

21st September 2025, Week 38

Today's Message:
The Last Supper
Matthew 26: 17-35



Church Theme 2025-2027: Growing Communities, Moving for Christ

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THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

Order of Service

21st September

	Silent Prayer & Prelude	
	Silent Hymn	*The Lord is in His Holy Temple*
	Call to Worship	*Psalm 71: 4-8*
(stand)	Songs of Praise	
(stand)	Opening Prayer	
(stand)	Affirmation of Faith	*The Nicene Creed*
	Scripture Reading	*Matthew 26: 17-35*
	Sermon	*The Last Supper*
(stand)	Responsive song	*Break Thou the Bread of Life (HOP 134)*
	Tithes and Offering	
(stand)	Offering Prayer & Hymn	*We Give Thee But Thine Own*
	Welcome & Announcements	
(stand)	Closing Hymn	*My Faith Looks Up to Thee (HOP 280)*
(stand)	Benediction	
(stand)	Amen	*Four Fold Amen*
	Silent Prayer & Postlude	

Church Roster

	21-Sep-2025	28-Sep-2025
Church Event		Laity Sunday
Notes		Daylight Savings Start
Call to Worship	Psalm 71: 4-8	Psalm 71: 14-17

Sermon Title	The Last Supper	
Scripture Reading	Matthew 26:17-35	Matthew 26:36-46
Preacher	Rev James Chin	Rev James Chin
Response Hymn	Break Thou the Bread of Life (HOP 134)	
Closing Hymn	My Faith Looks Up to Thee (HOP 280)	

Liturgist	Lee Yang Law	Andrew Liew
Worship Leader	Eliza Chin	Lydia Sim
Liturgy Pianist	Emily Wong	Clement Tiong
Ushers	Evan Yong & Jarron Ting	Josephine & Wesley Law
Greeters		
Audio	Wesley Law	Hilary Chin
Live Stream (Camera)	Natania Ling	Thaddeus Ling
Slides Design & Control	Jaqueline Wong	Tim Ling
Offering Counters	Samuel Weng & Samuel Wong	Iris Loh & Chloe Chee

1. **Kitchen ministry. To place your pre-order,**
go to https://gcmc.nz/breakfast




2. Prayer items from Lay Ministry

(a) Pray for our LCEC members. That God will guide, protect and strengthen them to serve Him in various ministries. That the LCEC will serve in unity and function as one team.



(b) Pray for our church building fundraising. God will provide us with the fund to pay for the loan and the cost to upkeep the building. That we will use the church to worship, to train and develop leaders and to reach out to serve each other and the communities.

(c) Pray for each other to keep up with daily devotion and prayer. To build a strong relationship with each other and with God. To cherish what God has given us and to learn to love one another because God first loved us, while we were still sinners. Because we received God love freely we ought to love one another too.

(d) Pray for our pastors, God will watch over them and their family. He will protect them and provide all their needs. Grant them strength and wisdom to carry out their daily tasks of shepherding the church and guiding the various ministries.



3. Our **tithes and offerings** record for 14th September 2025

主日奉献 Offering	中文崇拜 Chinese Service:$ 221.4, 英文崇拜 English Service:$ 208, 儿主 Children Sunday School:$ 12, 外币 Forex:$, 银行转账 Online Transfer: $
十一奉献 Tithe	3:$50; 11:$426; 14:$100; 15:$1100; 21:$100; 23:$230; 25:$251; 27:$200; 38:$620; 43:$750; 89:$70; 100:$10; 107:$100; 112:$100; 117:$100; 118:$70; 119:$10; 124:$20; 153:$24.55; 180:$190; 224:$200;
建堂奉献 Church Build	3:$25; 11:$200; 14:$100; 25:$200; 29:$20; 43:$400; 80:$10; 88:$1840; 106:$50; 107:$200; 112:$100; 116:$15; 120:$300; 170:$20; 176:$50;
感恩/其他 Thanksgiving/General	64:$100; 65:$260; 202:$10;
新普利茅斯布道所 NPCMMC	58:$200;

	建堂	新普利茅斯布道所	总额
实收	$136,397.00	$5,815.00	$142,212.00

Online	$8,041.55
In Person	$1,221.40
Total	$9,262.95

Bank Transfer

Here are our account numbers for bank transfer:
Please provide as much detail as possible,

General Offerings: 12-3077-0658357-02
Church Building: 12-3077-0658357-50
English Fellowship: 12-3077-0658357-06

Donations $5 or more are eligible for tax rebates

REFERENCE: building or tithe, thanksgiving, etc.
CODE & PARTICULARS: your name or offering number

