

SHATIN CHURCH

Church On Fire

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The Fruitful Useful
Joyful Life In Jesus

Trinity 4

17th July 2011

We welcome everyone to our service, especially those who are newcomers today. Please make yourself known to us and sign the Welcome Folder which is downstairs on the Welcome Table. We run a Children's program every Sunday - details inside. A room for parents with young children (Rm 4) is available. Please ask an usher if you want to know where these are located. Also you are invited to share Refreshments with us downstairs after the service.

DON'T WORRY

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? - MATTHEW 6:26-27 NIV

THE SHATIN CHURCH VISION

CHURCH ON FIRE

- passionate worshippers
- committed disciples
- an international church making a difference for the Kingdom of God



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www.shatinchurch.org.hk

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17th July 2011

Morning Worship

Greeting & Welcome

David Hunter

Opening Praise

Filled with glory
Live to worship
Here I am to worship
I love You Lord

Robert Rigodon

Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

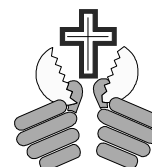
*Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.*

Song

Amazing Love

Declaration of Faith The Apostles Creed

Greeting of Peace



Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Surrender

Reading

Ecclesiastes 11:1-3, 11:10-12:14

Patti Hunter

Announcements

Intercessions

Patti Hunter

Sermon

Enjoying Life!

Thanksgiving Song

Blessing

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Church Lunch today, please joins us downstairs.

HEEWOO'S ARRIVAL!

We continue to pray for Heewoo as he prepares to come to us in August. Pray for him as he concludes his time in London and then spends some time with family in July.

He should arrive in early August and he is scheduled to preach on his first Sunday with us, August 7th. John Menear, the Vicar of St. Andrew's, will be with us on that Sunday to welcome and commission Heewoo together with the church committee.

Please pray for the arrangements for his travel and accommodation that we are in the process of finalizing.



SUMMER SUNDAYS



Due to renovation work in the school we are unable to use the hall for our Sunday services on July 24 & 31 and August 7 & 14.

We will meet on these Sundays in the covered area where we usually serve refreshments.

We are still finalizing arrangements for our children's program and we will have more details next Sunday.

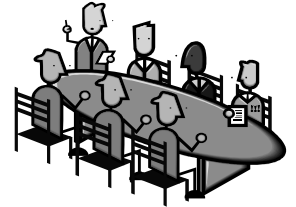
Because of this please note our **church lunch** is moved from July 24 to **July 17**.

Dale's final Sunday and farewell remains on July 24 and Heewoo's first Sunday and commissioning remains on August 7.

Parents also note - please supervise children particularly closely if there is work being done in areas of the school premises, safety is of paramount concern.

SHATIN CHURCH COMMITTEE 2011-2012

The Church Committee are David Chou, David Hunter, Evelyn Yan, Jon Keelty, Matthew Peacock, Paul Fox, Susie Young, and Warren Islip.



A WELCOMING CHURCH?



*Welcome
To our Church*

One of the challenges every church faces is to welcome the guest, the newcomer and the stranger in the name of Jesus. Many of us are encouraged by the warm welcome we receive from friends here at Shatin Church and we thank God for this!

How can we extend this kind of friendship to even more people, especially those who are newcomers? A few suggestions:

1 why not use "The Peace" to greet people you do not know and ask their name? Perhaps set aside one Sunday every month where you will avoid talking to your friends and try to minister encouragement with a warm greeting to someone you have not spoken to before. You could make a point of saying "hello" again at the end of the service and inviting them to join us for refreshments.

2 can you join the team of welcomers or ushers ("greeters") to welcome people on one Sunday a month?

3 can you help our team who serve refreshments after the service?

PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



We are delighted that so many families with young children are part of our worshipping community. During the service we make classroom 4 available for parents and young children under the age of two to use; the service is relayed through loudspeaker and there is at least one person available to help you with the care of your child. We hope this allows a parent to hear what is going on and have some help in caring for their child during the service. This is not as such a “crèche”, as we ask one parent to remain with your child, but we hope it will help us all to benefit as much as possible from our experience of worship at Shatin Anglican Church.

