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4/5 DECEMBER 2021

KNOWING JESUS AND
DOING HIS WILL

Live-streamed Services at
7.30am and 9.30am via
cathedral.org.sg/youtube

Sermon on 4/5 Dec


PREPARING THE WAY FOR CHRIST


Revd Canon Lewis Lew


Luke 3:1-6

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COLLECT

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

LECTIONARY READINGS

Malachi 3:1-4

Philippians 1:3-11

Luke 3:1-6



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Deaconesses Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan

Auxiliary Deaconess Ds June Tan



Second Sunday of Advent 5 December 2021

Advent refers to the coming of Christ.

The church remembers the first Advent as described in Luke 1, culminating in Jesus' birth, and we look for His coming in glory, Jesus' second coming, with great anticipation.

In the church calendar, we set aside the four Sundays before Christmas to focus on this coming of Jesus.

The liturgical colour for Advent is purple which signifies royalty, suffering and repentance – themes which are revisited at Lent.

The Advent Wreath contains five candles and is placed on the Communion table in the Sanctuary as a visual reminder to us that the Lord will surely come again. He came the first time to save us from our sins and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. He will take charge as the King of kings and His kingdom will have no end.

On the second Sunday of Advent, the second purple candle (which represents Peace) is lit.

“And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.” (Colossians 3:15, ESV)

Follow us on Instagram/Facebook or subscribe to our WhatsApp broadcast (see page 15) to receive your daily dose of Advent preparation



THE VICAR

REVD CANON LEWIS LEW

WRITES

*"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!" (ESV, Psalm 46:10)*

We are living in challenging times. The pandemic and the effects of COVID-19 have brought about great social, psychological, and spiritual impacts on individuals and families. One huge way in which COVID-19 has impacted us is in the area of mental health—reports of mental wellness revealed that more are seeking help, and even our young are not spared. Yet, God wants us to be still before Him in this season of great turmoil even as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and to receive the new year.

It is important to realise that the posture of stillness before the Lord is not withdrawal, running away, or defeat. Instead the posture of stillness is to acknowledge the authority of our Lord over all matters in heaven and on earth. It is also a posture of acknowledging that Jesus Christ is the Lord of our lives and in Him we will overcome all challenges including the COVID-19 pandemic. For that reason, the Lord declared in Psalm 46 – *"I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"*

Many of us will be clearing our annual leave this December. I would like to encourage you to spend some personal, unhurried time, to be still in the Lord's presence to seek His face and to once again acknowledge His sovereignty over our lives and church. May you find new joy and renewed strength in this season of Advent.

A few things will be taking place in December. We will gradually increase our seating capacity for our onsite services in preparation for Christmas, and we will also be ramping up our evangelistic effort within the confine of safety measures, to proclaim the Good News of Great Joy!

I am heartened to hear how quickly the Cathedral members have signed up to support the Adopt-a-Block this Christmas (ABC) initiative in Bukit Merah in various ways. If you have missed signing up for ABC, it is still not too late to invite your pre-believing friends to attend our Christmas services, especially the Christmas evangelistic service on 26 Dec onsite. You can also invite them to join in the live-streamed service with you in your homes and to celebrate Christmas over a simple meal (within the SMM guidelines).

Lastly, we will end the year together to renew our commitment to the Lord as a family, at our Covenant Service on 31 Dec (onsite and online). I will also be sharing what the Lord has laid on the hearts of the church leadership for the coming year. Please don't miss this important time as a Cathedral family. Information of all our services are available on our website: <https://cathedral.org.sg/goodnews>

Wishing you in advance a Blessed Christmas & New Year!

PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

THE WORLD

Pray for wisdom and calm to prevail as the World Health Organization, government leaders, scientists and health authorities work together to assess the impact of the Omicron coronavirus variant and determine what actions should be taken, such as increasing safety measures, vaccinations, travel bans and closure of borders, to contain the spread of this variant. Pray also for a more equitable distribution of vaccines across the globe to reduce the chances of the virus mutating.

SINGAPORE

Pray for our government leaders as they monitor and evaluate data on the Omicron variant and decide on the best possible response to the new variant. Pray for necessary and timely adjustments to be made to our border and domestic measures, to reduce the risk of importing the virus and keep Singapore safe.

