



Sermon on 2/3 September 2023

Christian and the State: Living Under Authority

Romans 13:1-7

Revd Alvin Toh

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

2/3 SEPTEMBER 2023

COLLECT THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Lord God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that you being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Exodus 3:1-15

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

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PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS



THE WORLD

The BRICS summit recently concluded. The ASEAN Summit will be held next week. Pray that these gatherings of countries' top leaders will work towards the development and improvement of the impoverished lives of a very significant part of the world's people, for commitment and effective solutions to harness the resources of God's creation in a sustainable way, allowing for the spread of the good news to all parts of the world that have yet to hear it.

SINGAPORE

School holidays 2 Sep-10 Sep

Pray for safety and the opportunity for families to spend some good quality time with their children during this short school break.

President of Singapore

Pray that the next President of Singapore will have wide support of all Singaporeans. Pray that God will give him grace and strength to discharge the responsibilities of his role with dignity, integrity, grace, and wisdom.

DIOCESE

Church of the Epiphany (COTE)

Pray for the Acting Vicar, Revd Edison N.W, Priests, Revd Joseph Goh & Revd Lee Kong Kheng and pastoral team to be strengthened by God as they shepherd the flock together across all 3 congregations (COTE-Tamil, COTE-English & COTE-Chinese).

Pray for God to grant their lay leaders grace and wisdom to serve and lead the church, and

for the church members to grow and root themselves deeper in God's Word. Pray that God will enable them to walk through the doors that He has opened and will open to serve the community through their outreach efforts.

CATHEDRAL



Spiritual Care for the Ageing Course – starting 16 Sep

Pray for the course to help seniors and their families understand the ageing process, how they can manage this season in the lives of family members with understanding, compassion, and patience, and be equipped with some helpful practical techniques.

Pray for the **leadership of the Cathedral**: The Dean, Bishop Dr Titus Chung, Vicar, Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew, Associate Vicar, Revd Christopher Chan, who will take over as Acting Vicar from 1 Jan 2024, all the clergy, deaconess and pastoral staff of the Cathedral. Pray for God's wisdom, sensitivity and obedience to the powerful inspiration of the Holy Spirit as they shepherd the Cathedral church. Pray for unity within the church community in the midst of diversity for members to be discipled and for the next generation to be mentored. Pray that the church will be a loving, welcoming and winsome community to seekers in Singapore and to the unreached in the deanery countries.

The Cathedral will be closed on
Polling Day, 1 Sep 2023.

SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL

In English		
TIME	HOLY COMMUNION	VENUE
Sat 4.00 pm	2nd and 4th week	CNS
Sat 5.30pm	Last week	Prayer Halls
Sun 7.30 am 	Weekly	CNS
Sun 9.30 am 	2nd and 4th week	Pavilion
Sun 11.30 am	Weekly	CNS
Sun 2.00 pm (Youth*)		Prayer Halls
Sun 4.30 pm	Weekly	CNS
Wed 12.30 pm	Weekly	Pavilion
In other languages		
Sat 2.30 pm (Hokkien)	1st week	Chapel for All Peoples
Sun 2.30 pm (Myanmar)	Weekly	CNS

* There is no Youth service on the 4th Sunday of the month.

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

Changes to SAC operating hours and vehicular access (13-18 Sep)

St Andrew's Road will be closed from 13-18 Sep to facilitate preparations for the F1 Singapore Airlines Singapore Grand Prix 2023 taking place on 15-17 Sep. SAC Staff will also be away on a retreat from 13-15 Sep.

Church operating hours & vehicular access during this period:

12 Sep (Tues)	9am - 5pm
13 Sep (Wed)	9am - 2pm
14 & 15 Sep (Thurs & Fri)	CLOSED
16 Sep (Sat)	9am - 6pm
17 Sep (Sun)	7am - 4pm

During these operating hours, vehicles may enter St Andrew's Cathedral only via North Bridge Road, and exit only via the Coleman Street/North Bridge Road junction. The pedestrian gate beside City Hall MRT Exit B will be open.

Impact to Worship Services

Our Worship Services will carry on as usual with the following exceptions:

- The 5.30pm service on Saturday (16 Sep) and 4.30pm service on Sunday (17 Sep) will not be in session.
- Our Mandarin congregation will be having only one combined service on 17 Sep at 9.30am. The Worship Service in Cantonese will not be in session.

For more details on road closure arrangements for the F1 2023, please refer to the [LTA website](https://lta.gov.sg).