SUMMER MOVES – GOING AND COMING

Over the summer there are always people leaving Hong Kong and moving to Hong Kong. If you will be leaving us this summer please let Dale know so that we can pray for you.

Also, we should all be aware of newcomers to church and the summer is a good time to make an extra effort to welcome people.

Please watch out for people you do not know and greet and welcome them in the name of the Lord.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR PRAYER

Please direct queries to the contact person for the event

Date	Event	Contact Person
24 July	STC Farewell for Dale & Pat	Evelyn Yan evevyan@gmail.com
31 July	STC Family Worship	Lisa Del Favero lisadelfavero@yahoo.com
7 Aug	Heewoo’s first Sunday at STC	Church Office stchurch@shatinchurch.org.hk
1-2 Oct (sleepover)	STC Church Camp at Breakthrough Village	Susie Young susieyoung@hotmail.com
Postponed to a date to be fixed	Evangelism Training by Matt Old [venue to be confirmed]	Julie Groves jgrovesnz@yahoo.com

TYPHOON & STORM – If the Typhoon Signal 8 or the Black Storm Warning is hoisted, all service or meetings at Shatin Anglican Church are cancelled. Please check your radio before setting out for Church in bad weather.



FAMILY WORSHIP 31ST JULY

Our next Family Worship Service will be held on July 31st. It would be great to have as many people as possible take part. Be creative - you could perform a skit, a dance, sing a song, tell a story.. You could also lead a part of the service, like the Greeting of Peace, Confession/Assurance, or being the MC. If you would like to be involved, please contact Lisa Del Favero at lisadelfavero@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing you there!

ALPHA COURSE IN SEPTEMBER

We are planning the next Shatin Church Alpha Course at the beginning of September. If you are available to join the Alpha Team from September - November, please contact Vanaja vanaja.jesudian@gmail.com It is also time to start thinking about who you are going to invite!! The Alpha Course is especially geared to non-believers and new Christians. The best way to encourage your friends to come usually is to attend the course with them. Please support us also with your prayers. Thank you!:-)

NEXT ROSTER

All helpers,

Please kindly let us know if you will be away during 31st July – 4th Sept by 20th July (this Wednesday). Thank you for your faithful service.

REFRESHMENT TEAM – STRONG ARMS NEEDED

We are seeking a strong people (male or female!) for helping our refreshment team members carry the hot water container we use to prepare drinks after the service. If you can help us; please contact Refreshment Team Leader: Carol Wong for details : woncarol@gmail.com

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS AND SINGERS



Calling all musicians and singers!

The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the LORD. **Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the LORD and sang:** "He is good; his love endures forever."

2 Chronicles 5:12-14

Can you sing? Play an instrument? Do you have a heart for worship and service?

If the answer is yes then we would like to encourage you to use your talents and musical gifts in service as part of our vibrant worship team!

If you are interested in joining our growing team of musicians in the worship team we would love to hear from you! Don't hide your talents under a basket – step out in faith and use your God-given abilities in service to Him!

Please contact Robert Rigadon: robrig55@hotmail.com, Paul Fox: paulfox@a.polyu.edu.hk, or Jon Keelty: jkeelty@cais.edu.hk to let us know you are interested so we can provide you with more information!

EVENING WOMEN'S GROUP

MEETS ON MONDAY EVENING

Group in summer holidays. For Further information, please contact Janet Hauser at janhauser@gmail.com for further details.



MA ON SHAN FRIDAY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

MEETS ON FRIDAY EVENING

This fellowship group meets on Fridays from 8:15-10:30pm. We have praise and worship, bible study (adults and kids), prayer and fellowship time during the meeting. For further information, please contact Tracy at leoniecy@yahoo.com.hk.

TAI PO FRIDAY FAMILY SMALL GROUP

MEETS 2 FRIDAYS IN A MONTH

This group meets up two Friday's a month for food, fellowship and study from 5:30-8pm. If you're interested, please contact Tom Kamau (68712100) or Karl Udy (98348593).

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MEETS ON MONDAY EVENING

Every Monday evening a small group of men get together to fellowship and learn more about what it means to be an "Authentic Man". We are starting the third and most exciting chapter in the Men's Fraternity trilogy! This 18-week series is entitled "The Great Adventure" and looks at how we can get back to the plan that God has for us to lead an exciting and purposeful life as men. It is a very rewarding and challenging series. We hope that you can come along and learn more about God's design for us - as well as meeting and getting to know more of your church family!

