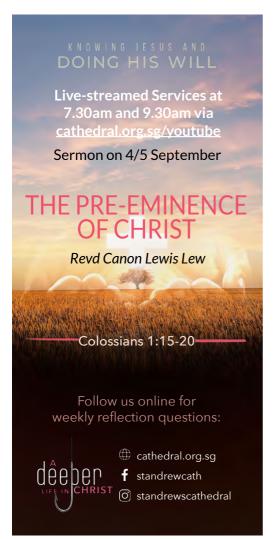


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**4/5 SEPTEMBER 2021** 

#### COLLECT **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER** TRINITY

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 James 2:1-17 Mark 7:24-37



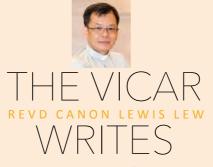
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Deaconesses Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan Auxiliary Deaconess Ds June Tan



his weekend, we are making an important transition into Stage 1 of being more COVID-resilient as a church, beginning with 50 worshippers across all our services. There are new adjustments to make and new procedures to follow as we gather on-site for services. Please be patient with our lay volunteers as they are also adjusting to the new safety guidelines required by the authority. Let's work together to keep Cathedral safe and conducive for worship.

It is no secret that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted churches, and by churches, I mean us—the people of God. How are you holding up spiritually and psychologically?

I am sure none of us have it easy. Some of you have shared with me your concern about the impending retrenchment exercise in your company, and some of you are missing and concerned for your loved ones who are based overseas. Still, I am aware that some of you have lost family members to COVID-19 and are grieving. We share your pain and grieve.

How are we to get through this tough and challenging season? The author of Hebrews shares some important instructions:

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near" (Hebrews 10:23-25).

This is one passage that does not require much explanation. However, I just want to point out that when the author penned these words, he had the disciples in the early church in mind. The disciples would usually band-together as a small community. I want to suggest to you, the only way we can get through this tough and challenging season is for us to hope in God, and to band-together as a community of faith. Whether as a family, or cell group, or with a few fellow church members, let's band-together to encourage one another and to spur one another on.

Lastly, we need to urgently step-up our prayers—As believers, we are told in Hebrews 4:16 "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

In particular, the nation Afghanistan needs our prayers. I would like to ask each of you to take time to pray for peace in Afghanistan and for the displaced refugees. Let's all join at

the throne of grace and lift up the situation in Afghanistan to our Lord, and King.



# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### **THE WORLD**

Pray for the World Health Organization as they monitor and study the various new COVID-19 mutations. Pray that these studies to yield results which will enable global scientists to find effective ways to counter the viruses' transmissibility possible resistance and to known vaccines. Pray for continued collaboration among world leaders and for the release of sufficient resources to support the concerted fight against COVID-19. Pray for God's merciful intervention in the many countries which have been affected by political upheavals, natural disasters and rampant COVID-19 infections, that humanitarian aid will reach the people in time and lives will be preserved. Pray that in the increasing darkness, many will come to know Christ and find hope in Him.

**SINGAPORE** 

Pray for continued vigilance as Singapore plans to reopen her borders; for quick action and necessary adjustments to increase safety measures, as may be needed, to avoid a resurgence of COVID-19 infections. Pray for divine favour to preserve Singapore's status as a business hub; that we may remain attractive to foreign investors and local companies will be enabled to pivot into new markets and thrive in the new economy. Pray for fault-lines in our national life to be sensitively addressed and for help to be extended to every needy sector of

society, that Singapore will continue to become a more inclusive and caring nation.

#### **DIOCESE**

#### **Chapel of Christ the Redeemer**

Pray for divine wisdom and God's presence to guide the Vicar Revd Victor Teo, priest-in -charge of the Chinese congregation Revd Lim Kek Wah and their staff, as they shepherd the flock in Chapel of Christ the Redeemer. Pray that the Church will grow deeper in intimacy with God, in brotherly love for one another, in fervent service and in zealous witness; for the ongoing Alpha Course, that the invited guests will know and encounter Christ. Pray also that the chaplaincy work in St Hilda's Primary and Secondary Schools will continue to be effective and that the light of Christ will shine through in every heart.

