

<b>DUTY ROSTER</b>	<b>SATURDAY 30/12/2017</b>	<b>SUNDAY 31/12/2017</b>	<b>NEXT SATURDAY 6/1/2018</b>	<b>NEXT SUNDAY 7/1/2018</b>
Worship Officiant	Patrick Lee	Ps Loon Fu-Man	<b>No '1 John' Service.  Combined Covenant Service on Sunday, 7 Jan 2018</b>	Revd Bernard Yee
Celebrant	-			Revd John Lin
Holy Communion Assistant	-	-		Revd Bernard, Hide le, Patrick Lee, Ps Luyang & Ps Roger
Community Praise Team	IHMS-Sat	IHMS-Sun		Livingstreams
Preacher	Mr Albert Lee			Revd John Lin
Scripture Text	Psalm 100			Deuteronomy 8:1-20; Matthew 22:34-40
Sermon Title	-			Remember the Lord your God
Scripture Reader	Jaymie Lin	Samuel Lim		Tan Rui Lin
Ushering Team	BBW116	JP14		TAAF Club / DR30
Floral Arrangement	Shirley Gan			Helen Lim
Refreshment	-	Christel Paul		Wong Lee May
Treasurer	Nellie Nam	Ding Cho Li		Florence Ho
Treasury Witness	Elly	Aimin & Alyss		Cho Ling & Bee Kuan
Staff On Duty	Doris & Patrick	Ps Roger & Ps Alan		Ps Fu-Man & Susan; Lydia & Ps Luyang

### Upcoming Events

Combined Covenant Service on 7 Jan 2018  
 Church Leaders' Training on 14 Jan 2018  
 PCC Meeting on 16 Jan 2018  
 Church Prayer Meeting on 26 Jan 2018

#### Worship Service on Saturday

**English Service** 4.30 pm at Sanctuary

#### Ministries

**Home cell Fellowship** 8.00pm on Fridays  
**Youth Meeting** 2.00pm on Saturdays  
 at Patmos Hall

#### Worship Services on Sunday

**English Service** 9.00 am at Sanctuary  
**Cantonese Service** 9.00 am at Patmos Hall  
**Mandarin Service** 11.15 am at Sanctuary  
**Hokkien Service** 11.15 am at Patmos Hall

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**School Gate E Open for Entry:** Saturday: 12.30pm-2.30pm & 3.15pm-5.15pm

Sunday: 8.00am-9.00am & 10.30am-11.15am

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**A Warm Welcome to all our guests**

**Do send your children** to our Children's Ministry. We have a well-supervised and nurturing programme for your children. 'Kids For Christ' (7 to 12 years) and 'Little Lambs' (24 months to 6 years). There is also a Toddlers' Room upstairs.

**Please do not feel obliged** to participate in the offertory. The offertory is meant for Christians.

**After the service, do stay back** for a cup of coffee. We would like to get to know you better.

**Do join us again next week.** We look forward to having you worship God with us again.

Speaker : Mr Albert Lee

Scripture Text : Psalm 100



For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100:5



**COLLECT**

**First Sunday of Christmas**

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever. Amen.

**“And this gospel of the Kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”**

**(Matthew 24:14)**

## Vicar writes

Dear family in Christ

As we come to the end of year 2017, may our hearts be joyful in praise of the Lord for who He is and be filled with gratitude to God for all His blessings in our life. May we sing like the grateful psalmist, "*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!*" (Psalm 103:1).

As we reflect on all the issues, events and circumstances that have happened in the various areas of our life, let us give thanks to God and "*forget not all his benefits*" (Psalm 103:2-5)

- ✓ *who forgives all your iniquity*
- ✓ *who heals all your diseases*
- ✓ *who redeems your life from the pit*
- ✓ *who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy*
- ✓ *who satisfies you with good, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

Thanks be to God for His loving forgiveness, merciful healing, gracious redemption, steadfast love and faithful goodness.

I know and remember that for some brothers and sisters in our church community, this past year has been filled with difficult, challenging and painful situations in your life or that of your family and loved ones. May you find rest and strength in the Lord and grow in trusting the loving Shepherd deeply.

*"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit, you may abound in hope."* Romans 15:13

Blessings in Christ  
Pastor John

## Intercession

### LOOKING BACK AT 2017

#### THANKS TO GOD

**Lyrics:** August Ludvig Storm

**Music:** John Alfred Hultman

Thanks, O God, for boundless mercy  
From Thy gracious throne above  
Thanks for ev'ry need provided  
From the fullness of Thy love  
Thanks for daily toil and labour  
And for rest when shadows fall  
Thanks for love of friend and neighbour  
And Thy goodness unto all

Thanks for thorns as well as roses  
Thanks for weakness and for health  
Thanks for clouds as well as sunshine  
Thanks for poverty and wealth!  
Thanks for pain as well as pleasure  
All Thou sendest day by day  
And Thy Word our dearest treasure  
Shedding light upon our way

Thanks, O God, for home and fireside  
Where we share our daily bread  
Thanks for hours of sweet communion  
When by Thee our souls are fed!  
Thanks for grace in time of sorrow  
And for joy and peace in Thee  
Thanks for hope today, tomorrow  
And for all eternity!

### Reading through the whole Bible

We encourage everyone to make time to read through the whole Bible in 2018. Enclosed please find the "Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan (Navpress)" for your use. Let us encourage one another to grow in spiritual maturity.

### 2017 Tithe and Freewill Offering

Members are requested to make their Tithe and Freewill Offering for Year 2017 before end of December 2017.

### Tithe and Freewill Offering Pledge Form

In continual obedience to the Lord, we encourage all church members and regular worshippers to return God's tithe to Him as our act of worship. Thank you for prayerfully responding to the Lord in the renewal of 2018 Tithe and Freewill Offering.

We request your help to fill up the "Pledge Form 2018", which is available at the ushers' table, and drop the completed form into the Pledge Form Box. For any queries, please approach our Pledge Secretary, sister Nellie Nam.

### 2018 Pledge Envelopes

The pledge envelopes for 2018 are ready for collection at ushers' table.

### Covenant Renewal Service

There will be a combined Covenant Service on **Sunday, 7 January 2018 at 10.00am** in our sanctuary. It will be a time of thanksgiving and renewal of our covenant with God.

**"1 John" Service will not be held on Saturday, 6 January 2018.**

### Church Leaders' Training

The training will be held on **Sunday, 14 January 2018, 11.30am to 1.30pm** at the SMSS Learning Lab. The training is based on the book "Leadership Essentials". Please prepare Bible study lesson 5 "The Posture of a Leader: TEAMING – Building teams to accomplish our corporate mission."

### PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC meeting on **Tuesday, 16 January 2018 at 7.30pm**. PCC members are encouraged to come from 6.45pm onwards for a time of prayer.

### 2018 Church Retreat

The church retreat will be held from the **3 to 6 June 2018** (Sunday to Wednesday) at Tunamaya Beach Resort, Desaru. The speaker is Canon Yee Ching Wah. The Children's speaker is Mr Darius Foo.

You are encouraged to set aside this dates to attend this retreat and we look forward to seeing you there!