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Upcoming Events

24 & 31 Baptism Classes
Aug

13 Sep Baptism

2-4 Oct SaLT Camp

For more information, check out sle.church/events

Today's Service

Welcome and Singing

♪ His Glory and My Good

♪ Take Heart

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♪ Yet Not I But Through
Christ In Me

Community News

Bible Reading Matthew 13:18-30
Matthew 15:1-20

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Sermon Pastor Steven Tran

Lord's Supper

Song of Response 🎵 Rock of Ages

♪ Rock of Ages

Financial Updates

Last Week \$9,826
(Target: \$12,000)

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Received to date \$76,156
2026-27 (Target: \$84,000)

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Budget 2026-27	\$624,000
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Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

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SLE Church is a branch church of Chinese Christian Church Brisbane.



23 August 2026
Service Times: 9am & 11am

Welcome, we're glad you're here!

At SLE Church we want to be a community of maturing disciples of Jesus,
investing in the next generations.
Find out more at sle.church.



THE KINGDOM'S DIAGNOSIS

M A T T H E W 1 5 : 1 - 2 0

The Kingdom's Diagnosis

You cannot see what's really making you unclean – until Jesus shows you it's pouring out of your own heart.

Prayer Points

Monday – Primary Kids Church

Give thanks to God for giving the children and families boldness and love to invite their friends to PKC and their picnic for Bring a Friend day. Give thanks that the PKC team had the opportunity to share the good news of Jesus’ resurrection with PKC kids, as well as new and returning visitors. Give thanks for the SLE and HET church families who welcomed and made new friends with the visitors at church and at the picnic.

Tuesday – Uncle Mike’s surgery

Pray for God to give strength and peace to Uncle Mike as he undergoes surgery. Pray that both Uncle Mike and Auntie Yin-Leng would know God’s nearness and would be delivered from fear. Pray for God to give wisdom and care to the surgeon and healthcare workers and all others caring for Uncle Mike. Pray for God to bring him safely through the operation.

Wednesday – Leaders Training Day

Give thanks for all those who serve our church by leading ministry teams and Grow Group leader teams. Pray that Leaders Training Day would be insightful and useful for the Team Leaders as they seek to serve their team members and enable them to serve others. Pray for the Team Leaders to embrace the challenges that come when transitioning from “doing ministry” to “enabling ministry”. Pray for wisdom, guidance, and discernment for all our Team Leaders as they continue to learn and grow into their role.

Thursday – Hertford Street Baptist Church

Give thanks for the work of the gospel at Hertford Street Baptist Church. Praise God for encouraging and challenging them in the gospel through their sermon series in Habakkuk and Romans this year. Pray for those considering Jesus from our recent Discover Course, that the gospel would bear fruit in people's lives Pray for their upcoming Church Weekend, that it would contribute to deepening the church in fellowship, and for God's Word to be preached clearly through Scott Curtis from Hunter Bible Church.

Friday – Cornerstone Beverly Hills

Praise God for the launch of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Beverly Hills, NSW. Pray that God would bring people from the Beverly Hills area, especially those who don’t yet know Jesus or aren’t connected to a church. Pray that his word would be preached clearly, that Jesus would be magnified, and that every person who comes would be warmly welcomed. Pray for joy, unity, strength and protection for our team. Pray that the launch of this new church would be the beginning of lasting gospel fruit and a faithful church community in the area.

Saturday – Sonja Graml (AFES at UniSQ)

Pray for Sonja serving with AFES at Christian Students in the University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba. Give thanks for the great gospel partnership enjoyed between the students and staff. Pray for suitable and godly students to be elected for next year’s committee. Give thanks for the generous partnership of SLE Church and the other 60 or so individuals supporting Sonja financially. Pray for God's grace to be at work so that new partners are raised up.

Community News

Baptism Classes - Mondays 24 & 31 Aug

Baptism is a wonderful and joyous occasion for our church - a great time to witness and hear how the gospel has been at work in someone. Do save the date for baptism on 13 September (Sunday).

Pastor Steven will be holding two online baptismal classes on Mondays 24 & 31 August evenings, on what baptism is, and what it means for SLE Church.

If you are interested, please contact Pastor Steven on 0411 621 159 or steven.tran@sle.church.

SaLT Camp 2026 (2 -4 Oct, Fri - Sun)

Identity Beyond Imagination

Who are we, really, in Christ? This year, we're inviting our teens into three days of discovering an identity that goes beyond anything they've imagined for themselves — shaped not by the world's expectations, but by who God says they are. Expect games, community, and real conversations.

CYC Adventure, Gold Coast

Register by Sun, 6 Sep, 9pm: sle.church/events

The Kingdom’s Diagnosis (Matthew 15:1-20)

Introduction

1. What it means to be unclean (Leviticus 15:31; Haggai 2:11-13; Psalm 24:3-4)

- a. Not about dirt – but about access to God
- b. Uncleaness spreads; holiness doesn’t
- c. A daily lesson they couldn’t fix

2. Blind to God’s Word (Matthew 15:1-9)

- a. The charge: unwashed hands (vv.1-2)
- b. The counter-charge: a voided commandment (vv.3-6)

- c. The verdict: two witnesses (vv.7-9)

3. Blind to What Truly Defiles (Matthew 15:10-20)

- a. The parable: in vs out (vv.10-11)
- b. Blindness on both sides (vv.12-16)
- c. The diagnosis: the heart (vv.17-20)

So what?

The cure that isn’t named

The cure Matthew shows

Stop scrubbing...