### ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE



The Birth of Christ Foretold Luke 1:26-38 Revd Daniel Lim

#### Sermon on 24 Dec

Jesus, the Glory of God Luke 1:67-79 Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

#### Sermon on 25 Dec

The Identity of Christ Revealed: the Shepherds Luke 2:8-21 Revd Christopher Chan

### cathedral.org.sg/youtube

### 23/24 DECEMBER 2023

COLLECT FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHRISTMAS EVE

Almighty God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that, as we joyfully receive him for our redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our judge; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38

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# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### THE WORLD

Thank God for the positive outcome of the 28th United Nations Climate Change Conference. Pray that countries will collaborate to put in place concrete and effective plans, to achieve the goal of transitioning away from fossil fuel. Pray that global leaders will continue to put aside their differences and draw on each other's strengths, to promote peace, economic cooperation and alleviate human suffering. Pray that the light of the gospel will continue to break through the darkness and bring hope and healing to our broken world.

#### SINGAPORE

Pray for the success of the Japan-led Asia Zero Emission Community (Azec) initiative; for countries involved in this initiative (Japan, Asean and Australia) to collaborate in developing new sources of energy and increase capabilities for the green transition to net zero. On the national front, pray for continued vigilance and efforts by the public, financial institutions and the police to stop malware and phishing scams and that perpetrators of such crimes will repent of their wrongdoing. Pray that the message of Christmas proclaimed through Celebrate Christmas in Singapore, churches and various platforms during this season, will open spiritual eyes and lead many to salvation in Christ.

#### DIOCESE

Pray that our Diocese will continue to grow spiritually and numerically, that our churches will be channels of God's love and blessing to the communities; that we will be vibrant in witness and fervent in making disciples of all nations. Pray that God's people will stand firmly anchored in God's truth and will defend the faith against worldly ideologies. Pray that God will open up new frontiers for missions in our Diocese, raise up missionaries and local leaders to shepherd the flock in new church plants and equip His saints for the work of His Kingdom.

#### CATHEDRAL

Pray that the Cathedral will shine for Christ and that many will come through our gates, to worship and to adore Him, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. Pray that as we celebrate Christ's birth this Christmas and prepare for His second coming, we will surrender our wills to Him and align our lives to His divine purposes. Pray that together as one family, one church, one voice, we will fulfil His destiny for us, a church in the city, for the glory of His Name.

## Advent & Combined Year-end Services 2023

Sat 23 Dec 2.30pm (Hokkien), Chapel for All Peoples Mr Tony Tan

**4pm, CNS 5.30pm, Prayer Halls** The Birth of Christ Foretold Revd Daniel Lim

Sun 24 Dec\* 2.30pm (Myanmar), CNS Revd Moses Israeli

10pm, Nave The Dedication of the Nave & Christmas Eve Combined Service Jesus, the Glory of God

Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung \* All regular Sunday Services **will not** be in session.

Mon 25 Dec 8am, Nave Christmas Day Combined Service The Identity of Christ Revealed: The Shepherds Revd Christopher Chan

2pm (Myanmar), CNS Revd Moses Israeli Wed 27 Dec 12.30pm, Nave Revd Soon Soo Kee

### Sat 30 & Sun 31 Dec\*\*

The Identity of Christ Revealed: Simeon and Anna Revd Andrew Yap \*\* All regular Sunday services will be in session.

**31 Dec Dec 10.30pm, Nave Covenant Service** To Love and Serve the Lord Revd Christopher Chan



Download the Advent Devotional 2023 at <u>cathedral.</u> org.sg/a23

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

Church is closed on 26 Dec 23 and 2 Jan 24

#### **CESSATION OF LIVE-STREAMING OF SERVICES**

Our Associate Vicar, Revd Christopher Chan, recently announced that the live-streaming of services will cease with effect from 1 Jan 2024. Please watch the video announcement here

The weekly sermons will be made available on our YouTube channel.

### Building up every child towards spiritual maturity

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# CHILDREN MINISTRY

Preschool - Primary 6 (ages 3 - 12)

Ministry	Day/Time	Venue		
City Kids	Saturday 4:00pm	Classrooms (B2)		
Faith Kids 1	Sunday 9:30am	Prayer Halls (B1) Classrooms (B2)		
Faith Kids 2	Sunday 11:15am	NT Hall Prayer Closets 1/2/3 (Nave L2)		

Register here and join us for children ministry!

