



# THE FRIEND

11AM | 27 JULY 2025

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Hello! We are glad you could join us for today's worship service at Lygon Street Christian Chapel. We are a friendly, evangelical church in the city of Melbourne. As those seeking to love and follow Jesus Christ, we welcome people from all walks of life and all parts of the world.

In this bulletin, you will find our vision statement, the order of today's service, and other information you may find helpful. It is our prayer that you are blessed worshipping with us today. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the leadership (or anyone who looks like they would know).





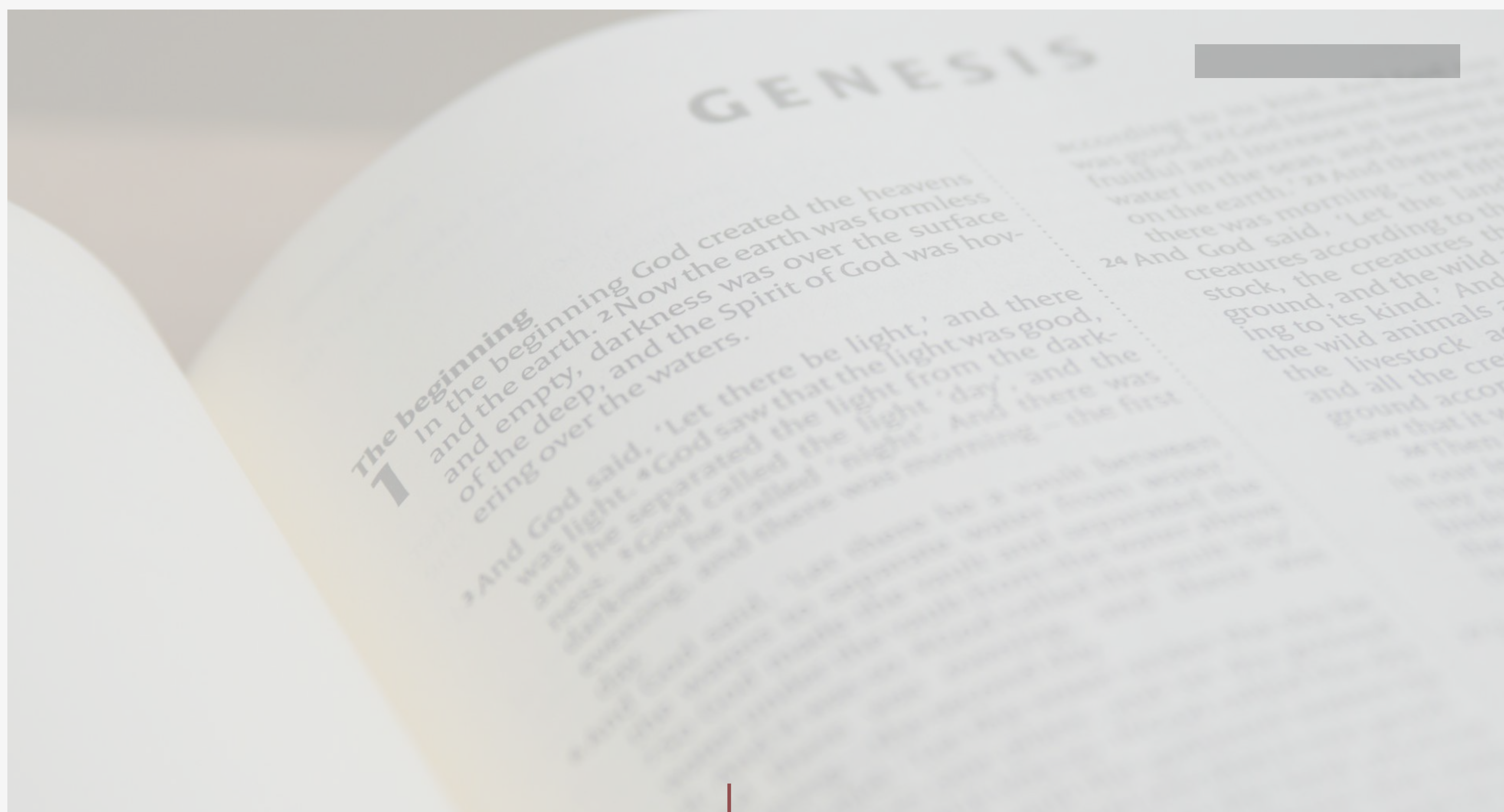
## OUR VISION & MISSION

*We are a Bible-centered church that exists to bring glory to God.*

*We believe what the Bible says – that it is God’s perfect word to us.*

*We seek to teach from His Word faithfully so that every member will build a deep and lasting personal relationship with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and be equipped to share the Good News of God’s free salvation to everyone.*

