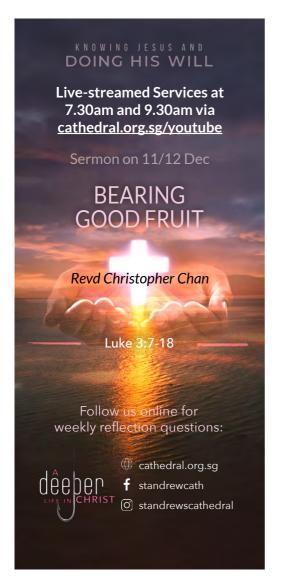


# ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

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11/12 DECEMBER 2021

### COLLECT THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people for the coming of your Son: inspire the ministers and stewards of your truth to turn our disobedient hearts to the law of love: that when he comes again in glory, we may stand with confidence before him as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### LECTIONARY READINGS

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18



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Bishop of Singapore and Dean Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Vicar Revd Canon Lewis Lew

Clergy Revd Christopher Chan, Revd William Chee, Revd Moses Israeli, Revd Daniel Lim, Revd Joshua Rai Auxiliary Clergy Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay, Revd Soon Soo Kee

Deaconesses Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan

Auxiliary Deaconess Ds June Tan



### Third Sunday of Advent 12 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 third Sunday of Advent, the rose-coloured candle (which represents Joy) is lit.

"For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you will break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands." (Isaiah 55:12, ESV)

Follow us on Instagram / Facebook to receive your daily dose of Advent preparation

# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### **THE WORLD**

Pray for South Africa as the Omicron coronavirus variant pushes the country into a fourth wave of COVID-19 cases. Omicron appeared to be the primary cause of new cases in most of the country's nine provinces. Pray for increase in hospital facilities, adequate medical supplies and healthcare workers to attend to those who have been infected. Pray also for South Africa's accessibility to vaccines.

#### **SINGAPORE**

Pray for our government to be guided by divine wisdom as they remain vigilant in safeguarding Singapore against any internal or external threats. Pray for good international relations and steady economic recovery. Pray for renewed strength and perseverance to manage the volatile COVID-19 situation; for the preservation of jobs, for the mental health of our elderly and young and for strong social cohesion to overcome our nation's many challenges on various fronts.

#### **DIOCESE**

### **Light of Christ Church, Woodlands**

Pray for the Vicar Revd William Tham, staff and leaders as they shepherd the Light of Christ Church Woodlands towards the vision for 2022: "Light of Christ Church, our home, our family." Pray for the church to forge good relationships and to establish an effective witness to students of Christ Church Secondary School, residents of Champions Court (Woodlands estate) and the elderly in Grace Light Spring (an Anglican Senior Center).

#### **CATHEDRAL**

# The Christmas Invitation (26 Dec, 9.30 am)

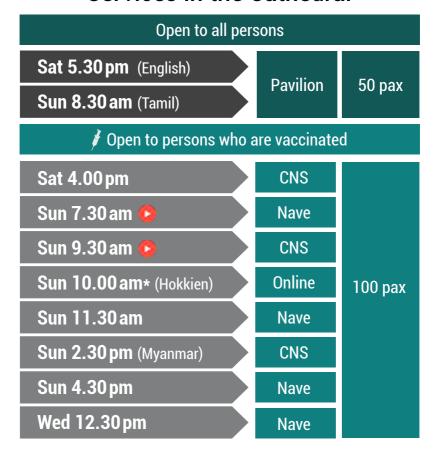
Pray that many will be drawn to our onsite and livestreamed Christmas Evangelistic Service on 26 December; for God's anointing upon Revd Chris as he delivers the Christmas message; for the gospel seed to fall on good soil, that spiritual eyes may be opened and that many will embrace God's gift of salvation in Christ. Pray for fine weather and for good internet connection.

### 289 Fellowship of the Manger (Batam)

Pray for the poor in the villages, that they may find employment to meet their daily needs. Pray that God will bless the work of our ministry teams among the villagers, with fruitfulness. Pray that God will continue to anoint the staff and prosper the ministries

of Gereja Anglikan Indonesia (GAI) and Peduli Bangsa.