The venue is the office of "Onoko" - a great informal venue which is a great place to relax and get to know each other.

We would love to invite any men (of any age!!) to join us in learning more about God's plan for us as *real *men!

Location: Onoko Office, 622 Topsail Plaza, 11 On Sum Street, Shek Mun.

Time: 8:00pm - 9:30pm

Email *jonkeelty@hotmail.com* for more information!



PHILIPPINES FELLOWSHIP

The Philippines Fellowship meets Sunday, at 2:00pm for Bible study, fun, fellowship and prayer in room G02. You are welcome to join us! We are studying "Battle of the Mind" by Joyce Myers.

July 17 Chapter 15 Vanaja Jesudian

July 24 Chapter 16 Patti Hunter

July 31 Chapter 17 Lisa and Misha del Favero

KINGDOM KIDS

"Kingdom Kids" Sizzling Summer Program

From the 3rd of July until and including the 14th of August, Shatin church will not be having normal Sunday School. Instead we will be running our fantastic summer programme. Children aged 3 to 11 should go directly to room G02 in the morning instead of joining the adults in the main hall. Room G02 is on the ground floor. During our summer programme we will be making crafts, playing games, singing, doing martial arts and sports, and of course, learning more about GOD!



Please join us, we look forward to seeing you.

For more information, please contact the Children's Ministry coordinator, Marieke Elisabeth Rode-Christoffersen (elisabethpenguins@yahoo.com.ar)

REVELATION WARRIORS

Revelation Warriors is the Sunday Youth Program for 11-14 year old youths at Shatin Church. It is geared toward preparing youths for full participation in the Church community in worship and service. If you are 11-14 years old, come and join the RW's Sunday group meetings. We meet as a small group on the first, third and fourth Sundays, and join the worship service on the second and fifth Sundays of the month. On occasion, we will join the worship service on special Sundays such as Youth Sunday Service or when special speakers are preaching.

July - RW's on summer break till 14th August

Starting from 21st August, we will back to Room 106 for our usual program.

SOLID ROCK

**FOR YOUTH (AGE 11 – 18 OR STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL)
MEETS EVERY SATURDAY**

Come join us in a time of fellowship/worship and chilling at our FoTan venue. Please visit [Facebook.com/solidrock.hk](https://www.facebook.com/solidrock.hk) for more information OR for more information contact David Chou (david.chou@onoko.com) for direction/details about Solid Rock.

**ROCK
SOLID**

OUR UPCOMING SERVICES

Sermon Series: Finding Grace in Unlikely Places

Sunday July 24

Holy Communion

Dale's last Sunday

Romans 11 v33 to 12 v13 "God knows best"

Sunday July 31

"All Age – Church Family Worship"

Sunday August 7

First Sunday with Heewoo Han

– welcome and commissioning by John Menear and the church committee.

OUR GIVING

WE SUPPORT - Please pray for the people and organisations we support with Our Giving:

- 1) Generation Ministries (Asian Children)
- 2) Clarissa Gafoor (Crossroads)
- 3) Christian Action (Domestic Helpers Program)
- 4) Christian Action (Chung King Mansions Service Centre)
- 5) Youth With A Mission (Sports Services International)
- 6) Karl & Amy Udy (Campus Crusade for Christ)
- 7) Shatin International Giving Fund
- 8) African Enterprise
- 9) Lifeway Bible Church Inc
- 10) Dancalan Christian Fellowship
- 11) Carlos Choi (with St. Stephen's Society in Cebu)
- 12) Christian Solidarity Worldwide
- 13) Carol Schrecker (Romanian Gypsies)
- 14) Vacancy
- 15) Entheos – Craig Gibbon



We give away 15% of all offerings to ministries outside of Shatin Church.

1st quarter 2011 Mission Giving for each organisation HK\$6,882- has been sent on 11 Jun 2011.

PRAYERS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

**Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

We pray today that God will indeed keep us in “harmony with His will” .

Thank God that he promises to guide and provide for us in every way and renew your commitment to walk obediently and “in step with Spirit” .