*It is our mission to love one another passionately, serve selflessly and reach out lovingly so that those who are far away from God may find new life in Jesus.*



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# WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

## — 11AM

Praising God in songs

Welcome

Announcements

Prayer

Offering

Bible reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Sermon: Eyes opened by the Spirit

Closing song: Praise Him! Praise Him!

Mission commissioning

Closing





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# CONNECT

Hello! If you are joining for us for the first time, we welcome you to Lygon Street Christian Chapel. Here are some ways you can connect with us!

For newcomers:

[CONNECT FORM](#)

To view our Sunday service online:

[VIEW LSCC  
LIVESTREAM](#)

Subscribe to our mailing list for important updates and announcements:

[SUBSCRIBE NOW](#)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Sunday 24th August 2025 SUNDAY SCHOOL BIBLE BOOK WEEK PARADE

Parents and families with toddlers and babies are welcome to join in the fun too! Parade starts at the end of service.

Moses & The 10 Commandments  
Mary, Joseph & Baby Jesus  
David & Goliath  
David Playing the Harp  
Roman Centurion  
Peter denies Jesus (rooster)  
Shadrach Meshach & Abednego  
Jonah in the Whale  
Boy in Five Loaves & 2 Fishes  
Jesus Turns Water into Wine  
Daniel & the Lion's Den  
God Provides Manna  
Joseph & the Colourful Coat  
The Tree of Knowledge of Good & Evil

Shepherd  
King Herod  
Samsom  
Cain & Abel  
Good Samaritan  
Noah's Ark/Rainbow  
Angel / Angle Gabriel  
Pharisees  
Lazarus  
Prodigal Son  
Three Wisemen  
Twelve Disciples  
Adam & Eve  
Rebekah

Woman at the Well  
Ruth the Moabite  
Mary Magdalene  
Queen Esther  
Egyptian Princess  
Miram & Moses in a Basket  
Miram & the Tambourine  
Queen of Sheba  
Rahab's Rope in Jericho  
Mary Washes Jesus Feet  
Parable of the 10 virgins  
Deborah  
Martha  
Elizabeth





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## **Sunday School Bible Book Week Parade**

Sunday school will be doing a Bible Book Week Parade! All families with kids, young children or babies are welcome to join. Parents, teachers and helpers are also welcome to dress up for the parade, if you wish to do so.

Date: 24th August 2025

Parade Time: Immediately after service. (12.30pm)

Kids to get ready to line up: 12.20pm

For more information, contact Lois 0425 658 446.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Women's Ministry

LSCC Women's Ministry



Pilates class

SATURDAY 23rd August

10am - 12:30pm

LSCC back hall

\$10 pp

Includes morning tea & group prayer

Suitable for beginners and ALL ages

Register here

For further enquiries contact Stephani or Jill

Bring your own mat

Please sign up here:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf0c2ap5EXvt4yFiB66P9eszNdxFwgM5S7VXm4GSelnn7oRg/viewform>



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## **CHURCH LIBRARY:**

A huge thank you to Fay Trevethick and Sandra Baldry for generously clearing and organizing our church library! You'll find a selection of books and media resources on tables at the front of the chapel. You are warmly welcome to browse and take home anything that interests you. Any items remaining will be donated.

## **PRAYER MEETING**

Our weekly Prayer Meeting is on every Wednesday, at 8:00 PM - 9 PM. We gather on Zoom to pray, support one another and learn to rest in God's goodness.. If you'd like to join, please contact Melvin, and he will send you the Zoom link. Let's come together in prayer and encourage one another.

## **GROWTH GROUP MINISTRY**

Our Growth Groups are starting up again! These small groups meet during the week to reflect on God's Word, grow in faith, and build community as God's people. If you're not yet part of a group and would like to join one, please let Melvin know. It's a wonderful way to connect, learn, and grow together!