# SHALOM FRIENDS (ages 13 - 25)

Shalom Friends reaches out to youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Due to the nature of the ministry, Shalom Friends will cater for youths up to 25 years old.

Shalom Friends

Saturday 2:00pm

SAC B1 Prayer Halls

### **Register to join us for Shalom Friends here**

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	The Cathedral Youth Ministry welcomes all youths from 13 - 25 years old		•	133
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	<ul> <li>First 3 Sundays of the month</li> </ul>			
	• Youth Service - 2pm @ North Transept Hall			https://tinyurl
	• Metamorphosis - 10.45am @ Chapel For All			Connect
	Peoples & Prayer Hall C			O @sa.cat



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To find out more, contact nextgen@cathedral.org.sg

### WEDNESDAY 12.30PM @ THE NAVE Holy Communion Service

# A Distinctive Life (From the Letter of Paul to the Philippians)

- 3 Jan 24 What is Your Purpose in Life?
- 10 Jan 24 Be Like Christ in Humility
- 17 Jan 24 Pressing Towards the Finishing Line
- 24 Jan 24 No Wed Service Provincial Synod
- 31 Jan 24 Rejoice in All Situations

**Preacher: Revd Peter Chen** 

## MORE CHILDREN MINISTRY WORKERS NEEDED!

I AM A

CATHEDRAL

KID

Is it your desire and prayer to see the children of St Andrew's Cathedral rooted in the worship of God and in the body of Christ?

Then join our team of dedicated teachers in partnership with the parents to disciple the next generation! You may also serve as teacher-aides to assist the teachers in the administration and management of the class.

I AM A

CHILD

OF GOD

\*Believing

You may choose to serve in one or more of the following sessions: CitvKids Saturday 4pm FaithKids 1 Sunday 9.30am FaithKids 2 Sunday 11.15am



Fill up the form now and we will get in touch with you very soon!

I AM

CHRIST'S

AMBASSADOR

#Becoming

# Welcome Hosts

### NEEDED FOR The Cathedral Welcome Centre

With great anticipation and excitement, we look forward to the long-awaited reopening of the Cathedral Welcome Centre scheduled in April 2024. We envision it to be a place of blessing to both the public and members – an oasis offering rest and respite from the activities, cares and busyness of life and work.

It is our heartfelt prayer that our Lord Jesus will draw many to encounter him – being refreshed, restored and encouraged with hope, and lives transformed through the sharing of the good news.

# "... I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

Matthew 25:35



If you aspire to be a channel of God's love and blessing to the community, if you are warm hearted and love offering friendly smiles, come be a Welcome Host!

No prior experience is needed. Training will be provided. Consider pairing up with a friend, family or cell member to serve in this ministry. The preparation for this ministry will begin in first quarter of 2024.

Scan/click the QR code to find out more and sign up as a Welcome Host.

For further enquiries, please email pataw@cathedral.org.sg

Think God might be calling you into full-time ministry? Keen to give a season of your life

to church work (pastoral, admin, or operations)?

# Join SAC as an intern!

This programme is open only to SAC members who are Singaporeans or Singapore PR. A small allowance will be given and confirmation of internship is subject to approval.

MINISTRY **NTERNSHIP** Programme

> Apply or find out more at https://cathedral.org.sg/intern

Nepal & Thailand Mission **Trips 2024** 

The Short Term Mission trips are open for all interested members to sign up:

### Nepal: 25 April to 6 May 2024 Thailand: 16 to 24 May 2024

All participants must complete the compulsory training on the following dates: 16, 23 March & 6, 13 April 2024



■其具■ Register your interest at https://forms.gle/ PHOvhMxcwMCiRTAS6

For more information, go to https://cathedral.org.sg/missions



St Andrew's Cathedral

### Join us to explore life's big questions Alpha@Cathedral 31 Jan - 24 Apr 2024 Wed, 7pm-9pm, Prayer Halls



Find out more at https://cathedral.org.sg/alpha

# explore





# Diocesan Certificate of Biblical Studies ONLINE



All lessons will be conducted via Zoom.

