis:

Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly

A good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.



Next Sunday's Pot-luck and Games...



It might be a day early, but next Sunday during the pot-luck we'll be celebrating All-Hallows'-Eve... which is the night before All Saints' Day. In its pure Christian form it was, in the Northern hemisphere a time to give thanks, both for autumn harvests and also for the people who served God and have gone to be with Him. *Fun fact – did you know people often abstained from eating meat on this day?*

Bring friends, family and a favourite dish (All-Hallows'-Eve/non-themed, vegetarian/otherwise perfectly acceptable), and be prepared to learn more about how ACPC came to be, as well as how to get creative with pumpkins!

Sermon notes

What was the Problem?

Behold, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom: pride, overabundance of food, prosperous ease, and idleness were hers and her daughter's; neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and the needy . . . therefore I removed them when I saw it.

- Ezekiel 16:49-50

You've probably heard of Sodom and Gomorrah and the terrible wickedness in those cities. But what did they actually do that was so displeasing to God? We often think their sexual perversion finally caused God to destroy them, but it was actually something quite different.

I was shocked when I first read today's scripture and saw the truth behind the destruction of these cities. The problem with Sodom and Gomorrah was that they had too much and were not sharing it with those in need. They were lazy and lived excessively convenient lifestyles, which led them to commit abominable acts.



Failing to share what we do have with those who have less than we do is actually dangerous because this selfish type of lifestyle opens the door for evil to progress. Not only are these things not good for us, they are offensive to God. He expects us to be channels for Him to flow through, not reservoirs that hold everything we have for ourselves.

I believe we need to make an effort not to complain when we don't have things the way we want them. Inconvenience is often part of helping others, and in fact it is part of everyday life. No life is perfect, and when it isn't we should still be very grateful for what we have and be willing to share it with others.



Love Others Today: Think about ways in which you have both abundance and convenience in your life? How can you use these things to bless others?

Joyce Meyer

So what is the Knox Centre all about?



The Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership in Dunedin trains people to become ministers in the Presbyterian Church (and its partner churches), as well as supports congregations in their leadership development, by providing training and resources to their ministers and elders.

Its Principal Rev Dr Steve Taylor will be visiting ACPC next Sunday.