For all inquiries, you can reach **Melvin Lo** at [[melvinwylo@gmail.com](mailto:melvinwylo@gmail.com) or **0402227506**]. We look forward to seeing you involved in these meaningful opportunities!



## NEXT SERMON SERIES

# GOD'S BIG PLAN FOR CHRIST'S NEW PEOPLE

## EPHESIANS

13.07.2025/ EPHESIANS 1: 1-14/ BLESSED IN CHRIST

20.07.2025/ EPHESIANS 1: 3-14/ SAVED BY GOD

27.07.2025/ EPHESIANS 1: 15-23/ EYES OPENED BY THE SPIRIT

03.08/2025/ EPHESIANS 2: 1-10/ RAISED IN CHRIST

10.08.2025/ EPHESIANS 2: 11-22/ UNITED WITH CHRIST

17.08.2025/ EPHESIANS 3/ GIVEN GOD'S MESSAGE

24.08.2025/ EPHESIANS 4: 1-16/ GROWING IN CHRIST

31.08.2025/ EPHESIANS 4:17 - 5:17/ CLOTHED WITH NEW LIFE

07.09.2025/ EPHESIANS 5: 18- 6:9/ FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

14.09.2025/ EPHESIANS 6: 10-24/ READY FOR BATTLE

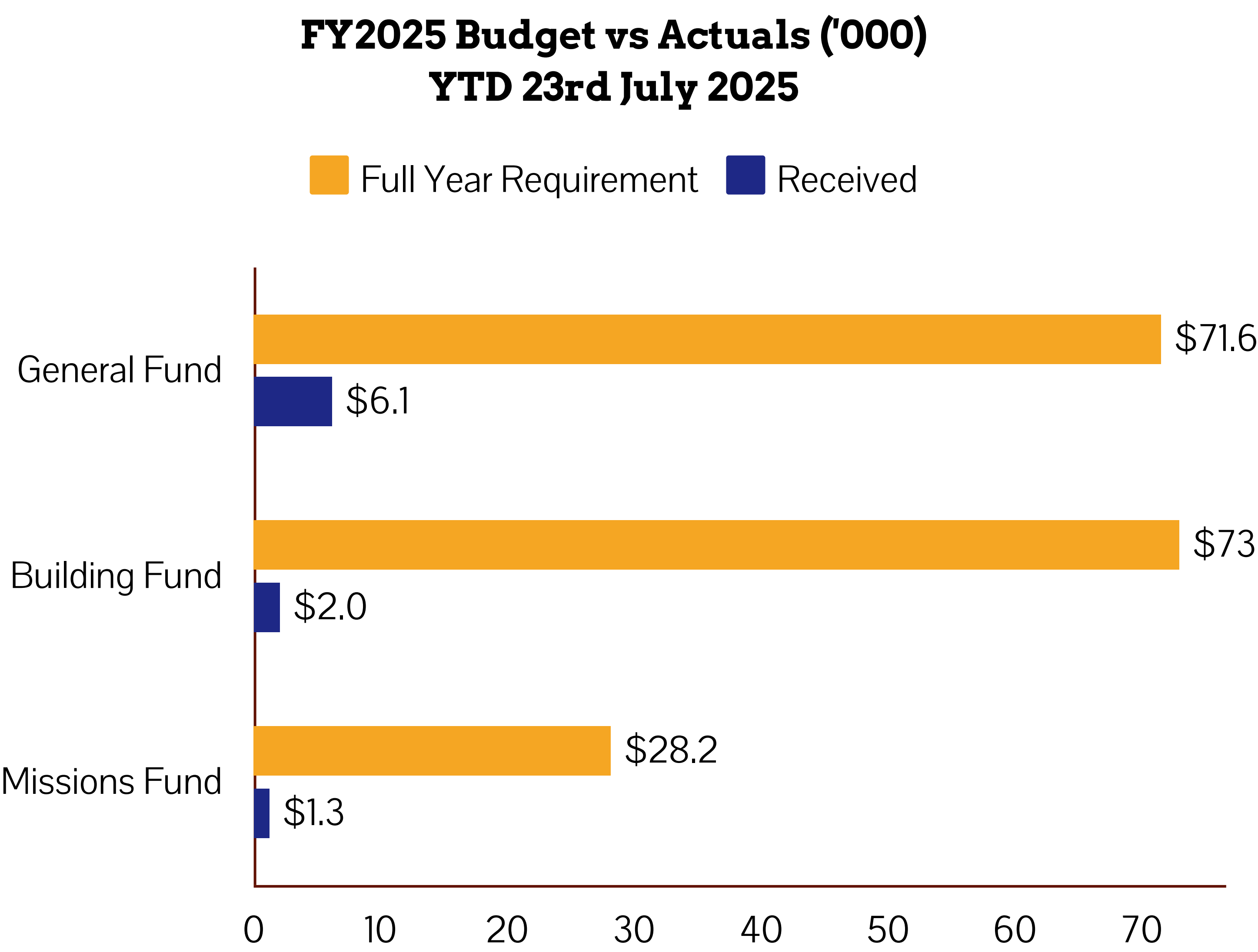


Lygon Street Christian Church  
54 Lygon Street, Carlton, VIC 3053  
11AM service  
LIVE Broadcast at: <http://lsc.org.au/live>



# CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

The FY2026 budget has been finalised, reflecting an overall 30% reduction in budgetary requirements. While this decrease is largely due to the completion of the south-side garden project, we have allocated funds for other building-related improvements. We thank you for your continued support and should you have any queries on the budget, please reach out to us at [lsc54@gmail.com](mailto:lsc54@gmail.com).



Financial Tracker - 1 July 2025 to 23 July 2025					
	Avg. Weekly Required	Avg. Weekly Received	Total Period Required	Total Period Received	Total Surplus/ (Shortfall)
General Fund	\$1,377	\$1,869	\$4,524	\$6,142	\$1,618
Building Fund	\$1,404	\$609	\$4,613	\$2,000	(\$2,613)
Missions Fund	\$542	\$406	\$1,782	\$1,335	(\$447)



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# GIVING

There are a number of ways in which you can give financially to the work of the church. We have resumed the passing of offering bags during our church services. You may also continue to make your offering online. If you would like to contribute using online banking, transfers can be made directly to LSCC using the following account details:

