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with GOD



Sermon on 4/5 Jan

**Amos: Worship that  
Pleases God**

Amos 1:1-15

*Revd Christopher Chan*



Catch the sermon at  
[cathedral.org.sg/youtube](https://cathedral.org.sg/youtube)

4/5 JANUARY 2025

## COLLECT

### EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Eternal God, who by the shining of a star led the wise men to the worship of your Son: guide by his light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may behold your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### LECTIONARY READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:10-15

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

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**Auxiliary Deaconess** Ds June Tan

# Happy New Year



THE VICAR WRITES  
REVD CHRISTOPHER CHAN

What aspirations do you have for 2025? I'm sure that some of us have thought about things we'd like to embark on and things we'd like to achieve. Have you given thought to how you'd like to see progress in your spiritual life? I do hope so!

I shared during our New Year's Eve Covenant Service that in 2025 we'll focus on "Cultivating Our Relationship with God", and that will be the theme for our sermon series this year. We looked outwards in the past year, emphasising mission and evangelism. To maintain a critical balance, in the coming year we'll look inwards. Even as we continue to serve God's mission, we'll give more attention to our inner life.

One of the key ways in which we can grow consistently is to spend time in God's Word every day. During my Covenant Service sermon, I encouraged everyone to embark on a plan to finish reading the whole Bible within the next 1-3 years. Ideally, we'll finish reading the whole Bible in 2025 by reading slightly more than 3 chapters a day. If we prefer to take things more slowly, by reading 1 chapter a day we'll finish reading through the Bible in about 3 years.

I've been reading through the Bible annually for the past 20 years, and this has contributed immensely to my spiritual growth. If you aren't already doing it, I believe that it will be a life-changing experience for you! We're a few days into the new year, but it won't take much effort to make up for that. I strongly encourage you to go for it! Gather a few friends and commit to reading through the Bible together. Share reflections from your readings and pray for one another. It will be a deeply enriching journey!

Let me return to the question with which I began. What aspirations do you have for 2025? I pray that in the coming year we'll intentionally cultivate our relationship with God and pursue spiritual growth. May the Lord bless our efforts and grant us much fruitfulness. Amen!



# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS



## THE WORLD

Let us lift up the families of the victims of the tragic air crash at Muan International Airport on December 29, 2024, which claimed the lives of 179 passengers. We pray that God's comfort will surround each grieving heart, and His presence will bring peace amidst their pain. May He heal the deep wounds left by this sudden loss, and bring them strength and solace in their darkest moments. We also remember the two survivors, who were miraculously rescued. Pray that the Lord's mercy and healing will bring them a swift and complete recovery. Finally, pray for the nation of South Korea, as it mourns this devastating tragedy amidst political leadership changes. May God's grace and compassion cover the nation, bringing hope, unity, and strength in this time of grief and uncertainty.

## SINGAPORE

Let us lift up our Prime Minister, Mr Lawrence Wong, and his Cabinet Ministers, and all Members of Parliament in prayer. In this New year, we pray that God's wisdom and guidance will continue to lead them in their responsibilities as they govern the nation. May they remain steadfast in holding on to values that reflect God's Word, and may their decisions be shaped by a heart of integrity and compassion. We ask that through their leadership, Singapore may be blessed and become a beacon of light and hope to other nations, reflecting God's goodness and truth in all that we do.

## DIOCESE

### All Saints' Church & Chapel of Christ the Redeemer

Pray for the Vicars, pastors and staff of these two churches as they lead their congregations into a new year of re-envisioning and fresh beginnings. Pray that members will unite their hearts and hands as they serve the Lord in the various ministries with clarity of focus and with the empowering of the Holy Spirit. Pray for anointed proclamation of the word, spiritual growth and for dynamic witness that the life of Christ will be clearly manifested in and through God's people, to the communities they serve.

