



22 NOVEMBER 2020 COLLECT FOR CHRIST THE KING/ SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46

CHURCH ONLINE

We invite you and your family to worship the Lord with us online.

Join us by clicking on these links:

English Service (every Sunday from 7am)

Mandarin Online Service



Bishop of Singapore and Dean Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung **Vicar** Revd Canon Terry Wong

Clergy Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi, Revd Bertram Cheong, Revd Joshua Raj,
Revd Hambali Leonardi, Revd Calvin Wee, Revd Moses Israeli

Auxiliary Clergy Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay, Revd Soon Soo Kee, Revd Christopher Tan, Revd Freddy Lim

Deaconesses Ds Bessie Lee, Ds June Tan, Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan

THE VICAR WRITES



THANK YOU

n my first message as Vicar at the Cathedral Family Camp in 2015, I referenced to Hebrews 10:24,25. I shared on how we were looking forward to growing in our faith along with the Cathedral community. We will stir one other to "love and good works."

Indeed, this five-year journey has been an enriching experience. I have learned so much about my faith, pastoring, the church community and leadership. The friendships that we have forged are enriching. I have enjoyed immensely working with my fellow clergy, deaconesses, staff and lay leaders.

Truth be told, I thought that I would be staying longer and perhaps even retire here as my last station, given my age and season in life. As I shared at the start of this year, I felt I had finally settled down and could count SAC as my home church and family. That was of course before I knew of my posting and yes, none of us could predict that 2020 would be a pandemic year.

My view of ministry has always been longterm and it has been so in the way I pastored and led the work here. I was also taking my time to form friendships and build trust, person by person, in what is obviously a large parish with



dispersed communities. Added to that, in some significant ways, the Cathedral stood still this year. There are many members whom I have not met in person for many months now.

And so, if it is hard to say goodbye, indeed it is even harder in such a time. Like a song which is stopped halfway, truncation; ministry or friendship-wise; will undoubtedly accompany every change of parish leadership.

You have heard me say, "Love deeply, but hold lightly." I will certainly pass the latter with flying colours but I am less sure about the first part. And so, if in any way I have been less a pastor or brother to you, do accept my sincere apologies. I am quite sure that these misgivings do happen in the line of duty. Charles Mackay's quote comes to mind:

"He who has mingled in the fray of duty that the brave endure, must have made foes. If you have none, small is the work that you have done ... You've never turned the wrong to right. You've been a coward in the fight."

In church work, the fight is never against one another, for we have a far sinister common enemy. Every ministry initiative and dream were attempts to help Cathedral find a cutting edge, to grow into her calling and be more luminous in a dark world.

This I can say from the depths of my heart. That I have dreamed of a warm. loving, welcoming community with an influence that reaches far and wide. politicians or blue-collar whether workers, whether cosmopolitan latte "city-zens" or "kopi kau" heartlanders. I have dreamed of an Anglican Church which plays no second fiddle to the attractive independent church upstarts which are gathering in conference halls around us. And a Cathedral which is flourishing in her church music, liturgy and arts which plays non second fiddle to more established churches like our Roman Catholic counterparts. The idea is not to compete with them but to discover our own confidence, calling, place and responsibility as an Anglican Church, rich in history but alive to a modern and fast-changing world. Situated right at the heart of the city, our bequeathed historical cross-shaped property can be just a monument to history. Or it can be a monument to a living God, with her bells fully ringing with gospel proclamation in this city. If statistic matters, the growth in our services in the last five years may well indicate that in some ways, some good seeds were growing and taking shape.

And so, we say goodbye. Saddened because of bonds of love but unshaken in faith. That He will continue to build His Church. That whether Paul or Apollos (1 Corinthians 3:5-9), we are merely co-labourers for God. We can have every confidence in the renewed team led by Revd Lewis Lew that He will fulfil His purpose. Like Prophet Moses who could not enter the Promise Land or King David who was not allowed to build the temple, we clergy will always know that the work is far larger then our gifts and far longer then our life-spans. Like a relay race, we are to be faithful in running each leg and to pass the baton well when it is time.

Meanwhile, there are lights that need to be lit in every corner of this city. Pray for me that I will remain faithful in shining a light in the east. And as for you, please be faithful in doing your part to build up this precious body of Christ that St Andrew's Cathedral is.

I will always thank God for every remembrance of each of you.

It has been a rich privilege to journey with you.

THANK YOU.

