



LIGHT OF

hope

A FESTIVAL SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

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



The event will be livestreamed at <https://cathedral.org.sg/lnc>



## 19/20 DECEMBER 2020 COLLECT FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of 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

## 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](#)

2020 year of  
**DISCIPLESHIP**  
dig deep • walls down • bridges out

**Bishop of Singapore and Dean** Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

**Vicar** Revd Canon Terry Wong, **Vicar-Designate** Revd Lewis Lew

**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

REVD LEWIS LEW

### The DEEPER Life: experiencing HIS LOVE

**D**uring this time of the year, it's easy to be distracted by all the things that need to get done in the next few weeks. It's easy to read the headlines and wonder if love really can overcome the darkness and hatred in our world. It's easy to allow worry over tomorrow—or next week or next year—to overwhelm us and keep us from feeling loved.

We can bring all of these concerns to God. We can surrender our deepest hurts and concerns to him. When we bring all this to Him, His love will fill us and renew us. Remember, there is nothing, and no one, who can separate us from the Love of God. This love cannot be contained or constrained by anything. As the apostle, Paul stated, "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39).

"And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long

and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:17-19). Let this season of Advent be one that each one of us is embraced by the love of God through the gift of His Son.



# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

## THE WORLD

At a recent summit UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres called on world leaders to declare states of “climate emergency” to accelerate reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. The virtual summit aimed at building momentum for greater national commitments ahead of climate talks in late 2021. The impacts of climate change are becoming increasingly evident in disasters from wildfires in the U.S to melting ice caps, more intense hurricanes, and fast-rising sea levels. Pray that world leaders will heed the calls for emergency action and that their economic recovery packages in the wake of COVID19, will incorporate transition to a low-carbon future. Pray for international cooperation to radically cut dependence on fossil fuels, change agricultural practices, reverse the production of greenhouse gases and create millions of jobs globally as countries collectively recover from COVID19.

## SINGAPORE

Pray for our government to be divinely guided as they steward our country’s investments in the areas of research and development under a 5 year Research, Innovation and Enterprise (RIE) 2025 plan. According to PM Lee Hsien Loong, “our continued investments in R & D will sustain our competitiveness and bolster our status as a tech and innovation hub....With the profound uncertainties ahead, RIE 2025 will be a crucial differentiator in refreshing our economic strategy and securing our future for a post COVID world.” Pray that Singapore will be a blessing to the nations in the area of scientific and technological advancements; that we may contribute significantly to the global effort, aimed at meeting the challenges of a reshaped world economy and climate change.

## Celebrate Christmas in Singapore (20-24 Dec 2020)

Thank God for the faithfulness of His people in bringing CCIS to Singapore over the last 17 years. Pray that as CCIS goes online this year amid COVID, it will have an even wider reach to local and overseas viewers. Pray that every offering of worship to our Lord, in song and in the sharing of His word, will be mightily used to plant the seed of the gospel in the hearts of the viewers and draw many to Christ.

## DIOCESE

### St Paul’s Church

Pray for the Vicar Revd Jeremy Ponniah and the leadership team as they shepherd the flock and seek to deepen discipleship in the parish; for the preparations and planning for the launch in early 2021 of a new contemporary service on Saturday evenings at 5pm. Pray also for the smooth transition for St Paul’s Church Kindergarten in 2021 to come under the ambit of the Anglican Pre-School Services.

## CATHEDRAL

### Lessons & Carols (20 Dec, 7.30 pm)

Pray that God’s awesome presence will be experienced by all who are onsite or participating in this worship Service online; that God’s anointed word through the lessons and carols will touch and move the hearts of people everywhere; that many will encounter our living Lord in a deep and personal way, as the Holy Spirit ministers to each one. Pray that every heart will be open to receive the Saviour’s love as they respond to His call to return to Him and surrender their lives to Him.

### Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services

Pray for God’s anointing upon the preaching of His word in these two Services, that the message of Christmas and its true meaning, will be heard by thousands. Pray that they will come to really know Jesus as the Light of Hope, who gave His life for us that we may truly live.

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## SERVICES IN THE CATHEDRAL

# 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	in Mandarin
	: 4.30pm	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 [cathedral.org.sg/cws](http://cathedral.org.sg/cws) 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. Walk-ins 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.

### SAFE ENTRY

**2 Safe Entry stations are located at the Drop Off Point and the Tent next to the Nave.**

**Safe Entry Check-in via TraceTogether Token or App only. SafeEntry check-ins by SingPass or QR Code will be discontinued immediately.**

With effect from 6 Dec 2020, all entry to St Andrew's Cathedral compound must be done with the TraceTogether app or token. As an interim measure for the month of December, your NRIC card may be used, if you have not already obtained the TraceTogether token or apps.

