## ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE



Sermon on 9/10 September 2023

Loving Your Neighbour As Yourself

Romans 13:8-10

Revd Daniel Lim

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



## 9/10 SEPTEMBER 2023

## 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

Exodus 12:1-14 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20

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# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### THE WORLD

Wars and threats of military confrontations are daily headlines. Typhoons, fires, floods continue unabated and bring loss of life, property and dislocation to millions. Decisions to release radioactive materials into the environment will increase the dangers to human health. The prospect of famine and pestilence is real. Many economies are entering or are in recession. Pray for wisdom and enablement of leaders to work for peace and the alleviation of poverty. Pray for God to anoint His people throughout the world, to hold fast to Truth, to be courageous in serving the poor, the sick and disadvantaged, fearless in their witness for Christ and to be patient overcomers.

#### SINGAPORE

Thank God for the smooth and efficient administration of the Presidential Election. Pray for God's wisdom and grace on President-elect Tharman Shanmugaratnam as he discharges the responsibilities of the office, serve Singapore and contribute godly wisdom in global forums.

Let us continue to pray for the effectiveness of our law enforcement agencies as they investigate and bring to justice those who would use Singapore as a location for their criminal and corrupt activities.

#### DIOCESE

#### **Diocesan Education Board**

The Diocese endeavours to serve Singapore and contribute positively to shaping young lives through its education mission. Pray for the Diocesan Education Board – Dr Lim Lai Cheng, General Secretary, Ms Alice Tan & Ms Ruth Low, Diocesan Secretary for Schools and pre-schools. Pray for the principals, teachers and staff in our Anglican schools (3 primary schools, 6 secondary schools,

1 junior college, 2 special education schools) to impart values and develop good character in our students that will be pleasing to God. Pray for the schools to be excellent centres of learning that will prepare students for living productive, fruitful and godly lives in their adult years.

#### St Peter's Hall

Pray for the Warden, Revd Dr Joshua Sudharman and his team, as they build a strong foundation for theological education in our Diocese, leveraging on the diverse pool of resources across the Diocese. Several Diocesan Lay Training programmes have commenced in September. Pray for the instructors as they teach, and for the participants to be edified and built up in the knowledge and right application of God's Word. In addition, pray for the team that is planning for the systematic discipleship and leadership training for the Deaneries that will include relevant cultural contexts.

#### CATHEDRAL

#### **Nave Restoration**

Pray that good progress on the work continues and for God's blessings of joy and peace on all who are seeing to the completion of the works. Let us continue to pray for the safety and well-being of all workers, staff and consultants and that there will be no lack of resources.

#### Members

Pray for our church, that we will be God-fearing and God-loving people who always seek the good of others. Pray that we will be committed to His call to us to be ONE, just as He and the Father are ONE. Pray that the love of God would be so full in our hearts that it will overflow to people around us. Pray against self- righteousness and pride.

# 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.

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. 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.

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# CHILDREN MINISTRY PROGRAMME (3 – 12 years)

Please register via Children Ministry Registration Form

	Ministry	Level	Day/Time	Venue
1	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 <u>nextgen@cathedral.org.sg</u>



to register!

The Cathedral Youth Ministry Mictamorphosis

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 <u>nextgen@cathedral.org.sg</u>



#### 2023 SERMON SERIES

Sept 2 & 3 Christian and the State: Living Under Authority Revd Alvin Toh

Sept 9 & 10 Loving Your Neighbour As Yourself Revd Daniel Lim

Sept 16 & 17 Awake! Revd Christopher Chan

Sept 23 & 24 Dealing with Disagreement Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew

Sept 30 & Oct 1 Do Not Be a Stumbling Block Revd Andrew Yap Oct 7 & 8 Guarding Against Spiritual Pride Revd Moses Israeli

Oct 14 & 15 Proclaiming Christ the Hope for All Mankind Revd Christopher Chan

Oct 21 & 22 Guarding the Doctrine and Unity of the Church Ds Ti Lian Swan

Oct 28 & 29 A Review of Romans Revd Daniel Lim

Follow our weekly reflection questions at: cathedral.org.sg/ss

Ecclesiastes 3:1 To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven.

Inviting all members to this special occasion of celebration and thanksgiving as we send Canon Lewis off, as a church, with our blessings.

