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31 JULY / 1 AUGUST 2021

COLLECT

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Father of mankind, who gave your onlybegotten Son to take upon himself the form of a servant and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that. sharing his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen

LECTIONARY READINGS

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35



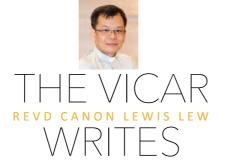
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Deaconesses Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan Auxiliary Deaconess Ds June Tan



s a young nation, Singapore has a lot to give thanks. Most importantly, we need to give thanks for how God has enabled Singapore to significantly impact and influence the nations – either politically, financially, socially or spiritually. We should not take that for granted, for out of the least and weakest, God has chosen this tiny red dot to be a "Light to the Nations." To continue in our role as the beacon of light, three things are needed:

We need to discern the time we are in – This is the second year we scale down the National Day celebration because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Also, for the first time it has to be postponed. The last time Singapore and the world had to go through a much-prolonged suffering was World War II. Even the 2020 Olympic Opening Ceremony in Tokyo was much muted. God has allowed COVID-19 to STOP the world in her pursuit of wealth, power and development for this prolonged period. What is He wanting us to focus on, to realize and/or to learn?

We need to discern our spiritual role – St Andrew's Cathedral is 160 years old. We have since become an icon for tourists, a national heritage and monument, and we are also known as the church in the heart of the city. While we thank God

Blessed 56th Birthday Singapore!



all these wonderful acclamations and credentials, we need to ask the hard question how does God sees us as a church and as a community of disciples? What our spiritual role to the community? As a church, we must not miss God's spiritual purpose for this season. Perhaps, we need to ask ourselves. "Is God bringing about a REBOOT to His church?"

We need to act practically – As we prepare to celebrate this National Day, let's make NDP2021 special for a group of people – our neighbours. The topic on racism has hit our headlines recently, it reminds us of the fault-lines in our society. The shocking death of the young 13 year old RVHS boy, reminds us of our human frailty and vulnerability – mental health challenges. How should we respond? Jesus commanded us – to "LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF" (Matt 22:39). I would like to share one practical way to care for our neighbours. Pray to share with a neighbour (could be your classmate, your colleague



or a family member) – "Thank you for being my neighbour, it has been a tough year, let's press-on together, and we will get through this together!" I am certain that this simple practical expression will bless many abundantly.

Lastly, let's also remember our neighbours who are beyond our shores including our deanery countries – many are battling hard to control the spread of the COVID-19 virus. We need to intercede on their behalf, "Lord have mercy!"

Let's stand together as One People of God in this extremely difficult and trying season – let our light shine brightly as the source of hope for the world for His Glory!

PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

THE WORLD

When the third wave of COVID-19 struck Myanmar, the healthcare system was overwhelmed by the scale of the emergency, as it had to cope with thousands of new infections and rising deaths. Hospitals not only face a shortage of essential drugs and equipment but also medical workers who had stopped work amid the political unrest. Pray for God's merciful intervention to protect and preserve lives and for swift international aid to meet the acute shortage of medical oxygen, essential drugs and equipment. Pray for the alleviation of her people's suffering for political order to be restored in the nation.

SINGAPORE

Pray for the containment of infected cases from the KTV, Jurong Fishery Port and other clusters and for no new clusters to form. Pray for divine wisdom and foresight to guide our government leaders as they balance the need to protect the vulnerable and preserve our healthcare system with the need to revive the economy, safeguard jobs and look after the mental health of our people.

DIOCESE

Pray for our Bishop Titus Chung, Assistant Bishop Low Jee King, Archdeacon Wong Tak Meng, Diocesan Officers, Director of Missions, Diocesan Secretary for Schools, Group CEO for SACS/SAMH Diocesan Office Staff, Synod and heads of Diocesan Boards, that God will guide and direct their steps, anoint and empower them by His Spirit to fulfill their various roles and richly resource them for the work of His Kingdom in our Diocese, for His glory.

Pray for Revd Bertram Cheong and his family as they begin a new journey on 8 August when he is instituted and inducted as Vicar of Chapel of Christ the King. Pray that God will guide his steps, strengthen and fill him with wisdom, for this office and for the chaplaincy of St Margaret's Primary School.

