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Upcoming Events

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| 17 Nov | Primary Kids Church Christmas Event |
| 24 Nov | Junior Kids Church Christmas Event |
| 27 Nov | Mamak for Mission & Kingdom Prayer Group |
| 27 Nov, 4 Dec | Baptismal Classes |
| 8 Dec | Christmas Carols Service |
| 15 Dec | Baptism |

For more information, check out sle.church/events

Today's Service

Welcome and Singing 🎵 Here we stand
 🎵 You Alone Can Rescue
 🎵 Be Thou My Vision

Community News

Bible Reading Isaiah 42:1-9
 John 9:1-41

Sermon Pastor Andrew Faulkner

Lord's Supper

Song of Response 🎵 Blessed Assurance

Financial Updates

Last Week	\$8,332.75
Weekly Required	\$11,000.00
Shortfall 2024-2025	\$0.00

Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

A/C Name	SLE Church
Bank	National Australia Bank
BSB:	084-424
Acc No.:	396558544

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



17 November 2024
Service Times: 9am & 11am

Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. We gather to sing songs, read the Bible, and know more about Jesus. Check us out at sle.church.



Sight to the blind

In John 9, we witness the transformation of a blind beggar whose life is radically changed by an encounter with Jesus. Through this healing, we see more than just restored sight—it's a powerful revelation of spiritual awakening. Just as the once-blind man declares, "I was blind, but now I see," this story invites us to confront our own blindness and let Jesus open our eyes to the true light and life only He offers. Will we respond to His call to see, believe, and worship?

Prayer Points

Praise God for his covenant faithfulness to us in Jesus—that despite our unfaithfulness and desire to turn idolatry, he remained faithful to his promise to save us. Praise God that his love never fails. Pray that we would cling to the certainty of Jesus' resurrection and the hope this gives us for our salvation, and pray that this would spur us to keep going in loving and obeying our Lord Jesus.

Pray that Jesus would be the light that confronts the spiritual blindness of our sinful hearts. Pray that we would see Jesus as the Son of God and the true light of the world, that we would believe in the resurrection and in his power to give us true life, and that we would live in obedient worship of him.

Pray for Women's Group as they meet to grow in God's Word, share in community, and reach out to their friends and family with the gospel. Pray for the members who often juggle busy and complex commitments with work, children, travel, and sickness, that they would persevere in meeting with other Christians for encouragement and support, and that they would continue to find comfort and rest in God. Pray for the women who continue to preach the gospel to unbelieving family members that they would trust in the God who can soften the hardest of hearts.

Pray for all those who have been victims of institutional abuse, and especially abuse suffered under those who purport to be servants of God and leaders in his church. Pray that they might find strength and comfort in the love of Christ, and that they might experience care and support from their church communities who seek to protect and defend them. Pray that the gospel of Jesus would cause genuine repentance and restoration. Pray for church leaders to be vigilant in standing against abuse.

Community News

Kids Church Christmas Events

What a great opportunity to share about Jesus this season to kids of all ages through engaging stories, songs, crafts and fun games. Invite any kids that you know from 2 years old to Grade 6 to one of our kids church Christmas events.

Primary Kids Church Christmas Party A Very Merry Message

Ages: Grade 1 to Grade 6

Date: 17 Nov (Sun)

Time: 8:45am to 10:45am

Venue: 119 Carmody Road, St Lucia Playground

RSVP: by 10 Nov (Sun) at sle.church/events

Junior Kids Church Christmas Party The Shepherd's Baaa-riliant Night!

Ages: 2 years old to Prep age

Date: 24 Nov (Sun)

Time: 9am to 10:30am

Venue: SLE Church, enter from Armadale St.

RSVP: by 20 Nov (Wed) at sle.church/events

Baptismal Classes: Wednesdays 27 November & 4 December

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 15 December (Sunday).

Pastor Steven will be holding baptismal classes on 27 Nov and 4 Dec 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.

Mamak for Mission and Kingdom Prayer Group, Wednesday 27 November

Better together: Mamak for Mission and Kingdom Prayers will be partnering for our first-ever joint prayer meeting! Join us as we learn about how God has been working through two South-East Asian Nations, as we take the privilege to pray to our Great God to grow His kingdom in these regions. We hope that people will be encouraged to grow their heart for God's global mission.

The evening will kick off with dinner, followed by a program of icebreaker games, short talks, and prayer time.

Date: Wednesday 27 November

Time: 6:30pm (Dinner), 7:00pm official start

Location: Chapel Hill

Dinner will be provided (if you're happy to chip in)

To RSVP, please register at sle.church/events

Christmas Carols Service: Sunday 8 December 11am 83 Ryans Road, St Lucia

Join us for a special morning of Christmas Carols as we sing and remember God's love for us in the coming of Jesus. For centuries, Christians have gathered to sing out and remember what matters most at Christmas.

This is a wonderful tradition to share with family and friends, so invite them along for a morning of music, fellowship and festive cheer as we prepare our hearts for Christmas!

Sight to the Blind (John 9:1-41)

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

1. Illumination (1-7).

2. Interrogation (v8-34)

a) Neighbours and the man (v8-12)

b) Religious leaders and the man (v13-17)

c) The man's parents and the religious leaders (v18-23)

d) Religious leaders and the man again (v23-34)

3. Incarnation (v35-41)

3 Takeaways:

1. We need to see Jesus for who he is and respond to him rightly – this man shows us how to do just that.

2. Whilst this passage is a true story about a first century blind man – it's also our spiritual story too.

3. We need to consider - is there a problem with our sight? Are we humble enough to ask God to help us with that?