**General Fund – For all our day-to-day ministry & administration costs.**

**Account Name: LSCC General Fund**

BSB: 033-000

Account Number: 593302

**Mission Fund – For mission partners, engaging in evangelism, discipleship, compassion, etc**

**Account Name: LSCC Missions Fund**

BSB: 033-000

Account Number: 593310

**Building Fund – For all our building-related costs.**

**Account Name: LSCC Building Fund**

BSB: 033-009

Account Number: 805316

\*Givings to the Building fund are considered as tax-deductible donations and donors will be issued with a tax receipt for each donation. We kindly ask that you keep the Building Fund contributions to a minimum of \$50. This will allow our team to better manage the administrative requirements for issuing tax receipts. For all first-time donors, please kindly email **lsc54@gmail.com** with your full name and amount contributed.



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# GETTING INVOLVED

## **SENIORS' MINISTRY**

They meet every first Sunday of the month and third Thursday evening of each month on Zoom for Bible study.

For more information: Contact Fay Trevethick on 0412 444 131

## **CARLTON GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP (CGF)**

University (local and international), post grad, fresh graduates meets every Friday 7 pm at the back hall of Lygon Street Christian Chapel:

**54 Lygon Street, Carlton.**

For more information, you can follow us on:

<https://lsc.org.au/about-us/university-students/>

<https://www.facebook.com/carltongf>

## **GROWTH GROUP**

Men and women of all ages from different walks in life meet in different areas during the week to study the Bible.

For more information about the groups and the ministry please contact Melvin at [melvinwylo@gmail.com](mailto:melvinwylo@gmail.com) or 0402 227506

## **YOUTH GROUP**

Year 7 to Year 12 high schoolers meet fortnightly at the back hall of Lygon Street Christian Chapel on Sunday morning for bible study and fellowship.  
Time: 10am

For more information, contact Cindy Lee at [clsy147@gmail.com](mailto:clsy147@gmail.com); or Swee Yue Tan at [sweeyuetan@gmail.com](mailto:sweeyuetan@gmail.com)

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (SUNDAY SCHOOL)**

There is a Children's ministry and program every Sunday at 11 AM.