LCEC Directory (English Service)

Chair	Betty Hii (betty.hii@gcmc.nz)
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Mission and Evangelism	Eliza Chin (eliza.chin@gcmc.nz)
Operation	Lydia Sim (lydia.sim@gcmc.nz)
Property	Andrew Liew (andrew.liew@gcmc.nz)
Media and Literature	Samuel Wong (samuel.wong@gcmc.nz)
Social Concern	Lih Reng Foo (lr.foo@gcmc.nz)
English Fellowship Chair	Cecilia Hii (cecilia.hii@gcmc.nz)
Youth Fellowship Chair	Jacqueline Wong (jacqueline.wong@gcmc.nz)

5. Church Building Fundraising

HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN CHURCH BUILDING FUNDRAISING



You can support the new church's earthquake strengthening, renovation, and expansion work through financial donations (one-time or periodical donations).

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR THE PLEDGE FORM

https://gcmc.nz/en/cb-pledge/

- Praise God and with a grateful heart we get to own our church building with full scope of renovation. Thank you to everyone who contributed with donations, time and effort so far.
- Now with the completion of renovation we have concluded that the final amount we owe is **$2.328 million.** The debtors are:

Debtors	Amount	Estimated Pay Off Duration
Christian Savings (CS) Loan	$1.49 million	15 years
Additions and Alterations Cost (Remaining Balance)	$500k	6 years
Interest Free Loan from CCMC and DCMC	$200k	**Urgent, in 1 year**
Interest free loan from GCMC families	$138k	3 years

- To ensure we are able to serve the debtors above we need **$47k per month** for the next **18 months**. Then we're left with only Additions and Alteration cost and CS loan to serve with a lower monthly target ($30k per month from August 2026). We strongly encourage contribution from everyone as a church family for regular donation (weekly, fortnightly or monthly).
- The FundRaising Committee (FRC) is now appealing to the congregation for a **pledge reset** for the **next 18 months starting Feb 2025 to July 2026** for the purpose of monthly repayment forecast / planning.
- FRC has the following pledge suggestion:
  - $100 per week x 100 individuals x 4 weeks = $40k per month.
- We urge each of us to pray and complete the online pledge form below by **31 March 2025**.

6. Fellowship Events

Youth Fellowship: 26th September (Baking Night)

English Fellowship: 26th September (Bible Study)

7. Ministry of Social Concerns Collection List

- Food: Non perishables (canned tuna, canned soups, canned vegetables)
- Toiletries
- Feminine hygiene products
- Clean winter clothing

8. Media & Christian Literature Announcement



9. Daylight Savings Start

Next Sunday (28th September) daylight savings start at 2AM. Remember to turn your clocks forward an hour.

10. EF Timetable

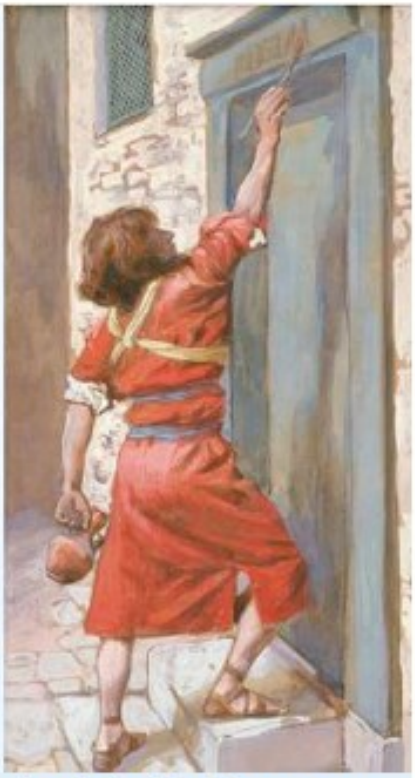
GCMC EF Roster

Date	Event	Saturday/Notes	Coordinator	Refreshments
19 Sep 2025	*Break*	*20th Sep: Committee Meeting*		
26 Sep 2025	**Bible Study**			Shirley
3 Oct 2025	TBC			Emily
10 Oct 2025	**Bible Study**			Lydia
17 Oct 2025	*Break*	*18th Oct - EF Community Outreach Event*		
24 Oct 2025	*Labour Weekend Break*			
31 Oct 2025	**Bible Study**			Grace

Passover

Cultural Ontology

A yearly holy day set apart for the Israelites to observe the exodus from Egypt, particularly the passing over of the Israelite firstborn males when the firstborn of Egypt were struck down in the last of ten plagues. In Christian tradition, Passover is also associated with the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with his disciples, as described in the New Testament, and is considered a precursor to the Christian holiday of Easter.