All worshippers are reminded to cater for more time to get to events and services at SAC. We seek your kind understanding and prayers for the safety of all road users and pedestrians during this period.

NextGEN 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 they grow from a toddler into adulthood.

CHILDREN MINISTRY PROGRAMME (3 – 12 years)

Please register via [Children Ministry Registration Form](#)



Ministry	Level	Day/Time	Venue
Shalom Friends*	6 to 16 yrs	Saturday 2:00pm	SAC B1 Prayer Halls
CityKids	Preschool to Primary 6	Saturday 4:00pm	SAC B2 Classrooms
FaithKids 1	Preschool to Primary 6	Sunday 9:30am	SAC Welcome Centre (P1-6) Classroom C (Preschool)
FaithKids 2	Preschool to Primary 6	Sunday 11:15am	SAC B1 Prayer Halls

*Shalom Friends reaches out to children and youths with Autism. Due to the nature of the ministry, Shalom Friends will cater to youths up to 16 years old.

To find out more about the Children Ministry,
contact nextgen@cathedral.org.sg



Click QR code
to register!

The Cathedral Youth Ministry

Metamorphosis

for teens 13 to 15 years

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month
10.45am - 12.15pm
Chapel for All Peoples

To find out more about the Youth Ministry,
contact nextgen@cathedral.org.sg



2023 SERMON SERIES

Sept 2 & 3

**Christian and the State:
Living Under Authority**
Rev'd Alvin Toh

Sept 9 & 10

Loving Your Neighbour As Yourself
Rev'd Daniel Lim

Sept 16 & 17

Awake!
Rev'd Christopher Chan

Sept 23 & 24

Dealing with Disagreement
Rev'd Canon Dr Lewis Lew

Sept 30 & Oct 1

Do Not Be a Stumbling Block
Rev'd Andrew Yap

Oct 7 & 8

Guarding Against Spiritual Pride
Rev'd Moses Israeli

Oct 14 & 15

**Proclaiming Christ
the Hope for All Mankind**
Rev'd Christopher Chan

Oct 21 & 22

**Guarding the Doctrine
and Unity of the Church**
Ds Ti Lian Swan

Oct 28 & 29

A Review of Romans
Rev'd Daniel Lim

Follow our weekly reflection questions at:

cathedral.org.sg/ss

WEDNESDAY 12.30PM
Holy Communion Service

*"He is before all things,
and in him all things hold together"*

(Col 1:17)



IN HIM

All Things Hold Together

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour is above all,
in all and with all. In him all things hold together.
The life we live is therefore held together by our Lord
Jesus Christ. How does Jesus hold our life together?
What happens when he holds our life together?

**In our new sermon series, starting on Sept 6,
we are looking at the ways Jesus holds our life together.**

Join us as we explore the different ways
Jesus holds our life together.

JOIN THE CHURCH SONG PRODUCTION!

ONE
FAMILY, CHURCH, VOICE



Recently, the church camp song, **One Family, One Church, One Voice** was introduced at all our services as a response to the sermon on Unity in Diversity. This song was written by our very own members and will be recorded formally for the upcoming Cathedral's music video.

Through this music video, we would like to acknowledge God's blessing of diverse gifts and talents in our congregations and ministries, as well as to express our commitment to His call to SAC to be ONE, just as He and the Father are ONE (John 17:22)

If you enjoyed singing the song and resonated with the call, the invitation is open for you to be part of the choir for the song production!

You will be required to attend the following practice and recording sessions in preparation for the recording. Full attendance is compulsory.



20 Sep - 8pm to 9pm
27 Sep - 8pm to 9pm
4 Oct - 8pm to 9pm
11 Oct - 8pm to 9.30pm
18 Oct - 8pm to 9.30pm



This invitation is open till 16 Sep. Please indicate your interest by filling up the form at bit.ly/sacr. The team will get in touch with you nearer to the practice dates.

Young Adult Forum 2023:

Being a Christian in the Public Sphere

Date: 20 October 2023

Time: 7.30PM - 9PM

Venue: St Andrew's Cathedral, Pavilion



Organised by
Diocesan Youth Board

Register via the QR code



Mr Keith Chua
(Business)



Mr Sim Guan Seng
(Finance)



Revd Dr Jeremy-Joe Tan
(Church)

Wonder how our **Christian faith and value intersect with business, ethics, and leadership**? Come join us as we dialogue with Christian leaders from the marketplace where they share their experiences, challenges, and strategies for making an impact as a Christian in a secular environment.