For more information: Contact our Children and Youth worker: Vut Wong at [vut.wong@gmail.com](mailto:vut.wong@gmail.com) or 0425 299 804.

## **CHURCH LUNCH MINISTRY**

The church lunch usually starts in March and held on the first Sunday of every month after the 11 AM service. It is a vital ministry that brings the church together. The team always has room for more cooks, helpers in setting and cleaning up. For more details, please contact our coordinator: Jason Lau at [greatnessjason@gmail.com](mailto:greatnessjason@gmail.com) or 0423 475 560.



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# LOVE IN ACTION

## **CGF**

- Thanking God for CGF's continuing efforts in helping the newer students to settle.
- Thank God for the gathering they had. Despite the picnic planned earlier being replaced with indoor activities due to the weather, praise God the interest and the opportunity for the regular and newer students to bond.
- Pray that our Lord would continue to grant the leaders energy in following up on the newcomers.
- Please continue to pray for the CGFers that the studies from Ephesians would help them grasp all that they have in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Please also pray for those who are attending but don't know Jesus that they will come to know him and respond to his call to come to him finding salvation.
- Pray for those looking for employment opportunities that our Lord would open doors for them.
- Pray that CGF would see many being won into Jesus' kingdom.
- Pray that there will be continuing spiritual and numerical growth in the fellowship.
- Pray for those looking for employment opportunities that our Lord would open doors for them.
- Pray for Nathan Han as he relocates to South Australia that he would settle down in the area quickly and find Christ-centered church to be part of.
- Pray for the students to use their semester break well.

## **PILATES | Women's Ministry**

- We continue to thank God for the formation of the Women's Ministry and pray that the committees would persevere in being Christ centred.
- Pray for the upcoming activity that would draw an encouraging interest in the 'Pilates Class.'
- Pray that the woman's relationships with one another would be strengthened and they would use it to build the wider church in LSCC.
- Pray that many would come to Jesus as their Lord and Saviour through the friendship with the women in our church.



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## **THIS SUNDAY:**

- LSCC will be having the 3rd talk in the series from the letter to the Ephesians under the theme 'God's Big Plan for Christ's New People' this coming Sunday (27th July 2025)
- We thank God for Gavin Wong's talk last Sunday in helping us to grasp from Ephesians 1:1-14 that we have nothing lacking in Jesus Christ.
- Please pray that we as a church would grow in our contentment in Jesus and thankfulness to God for his goodness to us in giving us His Son.
- This Sunday we are having the retired pastor formerly served as the Senior Pastor of Cross Cultures Church in Swanston Street, Sam Reeve, to preach for us from Ephesians 1:15-23. Pray that our lives would grasp the inexhaustible breathe and depth of God's love expressed in Jesus Christ. Pray for Sam's preparation and also that we would have a humble heart responding to God's word.
- Please pray that our Lord would continue to watch over LSCC and protect us from the evil one who is always looking for opportunities to destroy the church. Pray that our eyes would always fix on Jesus alone.
- Pray that LSCC would continue to be faithful and grow in Jesus.
- It would also be Kelvin, Yen Ping and family's last Sunday with us in LSCC before returning to the field. Pray that they would be refreshed through this break in Melbourne. Pray that God would strengthen them for the work ahead. As we re-commission them, pray that our partnership in the mission-gospel work would be deepened.
- Please pray in every aspect of the service this Sunday that it will build the body of Christ.
- Pray for the rest of the other service helpers such as the song leaders, service leaders, PA-tech teams would all work well harmoniously and that they would be strengthened to serve our Lord with joy.