#### **CATHEDRAL**

#### **Onsite Services**

Pray for our staff and service personnel to efficiently organize the safe entry of worshippers at our various onsite services; for smooth and speedy transition between services in compliance with all safe management measures and for God's divine presence to fill the Cathedral as His people gather to worship Him and to exalt His Name.

#### Children's Baptism Course (7-9 Sept 2021)

Pray for the children to grasp the spiritual truths taught during the course and to receive the Kingdom of God with childlike faith; for God's anointing and wisdom to be upon the instructor and small group teachers, that

they may impart the doctrines of the faith with clarity. Pray also for the Holy Spirit to do a mighty work in the hearts of the children throughout the 3 days.

#### COVID-19 - TRANSITION OUT OF PHASE 2HA

# 2-stage transition to a **COVID-resilient Cathedral**

Starting from 4th September, the Cathedral will begin Stage 1 of the transition with the running of 2 types of services, capped at 50 worshippers each.

Services	<b>Stage 1</b> (from 4 Sep 2021)			Stage 2
Sat 2.30 pm (Hokkien)	Open to all persons	Pavilion	50 pax	Maximum capacity from <b>2 October 2021</b> More details will be provided in due time
Sat 5.30 pm (English)				
Sun 8.30 am (Tamil)				
Sun 2.30 pm (Myanmar)		CNS		
Sat 4.00 pm	Open to persons who are vaccinated	CNS	50 pax	
Sun 7.30 am 😥		Nave		
Sun 9.30 am 😥		CNS		
Sun 11.30 am		Nave		
Sun 4.30 pm		Nave		
Wed 12.30 pm		Nave		



On-site Holy Communion services will resume (twice a month)

Nave (1st and 3rd Sunday)
 CNS (2nd and 4th Sunday)



Entry to each service is by ticket only. Please exercise care as you select the service to attend. Tickets are open for booking at 1pm, 7 days before the service day at cathedral.org.sg/ws



Live-streamed services will continue on Sunday 7.30am and 9.30am at cathedral.org.sg/youtube

# 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

• Sep 8 He is our Hope of Glory

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

# BIBLICAL STUDIES

TERM 4: 9 SEPT-4 NOV, THURS 7:30PM-9:00PM (via Zoom)

**MODULE 3** OLD TESTAMENT

### The Former Prophets

Joshua, Judges, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings

#### Instructors

Revd Dr Joshua Sudharman (SPH), Ds Grace Tan (SAC), Ms Veron Wong (SAC) **MODULE 10** NEW TESTAMENT

## **Pauline Epistles**

Romans & Galatians

#### Instructors

Revd Peter Chen (SJC), Revd Daniel Lim (SAC), Ms Vivien Chen (SAC)



#### Register at cathedral.org.sg/dcbs

**Course Fee**: \$10 per module (payable via online modes or crossed cheques made payable to St Andrew's Cathedral)

# 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 25/26

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 30/31

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

**NOV 6/7** 

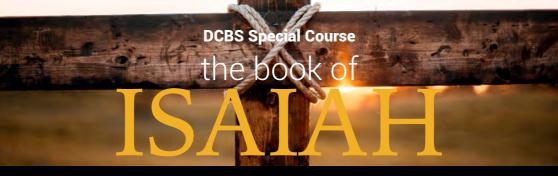
Christian Living in Our Place of Work

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 Col 4:5-6



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 s ubsequent 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."



Instructor: Revd William Chee

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

Time: 9am – 1 I am (via Zoom)

Fee: \$\$10 per participant

Registration details available **HERE** 

Closing date of registration: 30 September 2021

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.