Diocesan Certificate of Biblical Studies

*Thursday
Evenings on
Zoom!*

Term 4 2023

Old Testament

Module 4A 1&2 Kings, Isaiah

Instructors: Revd. William Chee
Mrs. Bernice Gan

10 lessons: 14 Sep – 16 Nov 7.30pm - 9pm

Exam (optional) 25 Nov

<https://tinyurl.com/DCBSModule4A>



New Testament

Module 10 Romans & Galatians

Instructors: Revd. Bertram Cheong
Revd. Hambali Leonardi
Ms. Vivien Chen

9 lessons: 14 Sep – 9 Nov 7.30pm - 9pm

Exam (optional) 25 Nov

<https://tinyurl.com/DCBSModule10>



Click or scan the QR code to sign up.

Course fees: \$10.00 | Exam fees: \$5.00

Payment instructions provided on registration.

Exam is optional. For more information on DCBS, please visit this link:

<https://sph.org.sg/school-of-biblical-studies/>

For other enquiries, write to dcbs.sph@gmail.com



DIOCESAN APOLOGETICS COURSE

MODULE 2:

THE EVIDENCES FOR CHRISTIANITY

Many of our non-Christian friends face intellectual obstacles when they encounter the Christian faith. These obstacles include difficulties believing that the miracles mentioned in the Bible actually happened, that a human being (Jesus) is also God, that a collection of books written thousands of years ago should be regarded as divinely authoritative, and that the message of Christianity alone should be regarded as uniquely salvific among the multitude of religions. This module equips students with the knowledge and skills to articulate compelling responses to these obstacles in practical settings.

Instructor:

Dr Andrew Loke

Date:

**6 September – 25 October 2023,
every Wednesday**

Time:

7.30 – 9.30pm via Zoom

Cost:

\$20

Register at:

<https://bit.ly/3YesCIG>

DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

MODULE 8:

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE LAST THINGS

Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell – these are the Last Things which a Christian has to face in the end. Because it is in the future (the eschaton), many uncertainties and speculations have sprung up; with a plethora of teachings, theories and interpretations. How can a Christian to wade through and know which are Biblical and part of God's plan for His people? At the same time, Christians are to cling on to the hope we have in Christ while awaiting His return. This module aims to clarify and inform all who want to know how to discern what is the Truth and the Life.

Instructors:

Revd William Chee, Revd Thomas Isaac, Revd Gary Chng, Revd Hambali Leonardi, Revd Canon Terry Wong

Date:

**12 September – 31 October 2023,
every Tuesday**

Time:

7.30 – 9.30 pm via Zoom

Cost:

\$20

Register at:

<https://bit.ly/47ffwyG>

Discovering the Holy Trinity

For many, the Trinity is a truly puzzling aspect of the Christian faith. Why are we taught to believe in one God, who exists in three persons (the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit)? How do these three persons of the Trinity relate to one another? Where in the Bible is this teaching found? Does this doctrine have any relevance to our life and ministry?

Come and explore these questions! With God's help, we hope to come away with a greater understanding of why the church has taught this doctrine since her beginning and how critical and relevant it is for us today.

Dates: 19 and 26 Sep 2023 (Tues)
Time: 7.30pm to 9.30 pm via Zoom
Speaker: Dr Leow Theng Huat



Dr Leow is a lecturer of theology at Trinity Theological College. He is a member and local preacher of Wesley Methodist Church. Dr Leow's passion is to convey the relevance of Christian theology for our life and ministry. He is married to Cheng Ping and they have three children.

To register, please visit cathedral.org.sg/dht

CHOICES

JOIN US FOR THESE EVENTS!

More info at
go.coos.org.sg/ChoicesTalks

#1 NAVIGATING & LIVING LIFE AS A CHRISTIAN WITH SSA

A 3-session Bible Study
Dates: 24, 31 Aug & 7 Sep 2023 (Thu)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 305
Speaker: Ps Chang Tau Chen

#2 CHURCH, STATE & LIVING IN A PLURALISTIC SOCIETY

Date: 13 Sep 2023 (Wed)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 308
Speaker: Mr Darius Lee

#3 DIALOGUE WITH 'OVERCOMERS' (ASK ME ANYTHING)

Date: 20 Sep 2023 (Wed)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 217
Speakers: Various

#4 PARENTS EQUIP: CONVERSATIONS WITH CHILDREN ON SEXUALITY & LGBTQ

PART 1
Date: 18 Oct 2023 (Wed)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 308
Speaker: Ms Carol Loi

PART 2
Date: 25 Oct 2023 (Wed) Time:
7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 308
Speaker: Choices Team

#5 DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION (DEI) IN WORKPLACES

Date: 3 Nov 2023 (Fri)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Chapel (Level 4)
Speaker: Marketplace Professionals

#6 SEXUALITY IN THE MEDIA AND THE CHRISTIAN

Date: 7 Nov 2023 (Tue)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 305
Speaker: Mr Edison Daniel Lim

#7 HOW DO YOUTHS NAVIGATE TOPICS REGARDING LGBTQ WITH FRIENDS?