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## **SENIORS CORNER:**

- Praise God for the Seniors in LSCC's desire to study God's Word. As they started on studying from Ephesians, pray that they would realise in greater depth of Jesus' love for them. Pray that the seniors would grow in their sufficiency in our Lord Jesus.
- Pray for Don McCall, Min Thong Lee, Emma Tan who helps organises events and leads the bible study that they would prepare well for the studies. Praise God for their faithfulness and pray that our Lord would enable them to serve him with joy.
- We thank God for the recent event about 'Age Care, pension, asset and financial planning' organised by Min Thong Lee. Praise God for his availability and timelessness of the issues that were being addressed. Pray that the seniors would find it helpful practically.
- Praise God that Shu Shan's stormwater drainage has been tested and proven to be working fine and suffering from no leakages as initially feared. Pray that the on-going investigation to the 'water problem' experienced by the neighbour would be resolved. Pray for Shu Shan that our Lord would continue provide her with wisdom as she works with the neighbour in resolving this matter.
- Pray for Neil Hawthorn as he experiences vertigo from time to time that our Lord would watch over him and provide him with relief. Pray as the doctors, surgeons are preparing for his upcoming surgery that our Lord would help them. Pray that the surgery would be successful and addressing Neil's epilepsy. Pray for our Lord's comfort, protection and provision upon Neil especially in the moments when he's experiencing seizure.
- Pray for Joseph Bautista and others who wrestle with blood complications that our Lord would bring healing. Pray that as they undergo their regular medical procedures our Lord would use it to bring them relief.
- Pray for Edwin Tai as he undergoes regular dialysis that our Lord too would continue to help him draw upon our Lord's unlimited grace. Pray for Emily Tai too that our Lord would continue to watch over her.
- Pray for Qing who is away in Malaysia that our Lord would provide her with a good time in catching up with family and friends.
- Pray that our seniors would continue to grow in Christ and in love for one another.



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## CROSS CULTURE MISSION PARTNERS

### ***Kelvin & Yen Ping Loo / PIONEERS***

- Praise God that Kelvin, Yen Ping and family have arrived safely in Melbourne. It was fantastic to have them worshipping together as part of the body of Christ in Lygon Street church last Sunday.
- Pray that both of them would have a good refreshing break and wonderful time of catching up with others.
- Pray that our Lord would continue to provide for their needs.

### ***David & Cathy Walter / AFES***

- For Cathy: Pray for wisdom as the National Director selection committee (of which Cathy is part of) as they evaluate candidates for the new AFES National Director.
- Pray for a clear mind as she takes on more national responsibilities.
- For Dave: Pray for wisdom in preparation as he writes talks for:
  - Solomon Islands national student conference (June 24-25)
  - RMIT & Deakin Uni Summit (June 30-July 4).
  - Preparations for the South Pacific Regional Conference (Sept 11-14).

## ***INTERNATIONAL CHINA CONCERN***

- Please pray for God's wisdom and encouragement for the local staff as they prepare and lead 11 summer camps for 580 children and young adults with disabilities. These camps are a wonderful opportunity to share God's love and create joyful, meaningful experiences.
- Pray for God's provision of the right volunteers and the financial support needed to make these camps possible. Each volunteer helps create a safe, fun, and loving environment for the children.
- (If you like to check out ICC's 2024 annual report, visit by using this link:  
**[https://chinaconcern.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/FINAL\\_DIGITAL-ICC-AUS\\_single-pages\\_Annual\\_Report-024.pdf](https://chinaconcern.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/FINAL_DIGITAL-ICC-AUS_single-pages_Annual_Report-024.pdf)**)



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## **EXPANSION OF PASTORAL STAFF**

- With Alethea stepping down from her role last year due to ill health, the eldership and board is the search for the suitable person to join the staff to serve alongside Melvin. Please pray that our Lord will provide the right person.
- Pray that the advertising would draw the right interest.
- Pray for wisdom upon the eldership in the entire employment process that they will choose and recommend well.

## **ISRAEL PALESTINE CONFLICT**

- Pray for the Israeli and Palestinian families who mourn for loved ones who were killed in this conflict that they will experience God's comfort.
- Pray for the believers in Gaza who are caught in the middle of the conflict that our Lord's protection would be upon them. Pray that our Lord would enable them to be wonderful witnesses in the midst of the difficult situation.
- Pray that, somehow, God will work through this situation to bring more people to Him—and that His people will be salt and light.
- Pray that our Lord would help leaders of both sides strive towards a peaceful resolution.



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# BIBLE READING

## EPHESIANS 1:15-23

**15** For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, **16** I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. **17** I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. **18** I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, **19** and his incomparably

great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, **20** which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, **21** far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. **22** And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, **23** which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.