#### **Old Testament**

1A Overview of the Old Testament (Free of Charge)

Instructor: Ms. Vivien Chen 1 lesson: 4 Jan 2024 7.30pm - 9pm

4B The Prophets : Jeremiah & Ezekiel

Instructors: Revd. Hambali Leonardi Revd. Aaron Cheng

10 lessons: 11 Jan - 14 Mar. 7.30pm - 9pm Exam (optional) 23 March





### New Testament

1B Overview of the New Testament (Free of Charge)

Instructor: Mr. Keith Leong 1 lesson: 4 Jan 2024 7.30pm - 9pm

#### 11 The Pauline Epistles: 1 & 2 Corinthians

Instructors: Ds. Bessie Lee Ms. Vivien Chen

10 lessons: 11 Jan – 14 Mar. 7.30pm - 9pm Exam (optional) 23 March





Registration details can be found on the Diocesan website at https://anglican.org.sg/events/

# MEMBER M I N I S T R Y

### **OUR VISION**

Every person salved, secure and significant in Christ, living the abundant life, for the glory of God!

### **OUR MISSION**

To journey with people toward wholeness, by offering the gift of our presence, a listening ear, a compassionate

heart; to pray with, give encouragement and practical help for the way ahead, with reliance on God and the help of His Holy Spirit.

### Our Care Teams are organised as follows:

- Care for the Elderly
- Care for the Young (the teens to 20s)
- Care for Married Couples and Families
- Care for Divorced and Separated (Renewing Streams Ministry)
- Care for the Sick
- Care for the Bereaved
- Care for all Others (who do not fall into the above categories)

If you are facing challenges and would like the ministry to reach out to you, do contact us at membercare@cathedral.org.sg or call 6337 6104. To find out more about the ministry or volunteer with us, please visit <u>https://cathedral.org.sg/care</u>



### EAST LAWN CAR PARK CLOSURE

We thank God for His provision and faithfulness as we celebrate the upcoming 70th Anniversary of the Mandarin Congregation. As part of the celebration, our mandarin family will be marking an anniversary logo on the East Lawn car park for the Congregation Group Photo-taking session.

The parking lots on the East Lawn will be closed during these times to facilitate the logo marking:

23 Dec (Sat), 9am to 3pm

24 Dec (Sun), 11am to 6pm

25 Dec (Mon), 10am to 1pm\*

\*The driveway along the East Lawn car park will be cordoned off during this time. During these times, car park lots along the driveways towards the Padang and Funan are open for parking.

We seek your kind understanding and patience.

### DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF

**Bernard Koh** 

Senior Members' Fellowship

Chinese New Year SHOPPING

Visit various factory outlets selling CNY goodies in Senoko, Woodland Terraces, etc.

# 6 February 2024, 9.30am

The bus will leave Cathedral punctually at 9.30am and be back at approximately 4.30pm

### Cost: \$6

Pay via PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C UEN: T08CC4055LT01 Indicate "SMF" in the reference First come first serve with payment (Before paying, please WhatsApp David Ng at 98332786 to confirm a seat.)

> For more details, WhatsApp at 98332786 or email davidng@cathedral.org.sg

# **STAY CONNECTED** with the Cathedral



For children, youth and young adults

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:

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
- Children Ministry Pastoral Staff

Find out more at cathedral.org.sg/jobs

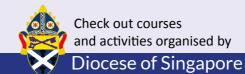


# **CAR PARK**

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



Subscribe to our or e-mailing list or SAC WhatsApp Broadcast! Visit cathedral.org.sg/subscribe





Thursdays 7.30pm - 9.00pm

MORE DETAILS AT https://sph.org.sg/school-o biblical-studies/

### **CYCLE OF PRAYER 2023**



### Synod Presidential Address

Hear Bishop Titus' heart for our diocese in this season! Download a copy from the diocesan website at <u>https://anglican.org.sg/</u> wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Synod-Address-<u>Nov-2003\_final.pdf</u>



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

CONTACT THE DIOCESE AT

# 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 Name:

St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C UEN: T08CC4055LT01

Receipts will not be issued for online givings.

### Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

Cheques

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.