CATHEDRAL

Pray that the team tasked to re-imagine the Welcome Centre, will receive God's divine blueprint for the creative use of this space, to fulfil God's plans for His Church and for the Nation. Pray that the Cathedral will arise to her calling and her destiny in Christ, that many will come to know Christ's love and His saving grace through our communal life and witness.

Finding a Worship Service at the Cathedral

We warmly welcome all to join in our services

In English In Mandarin In other languages Wednesday 12.30pm Saturday 4.30pm, 5.30pm 11.30am 2.30pm (Hokkien) 8.30am (Tamil) 7.30am, 9.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am, 2.30pm (Burmese) Sunday 11.30am, 4.30pm 4.30pm 2.30pm (Cantonese)



Each service is kept to under 1h with a max of 50 worshippers



Serving of Holy Communion is temporarily suspended



Entry is by ticket only. Please join only 1 service per weekend.

Tickets are open for booking at 1pm, 7 days before the service day at cathedral.org.sg/ws



Services in English will be live-streamed at 7.30am (Nave) and 9.30am (CNS) via the St Andrew's Cathedral YouTube channel. Join us at cathedral.org.sg/youtube

Attending a Worship Service at the Cathedral

Please note the various entry points for each venue

by Bus / MRT

NAVE

- SafeEntry check-in at the linkway
- SafeEntry check-in at lift lobby

Enter via Welcome Centre

CNS/PAVILION



by Car / Taxi

All entry points to the Cathedral will open 30 mins before service and close 15 mins after the start of service. • Enter via SRC gate

Enter via MRT Gate

- Park only at the East Lawn carpark (facing Raffles City)
- Drop-off only at the shelter along linkway
- SafeEntry check-in at the linkway

- Enter via SRC gate
- Park only at the lots along the driveway towards Padang or Funan
- Drop-off only at the tent beside the West Porch (near Pavilion)
- SafeEntry check-in at lift lobby

Keeping the Cathedral safe

Please adhere to these safe management measures



Masks are to be worn properly at all times



Strictly no minglling before, during and after the church service



Strictly no crossing of zones and across venues



COING JESUS AND DOING HIS WILL

SERMON SERIES PROM APR - AUG

part one: through the lens of John

JUL 31 / AUG 1

The True Vine

Revd Canon Lewis Lew John 15:1-11

AUG 7/8

The Second Person of the Trinity Revd Christopher Chan John 16:12-15

AUG 14/15

God of Second Chances
Revd Joshua Raj John 21:15-19

Follow us online for weekly reflection questions at https://cathedral.org.sg/knowing

Day of His POWER!

ENGLISH FRIDAY <<< 6 AUGUST 8:00 EVENING MANDARIN
>>> SUNDAY
8 AUGUST

live-streaming via lovesingapore youtube + facebook

KNOWING JESUS AND DOING HIS WILL

part two: through the counsel of Paul

SERMON SERIES FROM AUG - NOV ----

AUG 21/22

Bearing Fruit in Every Good Work
Revd William Chee Col 1:3-10

AUG 29

Strengthened for Joyful Endurance

Ds June Tan Col 1:11-14

SEP 4/5

The Pre-eminence of Christ Revd Canon Lewis Lew Col 1:15-20

SEP 11/12

Unwavering Faith
Revd Christopher Chan Col 1:21-23

SEP 18/19

Suffering for the Gospel Ds Ti Lian Swan Col 1:24-27

SEP 26

Labouring to Build Up the Church Revd Daniel Lim Col 1:28-2:3

OCT 2/3

Rooted and Built Up in Christ Revd Canon Lewis Lew Col 2:4-8 OCT 9/10

Alive in Christ

Revd Christopher Chan Col 2:9-15

OCT 16/17

Transformed from the Inside Out Revd Moses Israeli Col 3:1-17

OCT 23/24

Christian Living as Husband and Wife Revd William Chee Col 3:18-19

OCT 31

Christian Living as Children and Parents Revd Canon Lewis Lew Col 3:20-21

NOV 6/7

Christian Living in Our Place of Work Ds Ti Lian Swan Col 3:22-4:1

NOV 13/14

Open Doors for the Gospel
Revd Christopher Chan Col 4:2-4

NOV 20/21

Wisdom in Our Witness

Ds June Tan / Ds Grace Tan Col 4:5-6

ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER

Paul reminds us that our Lord "is before all things and in him all things hold together" (Col 1:17). Do we struggle to "hold all things" in our life together with the many challenges we face? In our new sermon series "In Christ all Things hold Together" at our Wednesday Service, we will see how the Lord holds our life together amidst many challenges daily.