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Pray for the unity, truth, holiness and mission of this and every church in Hong Kong.

Rejoice with “The Vine” who began worship in their new premises “The Vine Centre 2” and pray for St. Andrew's ambitious plans for development as part of the “2020 Vision” of the church.

Pray for the future provision of premises for this church and pray that God will bless richly the weeks this summer we will spend meeting in the covered area. Pray for the adjustments that we will have to make and pray for safety for all of us, especially our children, around the school as work is done.

John 15:5 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. 8 This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

15:9 “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

Continue to pray for this time of transition in the life of Shatin Anglican Church; give thanks to God for all that is good and pray that even better things are to be granted from the hand of God as Heewoo comes to server as Pastor here. Pray for Heewoo as he spends time with his parents prior to moving to Hong Kong. Pray too for Dale and Pat as they move to St. Andrew's – pray particularly for the time of leave they will spend in the UK (flying out late on the 24th after the farewell) – pray that Pat's recovery will continue and she will be safe in the flight and all the travelling involved and pray a special blessing on this time away after her accident.

NOTES FOR OUR SERMON SUNDAY JULY 17TH

ECCLESIASTES 1:1-3, 11:10-12:14

Eccl. 1:1 The words of the Teacher, son of David, king in Jerusalem:

1:2 “Meaningless! Meaningless!”
says the Teacher.

“Utterly meaningless!
Everything is meaningless.”

1:3 What does man gain from all his labor
at which he toils under the sun?

11:10 So then, banish anxiety from your heart
and cast off the troubles of your body,
for youth and vigor are meaningless.

12:1 Remember your Creator
in the days of your youth,
before the days of trouble come
and the years approach when you will say,
“I find no pleasure in them” —

2 before the sun and the light
and the moon and the stars grow dark,
and the clouds return after the rain;
3 when the keepers of the house tremble,
and the strong men stoop,
when the grinders cease because they are few,
and those looking through the windows grow dim;
4 when the doors to the street are closed
and the sound of grinding fades;
when men rise up at the sound of birds,
but all their songs grow faint;
5 when men are afraid of heights
and of dangers in the streets;
when the almond tree blossoms
and the grasshopper drags himself along
and desire no longer is stirred.

Then man goes to his eternal home
and mourners go about the streets.

12:6 Remember him—before the silver cord is severed,
or the golden bowl is broken;
before the pitcher is shattered at the spring,
or the wheel broken at the well,
7 and the dust returns to the ground it came from,
and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

12:8 “Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher.
“Everything is meaningless!”

12:9 Not only was the Teacher wise, but also he imparted knowledge to the people. He pondered and searched out and set in order many proverbs. The Teacher searched to find just the right words, and what he wrote was upright and true.

12:11 The words of the wise are like goads, their collected sayings like firmly embedded nails—given by one Shepherd. Be warned, my son, of anything in addition to them.

Of making many books there is no end, and much study wearies the body.

12:13 Now all has been heard;
here is the conclusion of the matter:

Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the whole [duty] of man.

12:14 For God will bring every deed into judgment,
including every hidden thing,
whether it is good or evil.

Overarching theme – chapter 1 and again chapter 12

“MEANINGLESS” = empty, futile, worthless = VAPOUR

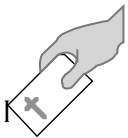
He repeats that “ALL IS VANITY” 38 times which is balanced by the 51 times he talks about “GOOD/GOODNESS” and the 6 times he encourages us to “FEAR GOD”

We get a harsh dose of _____

Face up to life's _____ if lived “UNDER THE SUN”

Accept the _____ so you can _____ it properly

PLANNED GIVING



If you are attending Shatin Church, we encourage you to join in “Planned Giving” (where you receive a number for anonymity and can give by bank transfer or monthly envelope). Those who register for planned giving receive tax receipts at the end of the financial year. If you wish to give to the Lord through the Church Planned Giving Scheme, the forms are on the Welcome Table downstairs. For more information please call the church office or email the Church Treasurer, Kenneth Au on kenaushing@yahoo.com. Cheques should be written to “Shatin Anglican Church”. Planned Giving is tax deductible. Thank you!