

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
<i>John 21:1-14</i>	<i>John 21:1-14</i>
Ian Bruce	Nick van Ruth

Upcoming Events

Thrive
Friday 10 April
Temple Christian College

Men's Convention
Sat 16 May
Concordia College

Grace Conference
Sat 30 May
Concordia College

Partner Churches

St Bartholomew's Norwood
77 Beulah Rd Norwood

Grace Church Trinity Gardens
Trinity Gardens Bowling Club
Canterbury Ave Trinity Gardens

Grace Anglican Network
Term 2 Prayer Launch
Wednesday 29 April
7pm @ St Matt's

Grace Anglican Network Office

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



Hope is a dangerous thing.

5 April 2015

Morgan Freeman's character in the film *Shawshank Redemption* says to the new prisoner that "hope is a dangerous thing." The thought of freedom where there is no chance was a hope that would drive the prisoner crazy and lead to despair and trouble. Indeed false hope is dangerous. Putting our trust in something that cannot deliver can only lead to disaster.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead brings us a sure and certain hope that can deliver. It stamps God's approval on all that Jesus accomplished in his death for us – our sins can be forgiven, we can be restored in our relationship with God and others. Jesus' resurrection also assures us of God's ability to save and to protect us and guarantees that those who put their trust in him will also be raised (*Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.* 1 Corinthians 15:20)

In the midst of the uncertainty of this world; in the turmoil of change and brokenness and insecurity that surrounds us, the truths of Jesus' death for our redemption and forgiveness and his resurrection gives us a hope that can and does deliver.

*"We have this **hope**, a **sure** and **steadfast** anchor of the soul"* Hebrews 6:19



Every blessing this Easter, David Bassett (Senior Minister)

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED



A 7 week course exploring Christianity.

Why not join the next Course starting at St Matt's Mondays 7pm.
Beginning Monday 26 April. Facilitator: David Bassett

RSVP office@stmatts.asn.au or 8332 7715

Prayer Points

Special Needs: Joy Blanch, Judy Black, Olive Bishop & 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 (*Wednesday Service*)

Shane and Caitlin Ellery (*SAS trainer*)

Danielle, Stephen, Terrence & Madeleine

Ho (*St Bart's Children's Minister*)

Becky Hams (*Office Administrator*)

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

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*)

Prayer focus: St Matt's

Praise God:

- The death and resurrection of Jesus demonstrating God's love for the world
- For the safe arrival of Oliver James
- The volunteers who have restored the church doors and painted the entrance area.

Pray for:

- Our faithfulness in declaring the hope we have in Jesus
- Safety for people traveling over the Easter weekend
- Growth in our compassion for the needy, refugees and those treated unjustly

Community Notices

Let's do lunch

Next meeting – Thursday 9 April, at Becco's on The Parade at 12 noon.
Discussion theme: Easter Symbols. All women welcome. Enquires/RSVP to Kay by 7 April – ph: 7225 6823

BCA Boxes

The BCA boxes are now due to be handed in ready for counting. Please drop them off to the office at your earliest convenience.

Crèche helpers required

Our Wednesday morning women's Bible study is in real need of crèche helpers to help supervise our group of up to 14+ children, to allow young mums the chance to study the Bible together. Please contact Sum Lock (0410 332 422) if you are free and willing.

Burnside Interchurch Council Prayer Breakfast

Saturday 11 April at Burnside Family Church from 7.30-9am. Please come and join in prayer for the work of the Christian Churches in the district, the Schools Ministry, the needs of our community, our Nation and the World.

Congratulations to Andrew and Mel James on the birth of Olivia Margaret born 28 March. Baby and mum doing well.

Wedding of Andrew & Kerryn

Andrew Harris (Son of Sue & Philip) & Kerryn Bolt are to be married at St Matts on 11 April at 2pm. All welcome to come and celebrate this happy occasion.

Thank you Peter Goddard!

We thank Peter for his faithful service to St Matts. Peter has just retired from being one of the collection counters for over 20 years.

Adelaide Men's Conference

Promoting the Gospel: Living for Christ in a post-Christian world at Concordia College on Saturday 16 May. Register at: www.adelaidemensconvention.org

2015 Grace Conference

Steadfast Love in bitter places at Concordia College on the 30 May. Register at: www.graceconference.org.au

Bush Church Aid AGM

Saturday 11 April at 12 noon at Christ Church, North Adelaide, for more information please refer to their website: www.bushchurcaid.com.au