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**IN PRAYER**  
**PRAISE**  
**NEWS &**  
**THE BIBLE**

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**WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ROSEVILLE**  
**3RD MARCH 2013**

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*Believes*  
**IN NEWS**

*All that's going on  
around St Andrew's*

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# FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER

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## REV JOHN DICKSON

### 🕒 Senior Minister

We are very thankful for the presence of Dr Christopher Wright amongst us—in person last Sunday evening and via video this Sunday morning. In his work with the Langham Partnership Chris is at the forefront of thinking and writing about world mission. He not only influences at the highest levels of the global church, he also regularly assists theological students in Africa or village pastors in Pacific Islands and Asia. He was telling me about a preaching program he is conducting

soon for preachers from six unnamable countries throughout 'Central Asia'. Please keep him in your prayers as he furthers the work first envisaged by the great John Stott.

One of the most significant things Chris has been involved with in recent years is The Cape Town Commitment, a theological statement about the importance of world mission written for the Third Lausanne Congress on World Evangelization (held in Cape Town in October 2010) which brought together 4,200 evangelical leaders from 198 countries, and extended to hundreds of thousands more, participating in meetings around the world, and online. The document stands as a statement of unity of purpose for biblical churches throughout the world.

It can be read in full at:  
[lausanne.org/en/documents/ctcommitment.html](https://lausanne.org/en/documents/ctcommitment.html)

For this week's News I just thought I would quote from one section of the text, reminding us of the breadth and wonder of God's mission in the world and our part in it.

*We are committed to world mission, because it is central to our understanding of God, the Bible, the Church, human history and the ultimate future.*

*The whole Bible reveals the mission of God to bring all things in heaven and earth into unity under Christ, reconciling them through the blood of his cross.*

*In fulfilling his mission, God will transform the creation broken by sin and evil into the new creation in which there is no more sin or curse. God will fulfil his promise to Abraham to bless all nations on the earth, through the gospel of Jesus, the Messiah, the seed of Abraham. God will transform the fractured world of nations that are scattered under the judgment of God into the new humanity that will be redeemed by the blood of Christ from every tribe, nation, people and language, and will be gathered to worship our God and Saviour.*

*God will destroy the reign of death, corruption and violence when Christ returns to establish his eternal reign of life, justice and peace.*

*Then God, Immanuel, will dwell with us, and the kingdom of the world will become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

*God calls his people to share his mission.*

*The Church from all nations stands in continuity through the Messiah Jesus with God's people in the Old Testament. With them we have been called through Abraham and commissioned to be a blessing and a light to the nations. With them, we are to be shaped and*

*taught through the law and the prophets to be a community of holiness, compassion and justice in a world of sin and suffering. We have been redeemed through the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit to bear witness to what God has done in Christ. The Church exists to worship and glorify God for all eternity and to participate in the transforming mission of God within history. Our mission is wholly derived from God's mission, addresses the whole of God's creation, and is grounded at its centre in the redeeming victory of the cross. This is the people to whom we belong, whose faith we confess and whose mission we share.*

The Cape Town Commitment 1.10

Every blessing,

John Dickson

*All that's going on  
around St Andrew's*

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# COMMUNITY WATCH

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## THIS WEEK

### ☛ Time Out Community Outreach.

Fri 8th Mar – 12.30pm

Lunchtime Concert, City Recital Hall  
Feat. Soprano Greta Bradman and  
accompanist David Miller. Cost \$15.

Invite friends.

Meet on Roseville Station at 10.55am.

Contact: Marilyn Moulton 9449 5822.

## FOR THE DIARY

### ☛ Parish Annual General Meeting

Mon 11th Mar – 7.00pm

### ☛ Women's Evening Bible Study

Commencing Tue 12th Mar – 8.00pm

Fortnightly in the Kelman Room.

Contact: Meredith Hatcher

### ☛ Middle Eastern Feast

Thu 28th Mar

Cost \$25, BYO Drinks, Church Hall.

Set the evening aside; more details next week.