Love in Christ,

Terry and Jennifer Wong

PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS



THE WORLD

Typhoon Vamco has left a trail of death and destruction across the Philippines and Vietnam. It caused widespread devastation across the northern Philippines which had already been hard hit by Typhoon Molave and Super Typhoon Goni in late October and early November. It has also taken 67 lives, making it the deadliest storm of the year. The storm weakened as it travelled westwards from the Philippines but still caused serious destruction in Vietnam. About 400,000 homes there have been destroyed or damaged, roads and bridges have been washed away and crops have been destroyed. Pray for the successful and speedy rescue of thousands of people trapped after the catastrophic floods; for the governments to organise the distribution of food, medical supplies and provide temporary shelters for the homeless. Pray for international aid to help the affected people rebuild their lives and restore their means of livelihood.

SINGAPORE

Pray for divine wisdom and discernment as Singapore works with other global partners to strengthen international trade and cooperation in a bid to help economies recover from the fallout caused by the pandemic. Pray also for clear direction as our government continues its efforts to restructure our economy, help businesses reinvent themselves and enable our workforce to acquire the required skills to meet the needs of emerging new sectors. Pray for a comprehensive safe management system to be in place to prepare for Phase 3 of our re-opening and for the safe opening of more travel bubbles with other countries.

DIOCESE

Clergy on Overseas Assignment & Others; Retired Clergy; Retired Deaconess

Pray for clergy who are on overseas assignments and sabbatical, to be anointed and empowered by God to accomplish the purpose for which they have been sent forth; for those on sabbatical to be renewed, restored and enriched in their time with the Lord. Pray for protection over each one of them and their families, especially during this global health crisis.

Pray that our retired clergy and deaconess will find God's purpose for them, in this different season of their lives; that they will continue to give of themselves to His service and find fulfilment in their new roles and responsibilities. Pray for good health and strength in body, mind and spirit and for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit to renew and refresh them on life's journey.

CATHEDRAL

Prayer & Praise (24 Nov 2020, 7.14 pm)

Pray that the Lord will be mightily present with us in our time of online prayer; that we will come together in a spirit of expectancy, to be nourished by His word, encouraged by testimonies of the family and strengthened in faith by His grace. Pray that the spirit of intercession will fall upon us as we cry out to God in prevailing prayer, believing that He is working out His sovereign purpose for the welfare of our church and our nation.

All are welcome to worship in the Nave CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

WEEKLY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

The Services on Saturdays and Sundays will be conducted for up to 100 worshippers.

Services held on the weekdays will be for up to 50 worshippers.

Each Service will be for about an hour. Worshippers may attend individually or in groups of not more than 5 each.

Sat	:	11.30am 4.30pm	in Mandarin in English
Sun	:	7.30am	in English
	:	9.30am	in Mandarin
	:	11.30am	in English
	:	2.30pm	in Mandarin
	:	4.30pm	in English
Wed	:	12.30pm	in English
Thu	:	12.30pm	in English

ADMISSION

Please book your preferred date and time of Service; only worshippers who book may be admitted into the Services.

Worshippers can do this online at <u>cathedral.org.sg/cws</u> or phone 63376104. Bookings open at 1pm, a week before the day of the Service (eg. booking for a Sunday Service on 30 August will be open at 1pm on Sunday,23 August), and close at 1pm a day before the Service. For Services in Mandarin please call 63392435. Walkins will not be allowed entry.

PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR ENTRY & EXIT

If you are coming to the Cathedral on foot, use the MRT Gate (the pedestrian gate next to the Cathedral Café) for entry and exit.

If you are driving,

enter by the SRC Gate (the vehicular gate facing the Singapore Recreation Centre) and exit by the Padang Gate. Worshippers may park their vehicles in the allocated parking space.

Please arrive early, but not earlier than 30 minutes before the start of a Service.

Worshippers (and their vehicles) must leave the church premises not later than 30 minutes after the Service ends.

For weekday Services,

worshippers will enter the Nave by the North Transept Door and exit by the 2 doors leading to the North and South Transepts.

For weekend Services,

the first 50 worshippers will enter by the North Transept Door and be seated in the Upper Nave (pews in the front of the Nave). They will exit by the 2 doors leading into the North and South Transepts. The other 50 worshippers will enter by the West Door and be seated in the Lower Nave (pews at the back of the Nave). They will exit by the same door.

SAFE ENTRY

- 2 Safe Entry stations are located at the MRT Gate and the Tent next to the Nave. Proceed to either one and ...
- 1) Present your **e-ticket**. Your attendance will be time-stamped.
- 2) Have your **temperature taken**. If it is 37.5 degrees C or lower,
- 3) Check-in using **Safe Entry** QR Code, Singpass or NRIC/FIN.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES*: Masks

must be worn at all times, except when communicants are partaking of the bread and wine.

Mingling

Worshippers are reminded not to mingle before and after each Service, and to leave the church premises promptly after the end of the Service. The gates will be closed 30 minutes after the end of each Service.

PRIVATE WORSHIP

DAILY, FROM 10AM TO 4PM

Except on Mondays, Saturdays and Sundays, worshippers may enter the Nave for personal prayer, individually or in groups of not more than 5 each.