DIOCESE

Chapel of Christ the Redeemer

Pray for the Vicar of Chapel of Christ the Redeemer, Revd Victor Teo, priest-in-charge of the Chinese congregation Revd Lim Kek Wah, and staff, to have divine wisdom and insight as they shepherd the flock and reach out to their communities. Pray for the principals of St Hilda's Primary and Secondary Schools, as they plan for and lead their staff as well as students into a new academic year.

CATHEDRAL

Christmas evangelistic outreaches

Pray that Cathedral members will be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit and be ready to seize every open door to share the gospel with family, friends and colleagues during the Christmas season.

Project Khmer H.O.P.E. (PKH) Cambodia

Pray for the staff and students to be ready for the reopening of PKH and for the new intake of students in the 2022 academic year. Pray for continued good collaboration with the Cambodian government and for graduates to find suitable jobs in these difficult times.





Services in the Cathedral

Open to all persons

Sat 5.30 pm (English)	Pavilion	50 pax
Sun 8.30 am (Tamil)		

 Open to persons who are vaccinated

Sat 4.00 pm	CNS	100 pax
Sun 7.30 am 	Nave	
Sun 9.30 am 	CNS	
Sun 10.00 am* (Hokkien)	Online	
Sun 11.30 am	Nave	
Sun 2.30 pm (Myanmar)	CNS	
Sun 4.30 pm	Nave	
Wed 12.30 pm	Nave	



On-site Holy Communion services will be held at:

- Nave (1st and 3rd Sunday)
- CNS (2nd and 4th Sunday)
- Pavilion – English 5.30pm (Last Sat), Tamil 8.30am (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



These services will be live-streamed at cathedral.org.sg/youtube

In view of the government's advisory for seniors 60 years and above to refrain from attending religious activities, Hokkien Worship Service will continue to be held online at cathedral.org.sg/youtube

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KNOWING JESUS AND DOING HIS WILL

A
deeper
LIFE IN CHRIST

through the Preparation of His Return

THE FINAL PART OF THE SERMON SERIES

NOV 27 & 28

Ready for Christ's Return

Revd Daniel Lim Luke 21:25-36

DEC 11 & 12

Bearing Good Fruit

Revd Christopher Chan Luke 3:7-18

DEC 4 & 5

Preparing the Way for Christ

Revd Canon Lewis Lew Luke 3:1-6

DEC 18 & 19

God's Promise Fulfilled

Revd Joshua Raj Luke 1:39-45

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Our Lord Jesus asks a profound and deep question.

WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

To know Jesus is to
deepen our understanding
and relationship with our
Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday 12.30pm
Service in the Nave.

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

- Dec 1** Power and Wisdom of God
- Dec 8** Strength and Contentment in Him
- Dec 15** The Authentic Gospel
- Dec 22** Hope and Praise in Him

Good News

OF GREAT JOY

AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

Tickets to on-site services open for booking at 1pm, 7 days before the service!

SUN, 19 DEC • 7.30 PM
Lessons & Carols



FRI, 24 DEC • 10.30 PM
Christmas Eve

THE DAWN
FROM ON HIGH

Bishop Titus Chung



SAT, 25 DEC • 11 AM
Christmas Day
The Father's Business
Revd William Chee

SUN, 26 DEC • 7.30 & 9.30 AM
Christmas Sunday
Good News of Great Joy
Revd Christopher Chan

* No 11.30 am and 4.30 pm services

Christ the Saviour is born!

Celebrate with us on-site or via live-stream!



“
Behold, I am making
ALL THINGS NEW

FRI, 31 DEC • 10.30 PM
New Year's Eve
Revd Canon Lewis Lew

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And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

LUKE 2:10-11



Good News

OF GREAT JOY

AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

An evangelistic outreach for the Cathedral family to
bring the good news to your friends and family

THE CHRISTMAS INVITATION

SUN 26 DEC 2021, 9.30 AM

CATHEDRAL NEW SANCTUARY
with live-streaming



Inspiring testimony by
Raymond Tan



Sharing the Good News by
Revd Chris Chan

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

1. Download the invitation at cathedral.org.sg/goodnews
2. Pray for 10 names to send the invitation
3. Host them at your home/ CG or invite them to SAC
by booking tickets from 1 pm , 19 Dec



Good News

OF GREAT JOY
AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

LESSONS & CAROLS



Did you know?

