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## Upcoming Events

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| 13, 20, 27 Nov | Just Looking                   |
| 20 Nov         | Christmas @ Home               |
| 27 Nov         | PKC Christmas Event            |
| 2 Dec          | Conversations for Faith & Life |
| 4 Dec          | JKC Christmas Event            |
| 10 Dec         | Baptism                        |
| 11 Dec         | Christmas Carols               |
| 25 Dec         | Christmas Services             |

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## Today's Service

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Welcome and Singing	All Creatures Of Our God And King
	Christ Our Hope In Life And Death
	Take Heart
Community News	
Lord's Supper	
Bible Reading	1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
Sermon	By Pastor Steven Tran
Song of Response	There Is One Gospel

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## Financial Update

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Last Week	\$11,877.96
Weekly Required	\$7,500.00
Shortfall 2022	\$0.00

### Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

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

SLE Church is a branch church of Chinese Christian Church Brisbane

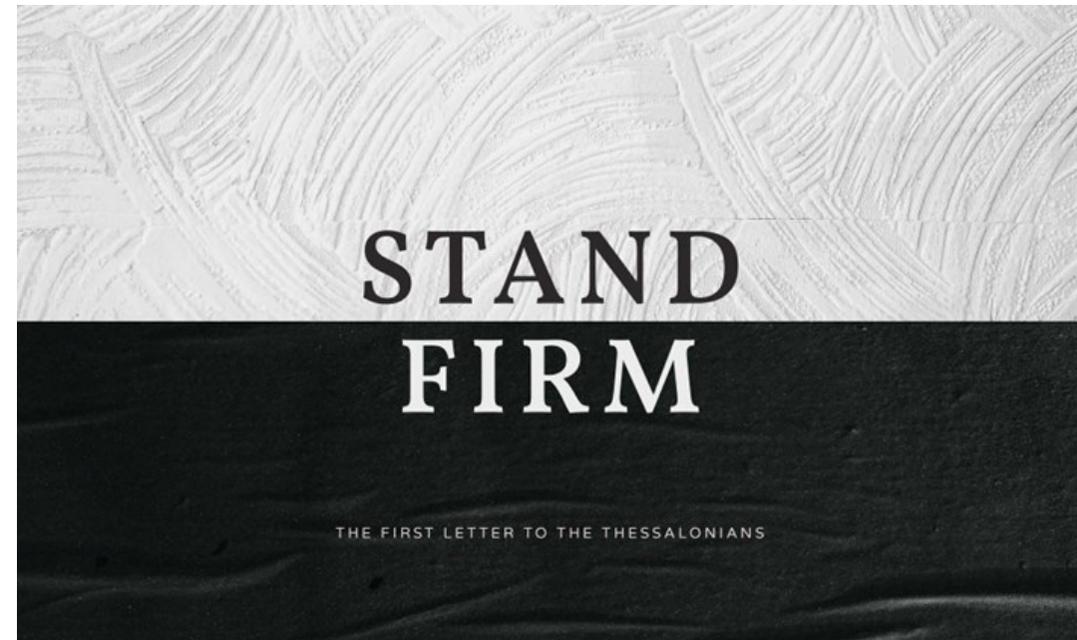


13 November 2022 | Service Times: 9am & 11am

## Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord. We do this by getting to know him through his living Word, the Bible, which is why the sermon is the key part of our Sunday services.

Find out more about us at [www.sle.church](http://www.sle.church)



## Standing Firm Together

*The exhortation and encouragement to stand firm together requires unity, effort, and grace.*

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## Prayer Points

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### **BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST!**

According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

(1 Peter 1:3-5)

### **THANK GOD FOR THE AMAZING COMFORT THAT THIS TRUTH BRINGS!**

Thank God for the comfort it brings to those who have lost loved ones to death and to those who are increasingly facing the reality of death. Thank the Lord for the comfort of knowing that when the Lord returns, we will all be raised and be with Him forever. Pray that those who particularly need to know and experience this truth, would.

### **PRAY, THEREFORE, THAT WE WOULD HOLD ON TO THIS TRUTH,**

that we would all be prepared for His return, that those who have yet to put their trust in Jesus would do so, and those that have would continue to live as children of the light, as those who truly belong to the day, shaped fully by the certain return of Jesus.

### **PRAY FOR BELIEVERS TO BE SOBER AND AWAKE,**

living out lives of love, hope and faith. Pray that we would grow a greater concern and compassion for those who are unprepared for the Lord's return.

### **THANK GOD FOR THE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO INVITE OUR**

**FRIENDS** to many events in the lead up to Christmas. Pray especially for Christmas @ Home next Sunday that many would be courageous and keen to invite their friends and that many who are invited would come.

Pray also for the Junior (4 Dec) and Primary (27 Nov) Kid's Church events that our children and parents would extend many invitations which will receive a favourable response. Pray that through these events, and through the many conversations that happen surrounding it, that many would come to know and find life in the Lord Jesus Christ whom Christmas points to.

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## Community News

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### **CHRISTMAS @ HOME, Sunday 20 November**

Celebrate Christmas in the comfort of a home with your unbelieving friends & family, before everyone goes away for holidays!

SLE is pre-recording a special Christmas service, which will premiere at 8:45am on our YouTube channel. You are free to watch it whenever it suits you & your guests.

What do you need to do now?

1. Organise the event: team up, assign a venue, sort out food plans.
2. Pray and invite your unbelieving friends, family, neighbours, colleagues etc.
3. Once settled, RSVP at <https://sle.church/Christmas-at-home> to let us know your plans.

### **SEARCHING FOR CHRISTMAS –a Christmas Event by SLE Primary Kids Church**

What do a stable, angels, fairy lights, and candy canes have to do with Christmas? Join us as we go on a search to find out what happened on the very first Christmas and why it's really good news!

A fun morning of the Christmas story, songs, games, prizes, craft, and morning tea.

Each child will bring home an edible Christmas scene.

Sunday 27 November, 9am-12noon

St Lucia Playground

RSVP at <https://sle.church/events> by 21 November

### **FOLLOW THE STAR! - a Christmas Event by SLE Junior Kids Church**

Many years ago, wise men followed a bright shiny star in the sky which led them to a very special baby—Baby Jesus! Come join us this Christmas as we go on a fun adventure through songs, stories and games to discover who this special baby is!

Sunday 4 December, 9am

SLE Church, 83 Ryans Road, St Lucia

RSVP at <https://sle.church/events>

### **CHRISTMAS CAROLS Sing-a-long Sunday 11 December, 5-6pm, South Hall**

Come and join us with a fun evening of singing and getting into the Christmas cheer!

Free dinner and desserts to follow!

Spaces are limited, so RSVP now at <https://sle.church/carols>

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## Standing Firm Together (1 Thessalonians 5:12-28)

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Introduction:

Standing firm needs:

1. Unity (v12-13)
    - a. Loving your pastors (!!)
    - b. Being at peace
  2. Effort (14-22)
    - a. Admonish, encourage, help, with patience
  3. Grace (23-28)
    - a. God's faithful sanctifying work in your whole being
    - b. Starting by grace, finishing by grace
- b. Do good, not evil
  - c. Rejoice and Pray
  - d. Do not quench the Spirit