

Services

Sunday 8.30am	Holy Communion (traditional)
Sunday 10.30am	All age worship (contemporary service with kids & junior youth programs)
Sunday 6pm	Sunday at Six (for the young and young at heart)
Wednesday 10.30am	Holy Communion and companion time

Next Week's Sermon

8.30am	10.30am	6pm
'Discernment: test before you trust'	'Discernment: test before you trust'	Discernment: test before you trust'
<i>1 John 4:1-6</i>	<i>1 John 4:1-6</i>	<i>1 John 4:1-6</i>
Simon Jackson	David Bassett	Shane Ellery

Upcoming Events

Vision Days

St Matt's, Sat 12 Mar, 9am-12pm
St Bart's, Sun 15 Mar, 12-3pm

Equip

Saturday 28 March
Temple Christian College

Annual Vestry Meetings

Sunday 22 March
St Bart's 12 noon
St Matt's 3pm

Men's Convention

Saturday 16 May
Concordia College

Newish (Info night for people new to Grace Anglican Network)
Mondays 16 & 23 March, 7pm

Grace Conference

Saturday 30 May
Concordia College

Partner Churches

St Bartholomew's Norwood
77 Beulah Rd Norwood

Grace Anglican Network Office

146 Kensington Rd Marryatville
Office Hours: Mon–Thurs 9am – 1pm

Grace Church Trinity Gardens

Trinity Gardens Bowling Club
Canterbury Ave Trinity Gardens



Sin; can't live with it, can't live without it.

1 March 2015

SIN. We can't live with it, but we're just not able to live without it. Yeah, can you relate? Read on...

Brothers and sisters we know that we've been freed from sin—freed from the power of sin—and yet we still sin. The Bible tells us not to let sin reign, it tells us that if we are truly children of God we will not go on sinning (Romans 6:12, 1 John 3:9). And still we sin! It may not reign as sovereign, but it continues to exist as a trial and a steady temptation.

But get this – *'we are no longer what we once were; we are no longer related to sin the way we once were.'* Amen! This is critical for us to understand and to keep in the forefront of our mind as we battle sin—any sin. We're not what we once were. I'm not *who* I once was. We were slaves to sin, owned by it, drawn to it. But now we're slaves of a different master. We're owned by God and subject to him and so our relationship to sin has been radically transformed.

Sin does not own us. Christ owns us. Lust does not motivate us. Christ motivates us. Anger or jealousy does not get the final victory. Christ gets the final victory. Sin is in us but church we are in Christ. And what is in us all was loaded upon him on the cross. He triumphed over it, He broke its power. And now we wait, battling all the while, for him to speak the word and bring it to an end once and for all. BRING IT ON!!!!

Keep trusting Jesus,

Simon Jackson (Senior Associate Minister)





Prayer Points

Special Needs: Joy Blanch, Judy Black, Steve Nelson & Roger Goldsworthy

Ministry team and families:

David, Susan, Thomas & Elise Bassett
(Senior Minister)

Sam, Hannah, Sophia, Elias, Joseph &
Raphael Bleby (Grace Church Minister)

Ian & Jan Bruce

Shane and Caitlin Ellery (SAS trainer)

Danielle, Stephen, Terrence & Madeleine
Ho (St Bart's Children's Minister)

Simon, Adele, Stella & Sebastian Jackson
(Senior Associate)

Mel & Andrew James (Office Administrator)

Greg, Sum, Isaac & Avalon Lock (Youth
Minister)

John, Belinda, Caleb, Xavier &
Emmanuelle Miller (St Bart's Minister)

Peter Sage (St Bart's one-to-one Men's
minister)

Rossie & Nick Smart (St Matthew's Homes
Visitor)

Andy & Rachel Stevens (GAN accountant)

Alana Whennen (St Matt's Children's
Minister)

Prayer focus: 10.30am congregation

Praise God:

- For the safe birth of Josephine Harris and for all of our 10.30am kids to grow to know Jesus and make Jesus known
- Praise God for all of the new people, individuals & families, who are joining our 10.30am family
- For the provision of medical technology & excellent access to healthcare in our nation; pray God would use it to heal many in our family suffering at this time

Pray for:

- That we would see many sinners join us at St Matt's 10.30am, meet Jesus, repent and believe and find real life!
- Pray for the youth to come to camp (especially those on the fringe), and to bring their friends to meet Jesus and participate in Christian community.
- Pray asking that members of 10.30am would be both anti-sin and pro-love – living out who we are in Jesus Christ

Community Notices

Equip 2015

Sat 28 March, 9am-5pm; a fantastic day of training by various speakers on numerous topics-there's something for everyone! Info and registration at www.tinyurl.com/equiptraining

St Matt's Compassion Sausage Sizzle

Join us Sun 15 March after the 10.30am service for a sausage sizzle put on by the St Matt's Kid's Ministries to raise funds for their Compassion Sponsor Children.

Youth Camp (Mar 6-9 2015)

Youth and Parents, please register for camp this weekend. It's gonna go off. For more info and to register online: <http://stmatts.asn.au/youth-camp>

St Bart's & St Matt's Vision Days

We will be continuing our work on the vision and encourage all members of the congregations to join us. St Matt's 9 – 12 on Sat 14 March and 12-3 on Sun 15 Mar.

Newish

Two week fast track course for newcomers to the Grace Anglican Network churches 7-9pm Mondays 16 & 23 Mar. Contact office@stmatts.asn.au

Building lasting faith in children

Sat 7 Mar, 10-3.30, Clovercrest Baptist Church sabaptist.asn.au/blf2015

India Mission Info Night

Have you ever thought about teaching the Bible to Indians in India? Come along Mon 23 Mar, 7.30pm at the Jacksons house to find out more.

St Matt's Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers or make a donation towards the cost of flowers for our Easter services, please contact Pam Thomson 8331 3815 or the office.

Movie Fundraiser

The second best exotic Marigold hotel
Mon 2 Mar, 6.30pm in support of The Australian Tanzanian Services Foundation. See noticeboard for details

Combined Churches Prayer Breakfast

You are warmly invited to attend a time of intercession & worship run by the Burnside Inter-church Council Sat 7 Mar, 7.30am at St Matt's.

Unley Prayer Breakfast

Wed 11 Mar, 7am-8.45am Wayville Showgrounds. Guest speaker Hon John Anderson unleyprayerbreakfast.com.au

AVM preparation

This year we are trialling a new way of providing information to the AVM. If you head a group or ministry we are asking for a 25 – 30 word description of the ministry. Please send these to office@stmatts.asn.au by this Thursday 5 March. (We are not printing reports from groups this year).