Date: 8 Nov 2023 (Wed)
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Room 308
Speaker: Mr Edison Daniel Lim



All sessions will take place in Church of Our Saviour
at 130 Margaret Drive, Singapore 149300.

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

For children aged 3 to 12 years

7 Oct 2023

Pavilion,

Level 1

3pm to 6pm

Calling all precious children
of God to discover how
you can shine brightly for
Jesus in your schools and
amongst your friends!

Register at

<https://tinyurl.com/lotwchildren>

Registration closes on 10 Sep.



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*Children under the age of 4 must be
accompanied by a parent/guardian throughout the event.

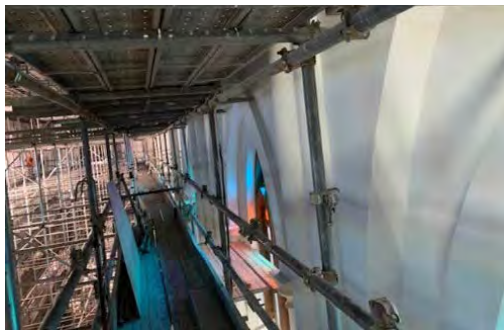
Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the
respective children ministry superintendents or email us at
nextgen_admin@cathedral.org.sg

AUGUST 2023 UPDATE ON NAVE RESTORATION WORKS

The contractors have nearly completed the plastering works inside the Nave, leaving small areas in the Vestry and Sacristy. 2 coats of paint have been applied to the South Side of the Nave, leaving the final coat to be applied as the scaffolds are dismantled in September.

Painting works to the lower section of the Bell Tower and the North Side of the Nave are in-progress. The scaffolds at these areas are scheduled to be dismantled by the end of September. The installation and making good of the lightning protection system at the Bell Tower has been completed. The plastering works to the lower half of the Bell Tower (from Level 8 down) are progressing well.

There has been a slight delay to the trench casting works in the Nave, which should now commence in the first week of September.



2 coats of paint have been applied on the walls at the South Side of Nave.

We continue to see good progress to the following:

1. Internal works:

- Painting works are ongoing at the North Side. Plastering works are ongoing at the spiral stairs walls.
- The M&E contractors are readying the pipes and cables for works to the columns in the Nave, and installation of equipment will take place as soon as the scaffolds are removed.

2. Bell Tower:

- Plastering and painting works are ongoing at the lower levels.
- The coloured glass for the Bell Tower windows have been cut to different shapes and are waiting to be installed before the scaffolds come down.



Plastering to North Side of Nave completed. Painting has commenced.



Washing of NT Roof slates in progress.

3. External Works:

- The contractor has commenced the washing of the roof slates, which will take about 4-6 weeks.

We continue to pray for the Lord's favour over the restoration -

- for the safety of all workers and the technical team, especially when working at heights;
 - for clear weather, so that the works can continue smoothly and safely;
 - for skilled workers to be available;
 - for a safe and peaceful environment for the work to continue with minimal disruptions and distractions from internal and external sources;
 - for wisdom and practical abilities for the project teams to give of their best to this work; and
 - for smooth work progress and the speedy completion of the Nave restoration project.
- "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain." (Ps 127:1) ESV***

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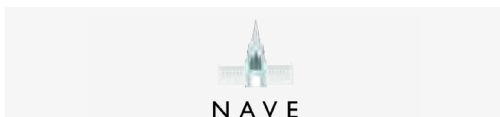
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Cell Group

Being part of a cell group allows us to grow in our Christian faith as we share our lives with each other. Join one at:

 cathedral.org.sg/cell-groups



NAVE RESTORATION PROJECT

Visit the web page for updates or drop us an email to find out more:

 cathedral.org.sg/restoration
 nave_restoration@cathedral.org.sg



Member Contact Details

Update your contact details held in the SAC records at:

 cathedral.org.sg/membership
 membership@cathedral.org.sg



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The following positions are open for application:

- Communications Executive
- Worship Ministry Pastoral Staff

Find out more at cathedral.org.sg/jobs



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Synod Presidential Address

Relationships: The Foundation of Discipleship

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