## 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.

## Pilot Test to hold CWS for 250

St Andrew's Cathedral has been selected by MCCY to hold worship services for up to 250 worshippers. We will be making the following changes to comply with MCCY guidelines:

### Initial trial for 150 worshippers

For the month of December, starting from 6 Dec 2020, the 11.30 am English Service and the 9.30 am Mandarin Service will be conducted for 150 worshippers – split into 3 clusters of 50 worshippers: Upper Nave, Lower Nave and South Transept Hall.

All other Congregational Worship Services will remain unchanged, in terms of size and venue.

### CWS will be video-recorded

All Congregational Worship Services will be video-recorded. All worshippers and service personnel are required to wear masks and to comply with the authorities' Safe Management measures for religious organisations, including SafeEntry, temperature checks, attendance taking and safe distancing. There is to be no mingling before, during, or after Services.

### Choice of the Cluster you will be seated in when you book for CWS

Worshippers may now choose the cluster they wish to be seated in when booking to come for the Service. Changes after booking will not be accepted.

### Christmas Week and into 2021

We will be allowed to increase to a total of 250 worshippers, for the Christmas week Services (Lessons and Carols, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services) if the initial trial is successful. More information of the Christmas Week Services will be released soon.

More services at the CNS will be added from 2021.

## 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 car parks outside the church.

### COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES\*:

The advisory for Congregational Worship applies.


**THE CATHEDRAL  
IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS**



# christmas + New Year's Eve

AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL 2020


Light of Hope  
**Lessons & Carols**  
**SUN 20 DEC, 7.30PM**

Join us online 

**Christmas Eve**  
**THU 24 DEC, 11.00PM**


Service with Holy Communion

Cathedral Bells will chime  
from 10pm - 10.30pm

Join us online 

**New Year's Eve**  
**THU 31 DEC, 11.00PM**

Service with Holy Communion

Join us online 

**Christmas Day**  
**FRI 25 DEC, 8.00AM**

Service with Holy Communion

Join us online 



**Advent Reflections**

with Scripture and Poetry

from Nov 29 at 8am, 12pm and 5pm  
on Cathedral SG Live

**Sunday, 27 Dec**  
**7.30AM, 11.30AM, 4.30PM**

Service with Holy Communion



*come,  
let us adore Him!*



## Christmas Holy Communion Services

▶ **Thur 24 December, 11.00pm**

▶ **Fri 25 December, 8.00am**

These Services will be livestreamed

and you are encouraged to gather in groups  
*(within the permitted number)*

in homes to celebrate holy communion together.

(Heb. 10:24-25).





**Join us** for a chat with  
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 [HERE](#)

**9am Service 9.00am**  
To Join, click [HERE](#)



## LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

The glory of the Lord has been revealed

**Jesus is the Light of the world**

Jesus Christ is the light of the world  
**a light no darkness can quench.**

The darkness is not dark to you,  
**the night is as bright as the day.**

Let your light scatter the darkness  
**and fill your Church with your glory.**



S T A N D R E W ' S C A T H E D R A L

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
**COMMUNION SERVICE**  
**THU 31 DEC 20, 11.00PM**

Booking opens on Wed 16 Dec, 12noon





# THE QUIET GARDEN ONLINE RETREAT

**2nd January 2021**  
**9am to 12.30pm**

## Recollect Review Re-envision

In this retreat, you will recollect the events of the year past. With gratitude, review the events and take a walk with the Lord through the year. We will spend time to wait upon the Lord for a renewed vision for the new year. Meditation materials will be emailed to you and you are free to use your own materials.

**To register:**

<https://forms.gle/Lyu7yDjX8D6DetUg9>

**Enquiries:** [priscillachua@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:priscillachua@cathedral.org.sg)

## SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building that have succumbed to environmental wear and tear. The Restoration Works will involve re-plastering and re-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 16 December 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:	\$1.38m
<b>Balance to be raised:</b>	<b>\$1.24m</b>

# DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES ONLINE

[cathedral.org.sg/dcbs](http://cathedral.org.sg/dcbs)



**JAN  
– MAR  
2021  
THURS  
7:30 PM  
– 9 PM**

## **†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 • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **†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 • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **\*Module 5** The Minor Prophets

*Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Nahum, Micah, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Zechariah, Haggai, Malachi*

Instructors: Rev Edwin Tan (SACC), Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan, Ps Geraldine Lau

**14 JAN - 18 MAR 2021 • 9 THURSDAYS • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **\*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 • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

**†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](http://cathedral.org.sg/dcbs) for more details.

# GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS

## ON-LINE BANKING

## CHEQUES

### 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](mailto: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](https://cathedral.org.sg/giving)

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