homegroups

Agape Meets on Sat @ 7pm

> Co-ordinator: Careen Hiew sweehona09@amail.com

Amongus (uni students) Meets 1st and 3rd Fri of the month @ 7:30pm

Co-ordinators:

Ann & Andrew Mulcahy alam@outlook.co.nz

BASIC (youths) Meets 1st and 3rd Sun @ 12pm Co-ordinator: Pastor Paul pastor.paul.long@gmail.com

Beloved

Meets on Fri every fortnight

@ 7:30pm

Co-ordinator: Brandon Vista brandonvista@vahoo.com

Grace

Meets on Sat @ 10am Co-ordinator: Irene Ho ahope288@yahoo.com.au

Harmony

Meets 2nd and 4th Fri @ 7pm Co-ordinator: Pastor Paul paspaullona@gmail.com

Kainos

Meets 1st and 3rd Fri @ 7pm Co-ordinator: Pastor Paul paspaullong@gmail.com

Serenity

Meets 1st and 3rd Sun @ 2:30pm (young adults) Co-ordinator: Daniel Tena danielteng@hotmail.co.nz

Shalom (chinese)

Co-ordinator: Janice Wee janice.ac.siah@gmail.com

Sowers

Meets alternate Fri @ 7:45pm Co-ordinator: Sit Kei & Wai Yee skeiyit@yahoo.com;

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Temperance

Meets 2nd and 4th Sun @ 1pm Co-ordinator: Raymond Low

ray.low@xtra.co.nz

regular activities

Ignite youth group

Meets once a month

Praver meetinas

Tuesdays 7:30pm via zoom Wednesdays 1:30pm at Beryl's

upcoming services starts 10am

Apr 6

Sermon series: Isaiah 1-12

Sermon title: A vision of the end of wars

(Isaiah 2:1-5)

Speaker: Pastor Paul Lona W/leader: Magdalene Gan Timothy W & Isaac W AV: Communion: Brandon Vista

Ushers: Mary Ann D & Rebekah W Emblems: James G & Alfred T

Morning Tea: Susan C & Rebekah W

M/ service speaker:

Steven Choy

Apr 13

Sermon series: Evangelism

Sermon topic: Daily living out "The Great

Commission" (Matt 28:16-20,

Acts 1:6-11)

Speaker: Pastor Paul Long W/leader: Jessica Meyer

Apr 20

Sermon series: Easter Sunday

Sermon topic: Daily Living out "The Resurrection"

(Rom 8:38-39, Acts 2:1-8)

Speaker: Pastor Paul Lona W/leader: Paul Naveen

Apr 27

Sermon series: Sermon on the Mount

Sermon topic: How we should see our possession

(Matt 6:19-24)

Speaker: Jin Wan W/leader: Laura Wrigley

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welcome



We are delighted that you are here to worship with us this morning.

There is no Sunday School today. However, there are activities set up in the church house. Playrooms are at the back of the main hall and in the church house.

If you are a disciple of Jesus and understand the symbolism and purpose of the Holy Communion, we invite you to join us for communion.

Upcoming services, homegroups and regular activities are on the back page.

We invite you to stay for lunch after the service. We would love the chance to get to know you better.

30 March 2025

Topic/Title The Gospel: Back to the BASICs

Speaker Isaac Wan

Worship team Agron G. Jarrel H. Steven L. Micah L, Phoebe C, Yasmin L, Shekinah V

Audio & Visual Timothy W & Joshua L

Communion Lucas Gan

Ushers Daniel C, Aaron H, Luke L, Teng Y, Olivia C

Emblems James G & Alfred T

Morning Tea Rebekah W & Betty S

Chinese speaking group No service today

announcements

Financial offering

Please refer to printed church bulletin for offering amounts.

To donate via bank transfer:

Kelston Community Church 12-3026-0373749-00

To receive a tax donor receipt for rebate of your donation, please contact Careen, our treasurer, treasury.kccnz@gmail.com.

A number can also be provided for confidentiality purposes.

<u>Pastoral</u>

Pastor Paul and KCC leadership pray and make pastoral visits to various KCC members.

If you need prayer and support, please contact Pastor Paul, 021 0240 3999, pastor.paul.long@amail.com

KCC Mailing list

If you would like to be on our mailing list, please email the office, <u>admin@kcc.co.nz</u>.

<u>Website</u>



KCC YouTube channel / livestream



KCC Statement of faith



Fellowship lunch TODAY

We are delighted to have the Harmony homegroup cook for us a delicious lunch. Everyone is invited.

When: Today, after service

Menu: Curry chicken (mild), cabbage,

tomato chutney (spicy)

Cost: \$5

Limited portions of chicken chop suey will be available for those who cannot eat curry. Look forward to having you join us.

Sunday School

There is no Sunday School today. This is so that the children can stay for the duration of the Youth Service and watch their elder peers and/or siblings serve.

There are colouring pages and craft set up in the playroom in the church house if your child needs to leave the main service.

Good Friday open worship

When: Friday, 18 April 2025

Time: 7pm - 8:30pm

Where: KCC

Come join us for worship on Good Friday to commemorate the death of our Lord Jesus.

Refreshments will be provided after the service. Please mark this date on your calendar. If you have any questions, please see Lucas Gan.

House for sale

Steven and Fann Choy's house is for sale. Address: 52 Don Buck Road, Massey 0614.

- 1) Garage Sale: 5 April 2025, 2pm to 5pm, on site
- 2) House for sale with effect from 12 April 2025

For all enquiries, please contact Steven Choy, 021 776 230.

Alpha course

Wednesday nights starting 30 April 2025. Runs for 10 wks.

Time: 7pm – 9pm Where: KCC



Join us as we explore faith and life's big questions over dinner and a short video.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Mulcahy (<u>alam@outlook.co.nz</u>), James Gan (<u>jamesgan@iconnect.co.nz</u>) or Lucas Gan (<u>lucasganze@gmail.com</u>).

pastor's notes

Some thoughts on Galatians 3:23-29: A new era of freedom and equality in Christ

With Christ's arrival, God has ushered in a new era of freedom and equality. The "positional concepts of superiority" that divided the human race have been removed by Christ. Three prominent examples are given by Paul. Jews were no longer superior to Gentiles, or free citizens superior to slaves, or males superior to females (v.28).

Paul's words here are totally radical. Jews for generations saw themselves as God's chosen people. "Civilized society" logically deemed free Roman citizens superior to slaves. And in a world where males have always been given privileged domination in all aspects of society, men were assumed superior to women. To accept justification in Christ by faith was to also embrace the freedom that comes with it requiring a total major shift in one's worldview, resulting in a political, social, cultural, and religious revolution.

Females in Christ are given the rights of sons, stressing the positional privileges of sons in a male dominated world (v.26). All who belong to Christ are Abraham's children, even if one was a Gentile or a slave (v.29)

But why is it that after almost 2,000 years, the church still struggles with these basic issues of freedom and equality? Why are people in Christ still divided and judged according to race, socio-economic status, and gender?

Perhaps a clue (among other things) can be found in verse 25-27. We are free in Christ, but we must not forget that being free assumes we understand the depth and width of sin, in order that we might live freely from sin and law (see also previous notes). And it assumes a maturity that comes with being clothed with Christ, which is living as Christ would have us (v27).

For personal reflection:

What should it mean in practice that ware all one in Christ?