Wednesday Service, 12.30pm

- Jul 14 He gives Power in Weakness
 Jul 21 He opens the Right Door
 - Jul 28 He gives Rest in Tiredness Aug 4 He gives Life in Death
- Aug 11 He saves from Fear
 Aug 18 He releases from Bondage
 Aug 25 He stands by Us
 - Sep 1 He is our Great High Priest
 Sep 8 He is our Hope of Glory

To register, visit this link: cathedral.org.sg/ws

SPREAD GOD'S LOVE and make a difference!

Outreach opportunities in St Andrew's Cathedral:

- Boys' Brigade Auxiliary Trainer
- Rough Sleeper & Migrant Worker Befrienders
- Outreach Volunteers to Batam



Find out more at

https://cathedral.org.sg/page/get-involved

40.day2021

FROM THE GROUND UP

hink Nehemiah. What comes to mind? He rallies the remnant of Israel and rebuilds the wall of Jerusalem in the face of incredible opposition. An amazing achievement of faith, unity, and perseverance! Relatively speaking, however, the wall of stone was the easier part. Nehemiah finished it in 52 days. Only then did his greatest work begin: the reformation of Israel postexile.

Nehemiah spent the next 12 to 15 years of his life rebuilding the spiritual walls of Israel from the ground up. This was his great and lasting work. This is what he wanted to be remembered for. Not the

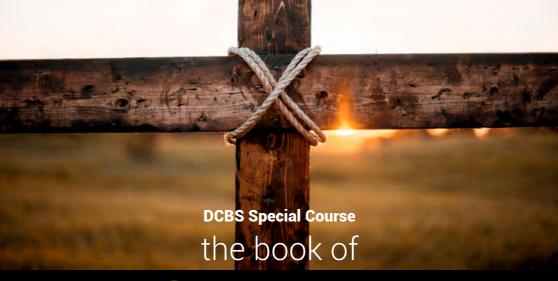
physical wall. But his faithfulness to duty (NEH 13:29-31).

From the Ground Up is the theme of this year's 40.Day prayer and fasting season. As we envision the new norm post-COVID it's time to rethink Nehemiah—the man, the mandate. the message.

Please begin now by reading both Ezra and Nehemiah. These are one book in the Hebrew Bible. As you read, prepare your heart. Consecrate July 1st to August 9th as a season of seeking God. Together, in prayer and fasting, let us strengthen the walls of faith, hope, and love in the Singapore Church.

PRAYER GUIDE

- Both the English and Mandarin editions will be published online at the 40.Day 2021 website: www.lovesingapore.org.sg/40day/2021
- You may access the prayer entries one day at a time starting from 0001Hr on Thursday, July 1.



ISAIAH

The Book of Isaiah is a book about God's people living in their inconsistencies and contradictions in a real and dangerous world dominated by hostile and destructive powers and nations. In the light of these realities and subsequent exile, how would they survive?

In this study of Isaiah and applying it to our lives today, we will be looking at the God who is present and judges, the God who will come and save and the God who will establish his kingdom forever where "the wolf and the lamb shall graze together."



Revd William Chee is presently the Lay Training Coordinator for the Diocese, coordinating the development of biblical, theological and ministry training courses for the laity of the Diocese. Instructor: Revd William Chee

Dates: 2, 9, 16, 30 October 2021 (4 Saturdays)

Time: 9am - I Iam (via Zoom)

Fee: S\$10 per participant

Registration details available **HERE**

Closing date of registration: 30 September 2021

Job Opportunities

St Andrew's Cathedral is looking for suitable candidates to fill the following positions:

- Youth Ministry Pastor
- Children Ministry Pastor

Details of the job roles may be found at https://cathedral.org.sg/r/jobs

Salary will commensurate with qualifications and work experience. Interested candidates may submit your updated resume, expected salary and notice period to hr@cathedral.org. sg. Only shortlisted applicants will be notified. Closing date: 15 August 2021

For job opportunities in the Anglican Diocese, please go to https://www.anglican.org.sg/page/recruitment







COVID19: WHERE ARE WE HEADED?

