

Change

The Greek philosopher Heraclitus said "change is the only constant in life".

On the one hand he was right. We see change all around us. Seasons come and go - I'm enjoying the summer weather at the moment! People change - someone once told me that after 20 years of marriage you'll be married to a different person, although they go by the same name that they did 20 years ago! Our environment, our situation in life, our friends, our homes, our clothing choices, our senior pastor - everything changes as life goes on.

We are currently experiencing a period of rapid change in western culture. Brought about by centuries of philosophical thought, we in the west now view each individual as endlessly pliable according to our own desires and felt needs.

30 years ago, the statement "I am a man trapped in a woman's body" was incomprehensible. Today, this statement is seen by most younger generations as a self-evident truth. The very core of our understanding of identity and self has changed. Technology has allowed us to be hyper-connected and yet paradoxically has led to an epidemic of loneliness.

Change can be very unsettling. What we once relied on for comfort and security is taken away. This may cause us to despair.

But we have no reason to despair! In a constantly changing world one thing remains the same.

Hebrews 13:8 says "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday today and forever"

Isaiah 40:8 says "the grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever"

Our sovereign Lord does not change. Therefore he is our comfort, our security, our rock and our fortress. Our God changes times and seasons, he raises kings up and brings them down (Daniel 2:21). We take comfort in the knowledge that God is in control of all things.

Our culture seeks to be progressive. But it's as we put our trust in our unchanging God - in his unchanging word, in the unchanging truths of the gospel - that we will see true progress. Because God's plan in the world is to bring all things under the headship of Christ (Eph 1:10), and his plan will always succeed.

In Christ
Dan Butler - Youth Pastor

Welcome to 2021

A New Year is God's gift

**In the joyful moments thank Him
In the busy moments bless Him
In the trying moments trust Him
In the quiet moments Praise Him**

Welcome to Scott Newling and your family. We hope you enjoy your stay as **Acting Rector** with CAC. More about the Newlings 2 pages over

Welcome to Mitchell Albert, Christian Studies Teacher at PHHS. Mitchell will preach today.

Welcome to Erin Townsend, Christian Studies teacher at CTHS. Joining us on 31st January

SRE volunteers wanted

We are looking for more volunteers to teach SRE in our local primary schools. SRE is an amazing opportunity and privilege! SRE classes are run at 12pm on Tuesdays and 10:30am on Fridays in Cherrybrook Public School and John Purchase Public School. You would be provided with plenty of training for this role. If you would like to teach, or even just be a helper, please speak with Dan Butler on 0402 284 434

Services

9:30 am and 6:30 pm service returns in the hall on 31 January. 9:30 will continue to be live streamed.

For all services, please check CAC website **news tab** in case of last minute Government changes

PRAYER @ CAC



Thank you, Father:

- for a new year to praise you and learn more about Jesus
- for our CAC family
- for safety the school holidays

Please pray:

- for all countries struggling to overcome the COVID virus
- for all countries that many more will hear your call to follow Jesus
- for Australia as we try to proceed with our lives
- for all those who have not yet made a decision to turn to Christ
- for the Poole family settling into their new church family
- for Dan and Kat and Scott and Emma Newling
- for all church leaders,
- for the nominators as they proceed in their search with God's guidance
- for our church family –
 - for strength and healing for those who are ill or injured with health issues
 - those who are grieving
 - those who are carers
 - those who are isolated, scared, hurt, lost, broken or struggling with changes to the way they live life
 - those who lonely or anxious
 - those who have lost jobs or seeking new ones

- for Evelyn Smith, Sue Dawkins, John and Nancy Dossan, Nan Horne, Julie Hohne, Audrey Redhead

- for our missionaries and ministries that You will sustain them and provide for their needs
 - Graham and Sue Schabel, Global Recording Network
 - Mike and Kate Dawborn – YWAM Townsville
 - Dave and Bec McIntyre, CMS Japan
 - Rob and El Falls, Vanuatu
 - Lucy Ying and the One to One team.

• for growth groups and bible study groups that more will be involved in 2021

• for the SRE and scripture teachers at our schools

• for students and teachers returning to school

Update from the Nominators

Prayer is underscoring what we are doing as we progress in our search for the man God is leading us towards.



Matthew 25 : 14 - 30

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Christmas quiz answer

The spies around the crib were –
Moses who lived 1,000 years before, **Peter** who became a disciple of the adult Jesus and **Pontius Pilate** who did not appear until Easter

THE ACCOUNT DETAILS FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING ARE:

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Cherrybrook Anglican Church
BANK:
Commonwealth Bank of Australia
BSB: 062 401
ACC NUMBER: 1030 0904



Services are at
<https://www.facebook.com/cherrybrookanglican/live/>
or www.cherrybrookanglican.org.au

24 January 2022

9.30am Live
The parable of the Talents
Mitchell Albert
Matthew 25 : 14 – 30

31 January 2021

9.30am
Freedom to submit
Scott Newling
1 Peter 2 : 11 – 3 : 7
6.30pm
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Diary Dates

Friday 29 January
Fridge returns
7:00 – 9:00 pm
Sunday 31 January
KAOS and Crosstrainers
9:30 am
Tuesday 16 February
Prayer meeting by Zoom
7:30pm

Welcome to Scott Newling and his family.

We look forward to meeting with you personally when possible.

Scott will be Acting Minister for the time being.

This is where the Newlings have been serving.

Rev. Scott Newling



2020 – Locum: Point Church at Concord North
2017 - 2020 Rector: Watsons Bay
2014 – 2016 Acting Rector & Senior Assistant Minister: Gladesville
2011 – 2013 General Licence: Christ Church, Cambridge, UK
2008 – 2010 Assistant Minister: Berowra



Rev. Emma Newling
(School Chaplin at Junior
School of St Andrew's
Cathedral School)

Three boys:

- Calvin (13 yr)
- Aidan (11 yr)
- Titus (9 yr)