## CATHEDRAL

Let us lift up our choir members and our Music Director, Lim Chin Kai, in prayer. We thank God for their dedication and the talents they share each week, enriching our worship and leading us in praises to the Lord. May the Lord bless their ministry abundantly. May they also experience unity in spirit as they serve, and may their hearts be filled with joy as they continue to glorify the Lord with their voices. We also pray for God's abundant blessings upon all our brothers and sisters in the Cathedral. May 2025 be a year that is filled with spiritual growth, and an ever-closer walk with our Lord. May God grant us the strength and discipline to remain faithful in all aspects of our lives, reflecting His love and truth in all we do.

## Services at the Cathedral

In English		
TIME	HOLY COMMUNION	VENUE
Sat 4.45pm	2nd and 4th week	CNS
Sun 8.00 am	Weekly	Nave
Sun 9.30 am	2nd and 4th week	CNS
Sun 11.30 am*	1st, 3rd & 5th week	Nave
Sun 2.00 pm (Youth**)		NT Hall
Sun 4.30 pm	Weekly†	Nave
Wed 12.30 pm	Weekly	Nave
In other languages		
Sun 2.30 pm (Myanmar)	Weekly	CNS

\* The Morning Prayer Service will be in session on the 2nd and 4th Sunday.

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

† The Evensong Service will be in session on the last Sunday and there will be no administration of Holy Communion.





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## 2025 SERMON SERIES

**4 & 5**

**Amos: Worship that Pleases God**  
Amos 1:1-15 | Revd Christopher Chan

**11 & 12**

**The Lord Will Judge**  
Amos 2:1-16 | Revd Daniel Lim

**18 & 19**

**Punishment is Certain**  
Amos 3:1-15 | Revd Dr Timothy Chong

**25 & 26**

**Yet You Did Not Return**  
Amos 4:1-13 | Revd Andrew Yap

JANUARY

**1 & 2**

**Seek Me and Live**  
Amos 5:1-27 | Ds Ti Lian Swan/Ds June Tan

**8 & 9**

**Woe to Those at Ease**  
Amos 6:1-14 | Revd Christopher Chan

**15 & 16**

**A Plumb Line is Set**  
Amos 7:1-17 | Revd Moses Israeli

**22 & 23**

**The Day of Mourning**  
Amos 8:1-14 | Mr Joshua Koh

FEBRUARY

Follow our weekly  
reflection questions at:  
[cathedral.org.sg/ss](http://cathedral.org.sg/ss)

# Message Series for Epiphany

# REVEALING JESUS

WEDNESDAY 12.30PM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Join us at Epiphany as we discover afresh who Jesus Christ is every Wednesday from Jan 15 - Feb 26 2025

Discover life's bigger picture with **ALPHA** where authentic conversations are found and a pursuit of life, faith and meaning is explored together.

## Alpha@Cathedral

5 Feb - 23 Apr 2025 | Wed 7pm - 9pm | St Andrew's Cathedral

Life is fast. Choices are endless.



Scan to register

**ALPHA** is the place to explore any question.



## CHILDREN MINISTRY

Preschool - Primary 6 (ages 3 - 12)



Ministry	Day/Time	Venue
City Kids	Saturday 4:45pm	Prayer Halls (B1)
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 youths 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](#)

## CATHEDRAL YOUTH

*The Cathedral Youth Ministry welcomes all youths from 13 - 25 years old*

### First 3 Sundays of the month

- Youth Service - 2pm @ North Transept Hall
- Metamorphosis - 11am @ Classroom A & Prayer Hall C



<https://tinyurl.com/SACYM>

Connect with us

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To find out more, contact [nextgen@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:nextgen@cathedral.org.sg)



# WE'VE GOT SOME EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE!



After the amazing time we had at last year's church camp, we know many of you have been eagerly asking, 'When's the next one?'  
Check out the details:



## CHURCH CAMP 2025

15 - 18 JUNE @ HOLIDAY VILLA, JB  
SPEAKER: BISHOP EMERITUS DR GORDON WONG

It's going to be an incredible time of fun, fellowship, and seeking the Lord.  
So, grab your calendars and mark those dates now!  
Registration opens early next year, do stay tuned for more details.

### YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!





What's it like to experience the presence of God in our workplace?

How can our work be fun and joyful through the ministry of the Holy Spirit?



# SURPRISED

Experiencing God beyond our expectations through our work.

# BY JOY!

**Sat 18 Jan 2025 | 9.30am - 12.30pm**  
**South Transept Hall** (next to Nave, ground floor)

Join us as Mrs Ong Ai Boon reflects on her remarkable journey of walking with God in her work.



Ai Boon has been the Director of The Association of Banks in Singapore for the past 42 years, and she serves as an Advisory Elder at City Missions Church.



**Cost: Free**  
**Please register**  
**by 12 Jan.**

Register at [cathedral.org.sg/joy](https://cathedral.org.sg/joy)

Limited spaces, please register early. For enquiries, please email [sacce@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:sacce@cathedral.org.sg)

Senior Members' Fellowship

# Chinese New Year SHOPPING

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

**16 January 2025, 9.30am**

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

**Cost: \$6**

Provide name and contact to register.

PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C

UEN: T08CC4055LT01 Indicate: SMF CNY Shopping

When payment is made, send payment notification to David Ng at 98332786

Registration deadline: When bus is full at 40pax

Senior Members' Fellowship

## Talk on the CNY Culture in Our Society

Join us as we reflect on what constitutes Chinese culture and what principles we can adopt so that we can be effective ambassadors of Christ before our relatives and friends while still holding true to our faith.

**9 Jan 2025 | 10.30am to 12pm | Prayer Halls A-B**

**Speaker: Dr Lai Pak Wah**



Dr Lai Pak Wah is Principal and Lecturer at the Biblical Graduate School of Theology (BGST) and has taught and researched in a wide range of subjects. He is also the author of "The Dao of Healing: Christian Perspectives on Chinese Medicine". He and his family worship at Mt Carmel Bible Presbyterian Church.

To register, contact David at [davidng@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:davidng@cathedral.org.sg)  
or 9833 2786.

# Inner Healing Course

**What is inner healing?**

**Is there any connection with demonisation?**

**And how do we differentiate demonisation from mental health issues?**

Revd Dr Joel Leow is currently on staff at Church of Our Saviour. He will share from his knowledge and experiences after his own unexpected deliverance from demons in 2001. He studied with Prof Charles Kraft at the Fuller Theological Seminary's Doctor of Ministry spiritual warfare programme.



**5, 12, 19 April 2025**  
**9am to 12pm | Prayer Halls**

Register by 9 Mar 2025: <https://forms.gle/wQcHY7YcXz6Gd8cv5>

For enquiries, please email [karenchua@rocketmail.com](mailto:karenchua@rocketmail.com)

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.



St Andrew's Cathedral  
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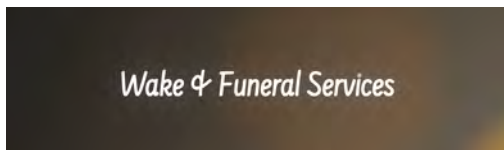
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## Cell Group

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:

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## Wake & Funeral Services

### Arrangement of Wake & Funeral Services

Visit the webpage for more information:  
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- Associate Chaplain (WAC)
- Communications Executive
- Verger

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For enquiries, please email [carpark@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:carpark@cathedral.org.sg)



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Online

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## PayNow

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11 St Andrew's Road, Singapore 178959

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## FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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**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 [finance@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:finance@cathedral.org.sg) for clarification on designated mission partners and causes.



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THE MOST REVD DR TITUS GHUNG  
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(CCEA)



## Synod Presidential Address

Hear Bishop Titus' heart for our diocese  
in this season!

Download a copy from  
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