The tradition of Nine Lessons and Carols is popularly associated with King's College, Cambridge. However the original service was held in a wooden shed, which then served as the cathedral in Truro, on Christmas Eve 1880.

The Nine lesson readings tell of God's redemptive purpose by recounting the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah and fulfilment of the promise with the birth of Jesus from the book of Genesis to the Gospels

The worship service is interspersed with singing of Christmas carols, hymns and choral music to give space for worshippers to contemplate and be hopeful in God's redemptive plan in the midst of darkness and worldly mess.

**Come with your friends and loved ones to hear
and receive the good news of great joy for all peoples!**

Organised by St Andrew's Cathedral Senior Members' Fellowship

CHRISTMAS *Rendezvous*

Senior Members' Fellowship Christmas Celebration

with SACH Clementi, SACHWS, St Mary's Cathedral KL,
St Paul's Church Penang, Dual Blessing Johor,
Harpsody of Praise Singapore & SAC Silver Strings.

Thurs 23 Dec 2021, 10am

via Zoom

Please register by 22 December 2021:

email to davidng@cathedral.org.sg or WhatsApp 98332786

Anglican Lay Training, St Peter's Hall

Diocesan Theological Studies

Topic: Doctrine of God the Father

Lecturers: Revd William Chee and Team

Dates: 11, 18, 25 Jan, 8, 15, 22 Feb,

1, 8 Mar (Tuesdays) 2022

Time: 7.30-9.30 pm

Cost: \$20 Sessions are via Zoom

To register, email Ms Lucilla Teoh at lucillateoh.dts@gmail.com



Next GEN MINISTRY

The NextGen Ministry brings together the Children Ministry, Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry with the aim of building up every child towards spiritual maturity as he/she grows from a toddler into adulthood.

2022 Children Ministry Programme (18 months – 14 years)

Ministry	Level	Day	Time	Mode
Shalom Friends	6 to 16* years	Saturday	2.30pm	Online
CITYKids	Preschool		4.00pm	
FaithKids 1	Primary 1 to 6	Sunday	10.30am	
FaithKids 2	Secondary 1 & 2		11.00am	

* Shalom Friends reaches out to children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Due to the nature of the ministry, Shalom Friends will cater for youths up to 16 years old.

Enroll your child into the Children Ministry 2022 programme by 31 Dec at <https://form.jotform.com/SACMembership/CMRegForm>

Register your interest to serve with the Children Ministry at <https://cathedral.org.sg/CMvolunteer>

2022 Youth Ministry Programme (15 – 30 years)

Ministry	Day	Time	Venue	Mode
Youth Service	Sunday	1.30pm	Prayer Halls	Onsite
Monthly Youth Prayer & Praise	Last Saturday of the month	6.00pm		

The Youth Service will start from 2 Jan 2022. Tickets will be made available for booking at the SAC website.

2022 Young Adult Ministry Programme (21 – 35 years)

The Young Adult ministry will meet once every quarter for programmes e.g. talks, forums, workshops etc. The goal is to foster deeper friendship and strengthen faith-life integration. Special events will also be organised to encourage young adults to serve the needy and reach the lost.

To find out more about the NextGen ministry, visit the website at cathedral.org.sg/nextgen or email nextgen@cathedral.org.sg

DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

ONLINE

TERM 1: 6 JAN – 17 MAR 2022
THURSDAYS, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

OLD TESTAMENT

Overview of the Old Testament

MODULE 1A 6 JAN (1 SESSION)

*Bible Origins, The Hebrew Canon,
The World of the OT*

INSTRUCTOR

Ms Vivien Chen (SAC)

The Minor Prophets

MODULE 5 13 JAN - 10 MAR

*Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah,
Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah,
Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi*

EXAM: 26 MAR

INSTRUCTORS

Ps Angeline Leong (MSC), Ps Wendy Yong (COR),
Ms Brenda Goh (SJSM), Mr Cheong Mun Sang (SAC),
Dr Gilbert Tan (SAC)