A CONVERSATION WITH PROF. PAUL ANANTH TAMBYAH



COVID19 has completely upended our lives and created much fear and uncertainty.

Do join us for this Zoom conversation with Prof Ananth Tambyah on COVID19 and what it holds for the future of the nation and the Church. Prof Tambyah is an internationally respected Infectious Diseases expert who in June 2020 became president-elect of the renowned International Society for Infectious Diseases, the first Singaporean to ever hold that position. This Zoom conversation will be held at <u>7pm on Thursday</u>, <u>5 August 2021</u> and will be moderated by A/Prof. Joseph

Thambiah, Chairman of the St. Andrew's Cathedral Healthcare Fellowship.

Please register at https://u3l.short.gy/sachealthtalk

You will be sent a link with instructions via email. You are encouraged to send any questions that you may have ahead of time to SACHFhealthtalk@gmail.com

Do also look out for our other health talks in the "Conversations in Health" series which will be conducted every 2 months.

STAY CONNECTED

with the Cathedral

Word Study & Discussion with the Pastors



If you are missing church life and wish to stay connected with the community during this period, we welcome you to join ONE of these ZOOM meetings with our pastors to be refreshed as we get into the Bible and discuss the weekly sermons.

UPPER ROOM

Sat 10am

To Join, click **HERE**

THE EARLY RISERS

Sun 6.30 am Pre-Service Prayer **8.35am** Zoom Meeting To Join, click <u>HERE</u>

SOJOURNERS

Sun 11.00am To Join, click <u>HERE</u>

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Morning (Office

Be shaped, edified and cleansed by developing a daily pattern and rhythm of life through the Psalms, Prayers and the Word of God. Join the morning office daily (Mon to Fri) 7.30am to 7.50am via:

> Zoom Link to attend the Morning Office: http://bit.ly/mo-zm

YouTube for Morning Office: cathedral.org.sg/r/morning

We encourage members to gather for this daily office and grow in their spiritual formation.

SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022

This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building that have succumbed environmental wear and tear. The Restoration Works will involve plastering and re-painting of interior and exterior walls, timber carpentry, stone works, metal works, electrical works, plumbing and roof works. The Project is expected to take 3 years. The cost of \$6million will be paid out from the Cathedral Heritage Fund (CHF) set up to fund this Project as well as future heritage and building works.

HOW TO GIVE

Cheques – Pay to "St Andrew's Cathedral". Write "Heritage Fund" on the reverse side and include your name and mailing address.

Online transfer

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral

Account Number:

DBS Autosave 033-019550-8

PayNow:

Heritage Fund UEN - T08CC4055LHF1

The CHF, as of 27 July 2021:

From English Congregation: \$1.2m

From Mandarin Congregation: \$1.2m

Grant from Preservation of

Sites & Monuments Board: \$0.98m

Donations pledged/received

from SAC members/friends: \$1.70m

Balance to be raised: \$0.92m

GIVE tithes and offerings



2 WAYS TO GIVE



Cheques

Online

Internet Banking

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-903411-8

PayNow

PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C UEN: T08CC4055LT01

For tithes and general offerings

You may indicate the Service you attend and/ or Tithing number (if any) under remarks or reference.

For other specific donations

(eg. Welfare, Missions, etc)

You may indicate the purpose of your donation (eg. Welfare, Missions, etc.) under remarks or reference. For donations with no indication, it will be treated as general offering. Please email finance@cathedral.org.sg if you require clarification.

Receipts will not be issued for on-line givings.

Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

On the reverse side of the cheque, you may indicate your Tithing number (if any).

For specific donations

On the reverse side of the cheque, please indicate the purpose of your donation eg. Restoration Works, Welfare, Missions, etc. If you would like a receipt, please write your name and mailing address.

Cheques can be mailed to St Andrew's Cathedral, 11 St Andrew's Road, Singapore 178959