### Services in the Cathedral





On-site Holy Communion services will be held at:

- Nave (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) CNS (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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

# DOING HIS WILL



## 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 4 & 5
Preparing the Way for Christ
Revd Canon Lewis Lew Luke 3:1-6

DEC 11 & 12

Bearing Good Fruit

Revd Christopher Chan Luke 3:7-18

DEC 18 & 19 God's Promise Fulfilled Revd Joshua Raj Luke 1:39-45

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



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: <a href="mailto:cathedral.org.sg/ws">cathedral.org.sg/ws</a>

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



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

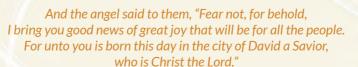
# **ALL THINGS NEW**

FRI, 31 DEC · 10.30 PM

New Year's Eve

Revd Canon Lewis Lew





LUKE 2:10-11





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

# THE CHRISTMAS INVITATION

SUN 26 DEC 2021, 9.30AM

CATHEDRAL NEW SANCTUARY with live-streaming



Inspiring testimony by Raymond Tan



Sharing the Good News by Revd Chris Chan



- 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



# **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!

# simple steps to host your pre-believing friends this Christmas!

# 1 Pray

to God to show you who to host thisChristmas and invite them. Max 5 guests:)





the guests about the online service programme<sup>A</sup> in advance and time to arrive.



### Follow

the instructions on screen and do not force your guests to make a decision if they are not ready.



### 9 GIVE

a simple thoughtful Christmas gift to your guests (to be  $\sqrt{}$ considered)



receive prayer. Scan the OR code<sup>B</sup> if your guest would like someone to pray with.

ZOOM

link will be shown on

screen for guests to



with simple messages and pray for the guests over the next week. Contact the church if you need resources.

# LOOK OUT

for your guests when the opportunity arises for them to respond at the end of the message

### Prepare

a simple meal or tea for your guests and have some follow up conversations after watching the online service.



for permission from your guests if you can pray for them before they leave



**Arrival of Guests** 

9.00 - 9.30 am Tune in to join in the Online Pre programme over coffee/tea

9.30 - 10.45 am Join Online service

10.45 am onwards Fellowship over a simple meal

<sup>B</sup> Have a mobile device ready with the Zoom App downloaded

Organised by St Andrew's Cathedral Senior Members' Fellowship

# CHRISTMAS. Lehdez Vous

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 <a href="mailto:davidng@cathedral.org.sg">davidng@cathedral.org.sg</a> 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

To find out more, visit the website at

https://www.anglican.org.sg/events/single/diocesan-theological-studies-2022

# 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)**

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	Ministry	Level	Day	Time	Mode
	Shalom Friends	6 to 16* years	Saturday	2.30pm	
Ī	CITYKids	Preschool Primary 1 to 6		4.00pm	Online
	FaithKids 1		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 <a href="https://form.jotform.com/SACMembership/CMRegForm">https://form.jotform.com/SACMembership/CMRegForm</a>

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

### **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, 7:30PM - 9:00PM

#### **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)



The course format is relaxed and engaging with live and video lessons, couple-discussion time, sharing by married couples and small group discussion led by support-couples.

# Marriage Preparation Course

### **Course Dates:**

10, 17, 24 Feb & 3, 10, 17 Mar

Thursdays, 7 - 9.30pm

Venue: Online via Zoom

Closing Date: 5 Feb 2022 or when fully booked.

Registration: <a href="https://forms.gle/ccCx5uJ9pvYrQeFf6">https://forms.gle/ccCx5uJ9pvYrQeFf6</a>

For enquiries, please email to mpc@cathedral.org.sg

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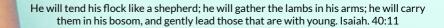
for His purpose and glory

### **JOIN US**

on this 40-week personal and intentional journey of intimacy with Jesus Starting 1 March 2022.



Open to members of St Andrew's Cathedral only.





### 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 refreshedas 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 9.30am To Join, click HERE

### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

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>



# 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">https://cathedral.org.sg/update-membership</a> 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.







Subscribe to SAC WhatsApp Broadcast:

- 1 Save 8281 5916 in your Contacts List
- 2 Text 'Subscribe' to the number above

Subscribe to our e-mail list
Visit cathedral.org.sg/subscribe





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 <a href="mailto:nave-restoration@cathedral.org.sg">nave-restoration@cathedral.org.sg</a>.

### 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:

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# 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

#### 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