# for Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew Friday 13 October 2023

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7.00 - 8.30pm, Pavilion

Registration is required and opens from 13 Sep, 8pm till 30 Sep (or until seats are fully subscribed).

To find ways to show your appreciation and/or register for the dinner, click https://form.jotform.com/232428393357462

## WEDNESDAY 12.30PM Holy Communion Service

"He is before all things, and in him all things hold together" (Col 1:17)



# 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!

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.

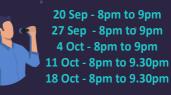
Through this music video, we would like to acknowledge God's blessing of diverse gifts and talents in our congregations and ministries, as well as to express our commitment to His call to SAC to be ONE, just as He and the Father are ONE (John 17:22)

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.





This invitation is open till 16 Sep. Please indicate your interest by filling up the form at <u>bit.ly/sacr</u>. 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







Revd Dr Jeremy-Joe Ta (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 **C**ertificate of Biblical Thursday **S**tudies Zoom!

Evenings on

# 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

## **New Testament**

Module 10 Romans & Galatians

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

Exam (optional) 25 Nov

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

Exam (optional) 25 Nov

https://tinyurl.com/DCBSModule4A



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 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

# **Care for the Bereaved**

Loss come in many different forms, and the grief can be overwhelming. But you need need not walk alone.



If we can be of help to you or someone you know, scan the QR code above to fill out a form, or reach out to us at membercare@cathedral.org.sg or 6337 6104.

# 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 <u>cathedral.org.sg/dht</u>



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

# EDUCATION MONTH -SEP 2023

Anglican Preschool Services



## Diocesan Education Month: Anglican Preschool Services (APS)

APS was set up by the Anglican Diocese of Singapore to be a bridge between the Church and community through holistic preschool education, infused with Christian values. To date, APS operates 18 Christian preschools, sowing seeds & transforming lives. You can support APS by (a) enrolling your child in an APS preschool; (b) signing up as a staff or volunteer;

- (c) praying for APS; and
- (d) giving financially.

Responding to the demand for childcare, APS needs to convert all its kindergartens to childcare centres. The conversion will cost \$5.9M over two years. About 45% of this has been secured, leaving about \$3M yet to be raised. Do prayerfully consider partnering APS in this conversion endeavour. You may scan the QR code for General Fund for this purpose. Every bit counts.

More information is available here: <u>https://anglicanps.edu.sg/hello</u>





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.

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

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the respective children ministry superintendents or email us at <a href="mailto:nextgen\_admin@cathedral.org.sg">nextgen\_admin@cathedral.org.sg</a>



#### 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 inprogress. 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

# **STAY CONNECTED** with the Cathedral



Find out about our Sunday School, Youth and Young Adult ministries:

**cathedral.org.sg/nextgen** 

->> nextgen@cathedral.org.sg



**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



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

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Member Contact Details Update your contact details held in the SAC records at:

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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



# CAR PARK

Members who wish to park at the SAC car park with member rates or to update their change of vehicle for member rates must submit their application at: cathedral.org.sg/carpark For enquiries, please email carpark@cathedral.org.sg



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Thursdays 7.30pm - 9.00pm MORE DETAILS AT https://sph.org.sg/school-ofbiblical-studies/

## **CYCLE OF PRAYER 2023**

## Synod Presidential Address Relationships: The Foundation of Discipleship

Hear Bishop Titus' heart for our diocese in this season! Download a copy from the diocesan website at anglican.org.sg



For job opportunities in the Anglican Diocese, please visit anglican.org.sg/work-with-us/

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On the reverse side of the cheque, you may indicate your Tithing number (if any). If you would like a receipt, please also write your name and mailing address.

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

#### FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**Tithes & Offerings:** Your tithes and offerings will be used to support the ministries of the Church as well as the wider body of Christ in the world. Your givings enable the Church to carry out our mission according to the Church's budget plan, as well as to respond to the needs around us.

**Designated Givings:** As Cathedral is required to comply with applicable laws and regulations, including those governing charities, the Church can accept designated givings only for such mission partners and/or causes as the Church may determine at its discretion from time to time. Givings to other mission partners or causes will be treated as general offerings to support the ministries of the Church. Please email <u>finance@cathedral.org.sg</u> for clarification on designated mission partners and causes.