#### **Job Opportunities**

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

- Youth Ministry Pastoral Staff/Pastor
- Children Ministry Pastoral Staff/Pastor
- Administration & Programme Executive
   St Andrew's Cathedral Home

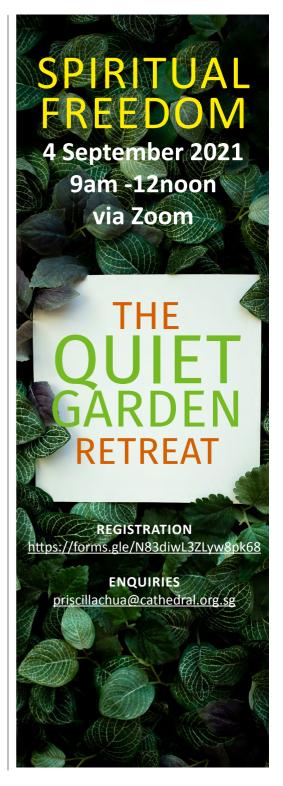
Details of the job roles may be found at <a href="https://cathedral.org.sg/r/jobs">https://cathedral.org.sg/r/jobs</a>

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: 5 September 2021

For job opportunities in the Anglican Diocese, please go to <a href="https://www.anglican.org.sg/page/recruitment">https://www.anglican.org.sg/page/recruitment</a>





## 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 HERE

#### **SOJOURNERS**

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

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#### **UPDATING OF CONTACT DETAILS**

If you are a baptised/confirmed member of St Andrew's Cathedral, we wish to stay connected with you and invite you to update your contact details held in the SAC records at <a href="https://cathedral.org.sg/update-membership.or">https://cathedral.org.sg/update-membership.or</a> by scanning the QR code.

Stay connected with us by using these social media and communication channels.







Do you long for greater awareness of God's presence in your life? Is your desire for a more intimate relationship with God?

Find out how a sixteenth century spirituality can help you deepen your faith life.

# **FALLING IN LOVE WITH GOD**

AN INTRODUCTION TO IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

25 September 2021 (Saturday) 10.00 – 11.30am St Andrew's Cathedral (via Zoom)



#### **ABOUT THE PRESENTER**

Anthony Siow is a spiritual director trained in the Ignatian tradition. Like Peter, Anthony left behind an illustrious advertising career to follow God's call to cast the net elsewhere. Making use of his skills and creativity in advertising, Anthony incorporates the arts into his work as spiritual and retreat director. He conducts such retreats regularly, and is an adjunct lecturer at the Biblical Graduate School of Theology (BGST), where he mentors students on Ignatian spirituality and also provides spiritual formation in a leadership course. Anthony also leads silent retreats to Thailand and Australia.



## **CPM Covid Operation Report**



in Myanmar passed on during this wave of COVID-19. The needs for humanitarian aid. and managing the psychological well-being among the youth are great. However, CPM will face these situations with courage. knowing that we are not alone and we have friends, brothers, and sisters like you, the Diocese of Singapore."

The country of Myanmar is struggling with the latest wave of COVID-19 in the midst of political unrest, economic instability, and the collapse of the local healthcare system. The Church of the Province of Myanmar (CPM) made up of 6 dioceses and 2 mission dioceses is facing the stress of rising number

of clergymen and members coming down with COVID-19. Most recently. the Archdeacon Judson Win Nanda Htun of the Yangon Diocese passed away from COVID-19 on 28 August 2021.

Under such dire circumstances, the Diocese of Singapore (DOS) extended support by procuring and providing supplies of oxygen, medicines and their related equipment. A total of 7 medical-grade oxvgen concentrators. 20 pieces of forty-litre oxygen cylinders and 80 oximeters were distributed to all eight dioceses of CPM with the support of volunteers serving daily in shifts throughout the day to ensure the supplies were distributed promptly. The Archbishop, Stephen Than Myint Oo managed the entire operations and communications.



Archbishop Stephen expressed his utmost

thanks to DOS in a statement. "More than 250 pastors and priest across the Church





Centre left: Archdeacon Judson Win Nandar Htun

Centre right: 20 Oxygen Cylinders (40L) with flowmeters and Oximeters from DOS



# 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 4 August 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: \$1.71m

Balance to be raised: \$0.91m

# GIVE tithes and offerings



2 WAYS TO GIVE



### **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 <a href="mailto:finance@cathedral.org.sg">finance@cathedral.org.sg</a> 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

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