Contact: david.morris@standrews.net.au

### ☛ Women's Bookclub

Thu 4th Apr – 8.00pm

2A Malory Ave, West Pymble

Please join us as we discuss John Ortberg's

latest book "*Who is this Man?*"

If you need a copy of the book, see Meredith.

## OTHER

### ☛ Playgroup Morning Tea Help Request

Help is required with preparing morning tea  
for playgroup between 10.30 and 11.30am on  
Thursday mornings.

This involves cutting up fruit, making tea and  
coffee, and clean-up.

Please contact Emily Tong

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either on a regular basis or specifically for a  
6-week period whilst other helpers are away.

## PLEASE PRAY

### ☛ Churchwide Prayer

Praise God for the healing that is occurring in  
Meredith Dimarco's burnt hand and pray it  
continues.

Please pray for any in our St Andrew's  
community suffering grief especially  
remembering the Loel family, the Crooks  
family and the Marks family.

Pray that the Women's Dinner on Monday  
night will be a welcoming, encouraging night  
that speaks of God's love and faithfulness.

Please continue to pray for the Groombridges. Rochelle will be having surgery on 21st March. Praise God that they have very much felt his sustaining presence over the past few weeks.

Pray:

That they will know God's peace and sustaining power as they wait for the operation;

For patience as they await the operation date and for the results post-operation;

For their exhaustion both physical (due to lack of sleep, adjusting to time and temperature changes) and emotional (with the strain and stress of the past few weeks);

For God's mercy that the results will come back negative;

For their church in Slovenia in the wake of their news and sudden departure. Pray especially that people will step up to help Peter and Lidija Novak in the Groombridge's absence.

### 🕒 10am Prayer

Please pray for Jenny Jessup who is having back surgery on Tuesday. Pray for a successful outcome and smooth rehab back to full strength and that Jenny and Alan will trust God in everything.

Please pray for Jenny Nott who is in hospital. Pray for a clear diagnosis and a quick response to early treatment and full recovery and that she and Keith will know God's faithful love and sovereign care.

### 🕒 5pm Prayer

Please pray for Lowen Sutton's father, David who is having major hip surgery on Monday. May God grant skill to his medical team and a strong recovery to David both post op and during rehab. Pray for Lowen as she supports her dad.

### 🕒 St Andrew's Ministries

Pray for our music ministries, thanking God for those who give of their time to prepare Sunday by Sunday to lead our services as we lift our hearts and voices to God in worship.

## OPEN HOUSE

### 🕒 Sundays 8:00 pm on Hope 103.2FM hosted by Leigh Hatcher

The compelling, uplifting journey of Ann Forgarty, horribly scarred in the Ash Wednesday bushfire 3 decades ago. Today she thanks God for all that He has given her.

Also a classic Aussie couple on the Crocodile Islands, showing how life can take amazing turns – when you pray.

*All that our missionaries  
do in and around their communities*

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# MISSION & AID

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## PARISH OF EAGLE VALE



### 📍 South-western Sydney, NSW

Remember this week the Parish of Eagle Vale in Sydney's south west and Senior Minister Craig Hooper.

Praise God:

That Steve Thurgar the new Student Minister began in January, along with his wife Elly and three daughters Katelin, Bianca and Laura;

For Shane Brownlee, part-time worker commencing 24th February;

For the significant increase in Home Group attendance this year;

That the door has opened at Robert Townson High to do more Scripture this year.

Please pray:

For Steve and his family to continue to settle in well at Eagle Vale, and also at Moore College where Steve has just begun first year;

That Shane will settle well at Eagle Vale, and that the Lord would use him to reach many for Christ in the area, and to equip many at church to help in that task;

That all the people in Home Groups this year, will grow greatly in the Lord, and that through these groups others will come to Christ;

That he would raise up more Scripture teachers, to help take the gospel to the local Primary schools.

*Philippians 1:9-11*

*“And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ – to the glory and praise of God.”*

# SERMON NOTES

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# FINANCIAL GIVING

## ☛ Supporting St Andrew's financially

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God's work at St Andrew's financially  
is via periodic direct deposit.

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