NEW TESTAMENT

Overview of the New Testament

MODULE 1B 6 JAN (1 SESSION)

*Bible Origins, The New Testament Canon,
The Socio-Political World of the NT*

INSTRUCTOR

Mr Keith Leong (SAC)

Corinthians

MODULE 11 13 JAN - 17 MAR

Kindly note that this module comprises
10 lessons and the first 6 lessons will be
conducted from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

1 & 2 Corinthians

EXAM: 26 MAR

INSTRUCTORS

Ds Bessie Lee,
Mrs Michelle Tan (TWPC)

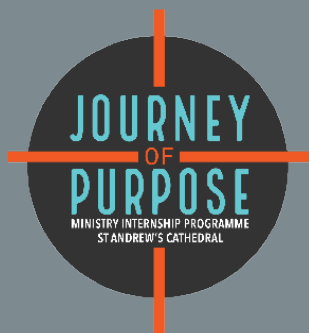


Register at cathedral.org.sg/dcbs

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

You've enjoyed much success and happy where you are,
yet wonder if there is more to life.

Are you searching for your purpose and meaning in life?



Come and embark on this **JOURNEY OF PURPOSE**, a 40-week personal and intentional journey of intimacy with Jesus, **starting 1 March 2022**, with supporting mentors and guidance from our pastors and lay leaders.

More information can be found at **JOURNEY OF PURPOSE** or at the **Q&A session on 18 December, 10.30am - 12noon**. Sign up [here](#).

Open to members of St Andrew's Cathedral only.

He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. Isaiah. 40:11

MEMBER CARE

M I N I S T R Y

Come January 2022,

the Cathedral will launch into a renewed church-wide effort to care for members.

Whether you are elderly, young, a family, divorced or separated, sick, bereaved, or simply facing immense challenges, you can come to us.

To find out more about this exciting new ministry, follow the link below.

Can you help us?

If you have the calling and passion to care for others, and can commit to serve in one of our care teams, come join us! Find out more by following this link:

<https://cathedral.org.sg/care>

How can we help you?

If you want the ministry to reach out to you, do write or call us at:

membercare@cathedral.org.sg

Tel: 6337 6104



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
Meeting resumes on 11 Dec

THE EARLY RISERS
Sun 6.30 am Pre-Service Prayer
8.35am Zoom Meeting
To Join, click [HERE](#)

SOJOURNERS Sun 9.30am
To Join, click [HERE](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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



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 <https://cathedral.org.sg/update-membership> or by scanning the QR code.

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.

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



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- 2 Text 'Subscribe' to the number above

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REPORT ON THE NAVE RESTORATION PROJECT

In 2019, the AGM approved a major restoration of the Cathedral Nave, covering the plaster and painting of the external and internal walls of the main building and transepts, various repairs and electrical works. Since then, over \$5,000,000 has been raised towards the restoration. In June 2021, Cathedral appointed the contractor to undertake the works, which will start in January 2022 and take up to 12 months.

After considering the health and safety of the congregation and challenges to maintaining sanctity of worship under restoration conditions, the PCC together with the Mandarin Congregation Church Council (CC) decided to close the Nave during the restoration works.

The PCC and CC considered alternative sites for worship services. Some options involve significant costs, and possible continued restrictions to on-site worship due to COVID-19 added uncertainty. The PCC and CC working together, decided to exercise financial prudence, and use existing Cathedral facilities for worship services during the Nave closure.

We have sought to maximise the number of worshippers who can safely attend our onsite services, and we are pleased to announce that based on current Safe Management Measures we will be able to welcome up to 200 worshippers for each service in the Pavilion and the Cathedral New Sanctuary. Details of the alternative worship venues for 2022 may be found online, at <https://cathedral.org.sg/events/single/nave-restoration-project>

You may want to check out the **Frequently Asked Questions** on the webpage. If you have questions that are not answered in the FAQs, you may email your questions to nave_restoration@cathedral.org.sg.

The CHF, as of 1 December 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:	\$2.63m
Balance to be raised:	-

GIVE

tithes and offerings



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.

2 WAYS TO GIVE



Cheques

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

FOR THE HERITAGE FUND

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