BOOKING A PRAYER SESSION

Each session is for 30 minutes, starting on the hour. Please phone 63376014 to book an appointment. Subject to availability, walk-ins may be permitted.

ENTRY INTO THE CATHEDRAL

All will enter the Cathedral premises by the MRT Gate (next to the Welcome Centre / Café). There will be no entry to vehicles; drivers are advised to park their cars in the carparks outside the church.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES*:

The advisory for Congregational Worship applies.

If you need prayer or someone to talk to, please phone **The Listening Room** at 83879914, 10am – 6pm, daily.

THE CATHEDRAL IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS



singer

Ds June Tan

Smitten by Bathsheba

Revd Bertram Cheong



Join us

for a chat with the Vicar and your Service pastors.

SATURDAY 4:30pm Service "The Upper Room Devotion" 10.00am

To Join, click HERE

SUNDAY 7am Service

6.15 - 6.45am Pre-Service Prayer 8.20am to 9.30am Zoom Meeting To Join, click <u>HERE</u> 9am Service 9.00am To Join, click HERE







Gather in groups
(within the permitted number)
in homes to celebrate
holy communion
together.
(Heb. 10:24-25).

Online Holy Communion Service

29 November, 10.30 am





LIGHT UP

Sun 20 Dec 2020 | 7.30pm | St Andrew's Cathedral

(Will be live-streamed on YouTube and our social media platforms)

A FESTIVAL SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

A Reflective Candlelight Service through music, and lesson readings featuring the Christmas Cantata "In Nativitate Domini" by Johann Vierdanck (1605-1646) and A Child Is Born by Samuel Scheidt (1587- 1654)

from Cantiones Sacrae Octo Vocum

presented by the St Andrew's Cathedral Combined Choir

Booking to this event will be made available from 10 December 2020

DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES ONLINE



cathedral.org.sg/dcbs

*Module 1A Background Overview of the Old Testament

Bible Origins, the Hebrew Canon and the World of the OT

Instructor: Ms Vivien Chen
7 JAN 2021 • 1 THURSDAY ONLY

[†]Module 1B Background Overview of the New Testament

Bible Origins, the NT Canon and the Socio-Political World of the NT

Instructor: Ds Ti Lian Swan

7 JAN 2021 • 1 THURSDAY ONLY

*Module 5 The Minor Prophets

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Nahum, Micah, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Zechariah, Haggai, Malachi Instructors: Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan, Ps Geraldine Lau, Mr James Tan

14 JAN - 18 MAR 2021 • 9 THURSDAYS

*Module 8A The Gospels (I) | 14 Jan - 18 Mar

Matthew, Luke

Instructors: Mrs Michelle Tan (TWPC), Ps Angeline Leong (MSC)

14 JAN - 18 MAR 2021 • 9 THURSDAYS

'Introductory Modules 1A/1B are FREE. *Course Fee (Module 5/8A): \$10 per module. (Payable online or via crossed cheque to St Andrew's Cathedral). No lesson on 11 Feb 2021, eve of Lunar New Year. Please register early to avoid missing any lessons. Visit cathedral.org.sg/dcbs for more details.



The St Andrew's Cathedral Marriage Preparation Course is a series of seven sessions designed to help couples develop strong foundations for a lasting marriage.

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.

Topics covered include:

- •A Biblical Perspective on Marriage Communication Conflict
- Commitment
- Connection Adventure Financial planning Course fees is \$100 per couple, payable in cash on the 1st Session.

Course Dates:

1st Run: 2 February to 16 March 2021 | Tuesdays 7pm to 9.30pm

Venue : To be confirmed

2nd Run: 6 July to 17 August 2021 | Tuesdays 7pm to 9.30pm

Venue: To be confirmed

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

organised by the Senior Members Fellowship

God is Love: Surrender to Love through Art (2)

Thursday, 26th Nov 1pm to 2.30pm

Person to contact:
David Ng, WhatsApp
98332786 or email:
davidng@cathedral.org.sg
The Zoom link
will be sent later



SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's building historic have succumbed environmental wear and The Restoration tear. Works will involve re-plastering and painting of interior and exterior walls. timber carpentry, stone works, metal works, electrical

works, plumbing and roof works. The Project is expected to take 3 years. The cost of \$6million will be paid out from the Cathedral Heritage Fund (CHF) set up to fund this Project as well as future heritage and building works.

HOW TO GIVE

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

The CHF, as of 17 November 2020:

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: \$1.37m

Balance to be raised: \$1.25m



FOR TITHES AND GENERAL OFFERINGS

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

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)

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

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.

CHEQUES

• Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

On the reverse side of the cheque, you may indicate your Tithing number (if any).

For specific donations

• Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

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 more information, please visit cathedral.org.sg/giving

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