## What's happening in February/March @ ACPC?

| Mon | Tues                             | Wed  | Thurs  | Fri  | Sat   | Sun  |
|-----|----------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| 24  | 25                               | 26   | 27   | 28   | 29  | 1  |
|     | Professionals                    | 10.30am<br>Ladies' Group<br>6.30pm<br>Young Adults'<br>Group | 7.00pm   | CHURCH CAMP<br>Moirs Point Christian Centre<br>Mangawhai Heads<br>Have you registered yet? |   |  |
| 2   | 3                                | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7   | 8  |
|     | 7.30pm<br>Professionals<br>Group | 6.30pm<br>Young Adults'<br>Group                             | 10.30am<br>Tea & Talk<br>8.00pm<br>Greenlane<br>Home Group | Goo<br>When<br>Go<br>When  | n you Pray,<br>l Listens.<br>you Listen,<br>d Talks.<br>you Believe,<br>l Works.<br>-tinknown | 10.00am Prayer<br>10.30am<br>Sunday Service<br>3.00-5.00pm<br>Table Tennis       |
| 9   | 10                               | 11   | 12   | 13   | 14  | 15   |
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| 16  | 17                               | 18   | 19   | 20   | 21  | 22   |
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# AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City 23 February 2020

## praying for others

- Rev Tang & Pastor Cox for God's guidance, wisdom, love, and strength in leading our ministries. We pray for blessings on them and their families.
- ACPC's needs we pray:
  - May God put His mission and His will in the prayer of each church member in this New Year;
  - For our leaders' wisdom and patience when seeking God's will and guidance;
  - Praise God for His provision in our building needs, in particular we continue to pray for the sale of 105 Vincent Street;
  - For those who are injured, unwell or troubled by difficult circumstances, may You give comfort, and peace;
  - Coronavirus we pray that it may be contained as soon as possible, and treatment and healing for those infected;
  - O Pray for our Renovation Team as they work through design and <u>engineering issues for 25 Union St</u>.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Romans 12:12 NIV

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Service Leader

# Get God involved.

Unless the Lord builds a house the work of the builders is wasted. Unless the Lord protects a city guarding it will do no good.



## Let us Begin! Psalm 127 Pastor Andrew Cox

A very warm welcome to everyone, especially visitors, to the service today! Please join us for morning tea afterwards.

contact us: Pastor Andrew Cox Email: Sa McCollahan EM Mobile: 021 858 771



Music Leader Bible Reader Ushers Techno Cup of Tea & Dishes Anthony Yan Benson Fong Francis Yu & Samuel Ho Harvey He & Rob Fong George Lowe, Michelle Tsang & Allister Young Moirs Point Christian Centre, Mangawhai Heads

# Reaching out each week @ acpc

<u>Tea and Talk</u> - games, tea and English conversation: Thursdays 10.30am-12.00pm **Table tennis**: Sundays 3.00-5.00pm

# A Word from Andrew

So much of the news last week was depressing. A horrific murder suicide, a severely injured toddler, a caregiver turned murderer - and the list goes on. But it can be argued the existence of evil suggests there is ultimate good as well.



The Bible goes further. It teaches that evil does not triumph in the end. "We live in a morally serious universe and unless there is a judgement when God will set things right, then we live in an absurd universe where we don't see good rewarded as it should and evil punished as it should." (David McCollough). So judgement (and mercy) is actually good news. God's justice and peace will prevail!



Church Camp: 28 February to 1 March 2020, Moirs Point Christian Centre, Mangawhai Heads. Have a chat to those who enjoyed this year's camp (its great facilities, wonderful food, laughter, games and friendships, the inspiring studies and discussions, and did we mention the lodges?) and mark your diary. Registration forms are out!!!

# Sermon Notes

## This Sunday Let us Begin! (Psalm 127)

#### Key verses from the series

The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord. David the king also rejoiced greatly. (1 Chronicles 29:9)



I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me. They replied, 'Let us start rebuilding.' So they began this good work. (Nehemiah 2:18)

Then [the leaders] and the whole remnant of the people obeyed the voice of the Lord their God and the message of the prophet Haggai, because the Lord their God had sent him. And the people feared the Lord. (Haggai 1:12)

#### The vision of 25 Union Street

"Acknowledge that Christ is the Lord and Proclaim His Word throughout the whole City as a testimony to all the nations, For His Glory."

On 23 June 2019 our church officially voted to purchase 25 Union Street. On 21 August 2019 the property was officially purchased by the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa NZ. We are raising funds to pay for the refurbishment of the new facilities. We believe the Lord has given us this building, but He requires us to be co-workers with Him in completing the work needed to make it a church our two congregations can use for His glory. Will you help us?

#### Remember

Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain. (Psalm 127:1)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9)

#### Questions to ponder

- 1. Read the Campaign booklet and prayerfully consider how you could be involved
- 2. Discuss fund-raising ideas with a church leader or staff member