The feast of Unleavened Bread was closely related to Passover. Both were instituted at the same time, and both were memorial observances of the exodus from Egypt. Passover particularly focusing on escape from the last plague and the feast of unleavened bread the haste in which they left Egypt; so fast that there was no time for the bread to rise (Exodus 12:35). The feast of Unleavened Bread began with the Passover meal and lasted seven days, so Passover was often referred to as the first day of Unleavened Bread.

Excerpt from https://www.gracebibleny.org/last_passover_matthew_261730


纽西兰基督教华人卫理公会
CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH IN NEW ZEALAND
全纽线上祷告会
CONFERENCE ONLINE PRAYER MEETING
星期三晚上 WEDNESDAY 7:30-9:00PM
DATES:
14/05/25
06/08/25
05/11/25
04/02/26
JOIN ZOOM MEETING:
https://otago.zoom.us/j/93325223503?pwd=MU1oSlkxUlh5d2l6Sjc5MXhZbnpUdz09
MEETING ID: 933 2522 3503
PASSWORD: 629700
欢迎大家一起来祷告
WE WELCOME YOU TO COME AND PRAY TOGETHER
你们呼求我，向我祷告，我就应允你们。
你们寻求我，若专心寻求我，就必寻见。
耶利米书 29: 12-13
THEN YOU WILL CALL ON ME AND COME AND PRAY TO ME, AND I WILL LISTEN TO YOU.
YOU WILL SEEK ME AND FIND ME WHEN YOU SEEK ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART.
JEREMIAH 29: 12-13

Chinese Methodist Church in New Zealand (Annual Conference)

Bishop: Rev. Dr. Lai Liong CHAN

Pastoral Advisor: Rev. Joel SIEW

Area	Church	Minister	Time	Location / Contacts
Auckland	Auckland Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Dr. Lai Liong Chan Rev. Philip Wong	10:00am(C)	12 Young Road, Mt Wellington, Auckland (09) 837-2002 acmc@xtra.co.nz
	North Shore Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Frederick Tang	2:00pm(C)	67 Eban Ave, Hillcrest, Auckland (021) 2946357 fredericktina@gmail.com
	Greenlane Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Aaron Sim Rev. James Chin	10.00am(C) 10.00am(E)	193 Campbell Road, Greenlane, Auckland (09) 832-6278 aaronctsim@gmail.com
Hamilton	Hamilton Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Hammond Ho	2:00pm(C)	120 Masters Avenue, Silverdale, Hamilton (07) 929-4053 pastor@hcmc.nz
	Hamilton Preaching Point		9:30am(C)	4 North City Road, Hamilton (07) 929-4053 pastor@hcmc.nz
Tauranga	Tauranga Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Ling Ai Hwong	2:00pm(C)	56 Chadwick Road, Greerton, Tauranga (07) 544-0024 eunicehwong@tcmc.org.nz
New Plymouth	New Plymouth Chinese Methodist Mission Centre	Ps. Allan Huang	2:30pm(C)	89 Liardet St, New Plymouth (022) 648-9768 npcmmc@gmail.com
Wellington	Wellington Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Simon Goh Ps. Patrick Li	10:30am(C) 10:30am(E)	4 Gordon Street, Avalon, Lower Hutt (029) 0434 5204 sgoh.wcmc@gmail.com
	Lower Hutt Methodist Mission Centre		2:00pm(C)	46-48 Boulcott St, Wellington (029) 0430 6007 ps.patrickli@gmail.com
Palmerston North	Palmerston North Preaching Point		2:00pm(C)	12 Morris St, Palmerston North (029) 0434 5204 sgoh.wcmc@gmail.com
Christchurch	Christchurch Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Dr. Adrain King Rev. Qing Ming Chen Rev. John Ling	10:00am(C) 10:00am(E)	165 Papanui Road, Merivale, Christchurch (03) 355-7728 office.ccmc.nz@gmail.com
	Christchurch Methodist Mission Center	Rev. Qing Ming Chen	4:00pm(C)	3 Brake Street, Upper Riccarton (021) 887 716 qingming0@gmail.com
Dunedin	Dunedin Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Da Huang	10:00am(C)	500 Great King St, Dunedin (021) 172-5480 huangda1983@hotmail.com
Queenstown	Queenstown Methodist Mission Centre	Rev. Kwang Tau Yeo	6:00pm(C)	50 Mcbride Street, Frankton, Queenstown. (020) 470-8136 tau7038@gmail.com

Remarks: (C) – Chinese (E) – English