

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS

19 – 20 January 2019 Holy Communion

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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: Revd John Lin

Sermon Title : Comfort, O Comfort My People

Text : Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 3:1-12

Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Isaiah 40: 10-11

COLLECT

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mission and Purpose: As we see the gracious salvation plan in the missional heart of God, may we be a missionary church of Spirit-filled committed disciples of Jesus Christ, always ready to take the gospel to the nations.

Vicar writes

Dear church family

As children of God, it is such a great joy and privilege to be in a close loving relationship with our Abba Father. In this intimate relationship, we listen to God through His **Word** and we converse with God in **prayer**. I pray that Word and prayer will always be an integral part of our spiritual walk with the Lord daily.

- 1. Word Let us encourage one another as God's community to read through the whole Bible in one year for 2019. Our church is using the "Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan". Please collect a copy of this Bible reading plan at the resource table located at our church entrance. If you may need more than one year to complete the reading, please feel to do so. The purpose is to read the Bible regularly for our spiritual growth and maturity.
- 2. Prayer Let us gather as God's people to pray together at our monthly prayer meetings, in our cells and during church service. We pray for one another and for God's work of the gospel in evangelism and missions. I would like to introduce the Operation World Prayer Guide which I am using for daily prayer. It is a useful prayer guide in praying for every nation of the world and help us see God at work in all these nations. You can download the "Operation World Prayer Guide" App onto your mobile phone for free from Google store. May we grow in our prayer life and may the Lord open our eyes and heart as we pray for the nations.

Through Word and Prayer, may we grow in a close walk with the Lord and in spiritual maturity.

Maranatha

Pastor John

Intercession

Home Cells

St John's Chapel is a Church with home cells. The home cells exist for the purpose of Edification - to build up one another and Evangelism - help others to receive and to know Christ in personal relationship.

Prayer Points:

- 1. Home cell leaders will continue to grow in the Word and walking in the Holy Spirit in relationship and guidance.
- 2. Home cell leaders will continue to shepherd their members with love and care.
- 3. Home cell members will walk closer with the Lord and love Him more.
- 4. Home cell members will be diligent in reaching out to others. "

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." Hebrews 10:24-25

Combined English Worship Service on 3 February 2019 at 9.00am No Saturday Service on 2 February 2019

Wedding

We rejoice with Mr Ng Yi Yi and Miss Yeo Yun Jing who have filed their notice of marriage with the Registry of Marriages. Their wedding date is on **26 January 2019, Saturday**. If you know of any reason why they may not lawfully marry, you are required to inform the Vicar of St John's Chapel, or the Registrar of Marriages before the wedding.

Church Prayer Meeting

The church prayer meeting will be held in the Patmos Hall on **Friday**, **25 January 2019**, **7.45pm to 9.15pm**. Revd John will be teaching on "Church as a Community of Prayer" - lesson 5: Take Time to Contemplate on God and His Word. Let's come together as one body to intercede for individuals, families, various ministries in the church, and for Singapore and other nations. Kenneth Sng will lead us in the prayer, the praise team is FH50K homecell. Staff onduty is Ps Fu-Man & Susan Ling.

Acts Centre

Acts Centre (extension centre of St Andrew's Cathedral) worships in My Saviour's church. The church will be undergoing renovation from **27 Jan to 30 Apr 2019**. During this period, Acts Centre will be using the SMSS Performing Arts Studio & four classrooms in Indoor Sports Hall. They will use space behind the canteen (enter via Gate B) for parking facilities. Their service is from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Ministry activities till 4.00pm on alternate odd Sundays. SJCp official closing time will still be at 3.30pm.

Alpha Course

Explore the meaning of life on an Alpha Course where people can come to relax, eat and talk about "real life stories". It is for everyone interested in discovering what Christianity is about and to explore the meaning of life together. Take this opportunity to invite any of your family members, colleagues or friends who have yet to know about the Christian faith.

Date Commencing: 27 Feb 2019 (Wed) Introductory session

Time: 7pm Duration:10 weeks Venue: St. Jame's Church

For those interested, please email Revd Bernard Yee by 20 February 2019.



Be an Andrew Initiative (Personal Evangelism Training)

The Celebration of Hope planning committee has organized trainings to engage all Christians through "Praying, Engaging and of Gathering" as tools of personal evangelism. We strongly encourage for all to sign up for any **ONE** of the four training dates and venues:

North	Covenant Evangelical Free Church	23 February,	9am - 12.30pm
Central	St Andrew's Cathedral	2 March,	9am - 12.30pm
East	Lighthouse Evangelism (Tampines)	9 March,	9am - 12.30pm
West	St John's-St Margaret's	16 March,	9am – 12.30pm

Please email Revd Bernard (<u>Bernard@patmos.org.sg</u>) with copy to Lydia Leong (<u>dianalydia@patmos.org.sg</u>) to indicate your preferred choice of training date by 27 January 2019.

DUTY ROSTER	SATURDAY 19/1/2019	SUNDAY 20/1/2019	NEXT SATURDAY 26/1/2019	NEXT SUNDAY 27/1/2019
Worship Officiant	Hide le	Ho Boon Sing	Ps Loon Fu-Man	Ds Lena Lim
Celebrant	Revd John Lin		-	
Holy Communion Assistant	Ps Fu-Man, Hide Ie & Patrick Lee	Ps Fu-Man, Boon Sing & Kenneth Sng	-	-
Community Praise Team	Ethan		IHMS-Sat	Harmony
Preacher	Revd John Lin		Revd John Lin	
Scripture Text	Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 3:1-12		Ezra 3:1-13; 6:13-18	
Sermon Title	Comfort, O Comfort My People		Restoring the Jerusalem Temple	
Scripture Reader	Merrilyn Ong	Aileen Tung	Priscilla Yau	Tan Rui Lin
Ushering Team	BBW116	JP14	Claypots	Brew It
Floral Arrangement	Janet Kua		-	
Refreshment	-	Wong Lee May	-	Althea
Treasurer	Merrilyn Ong	Tan Pei Ching	Dawn Cheong	Ho Boon Sing
Treasury Witness	Audrey & Julian	Cho Ling & Bee Kuan	Lijie	Esther Ling & Lye Chee
Staff On Duty	Ps Yun Jing & Ds Lena	Susan & Ps Alan	Doris & Patrick	Ps Florence & Ps Lyu Yang

Upcoming Events

GB/BB Enrolment & Dedication Service on 7 April
Lent Devotions on 11 & 12 April
Maundy Thursday Service on 18 April & Good Friday Service on 19 April
Resurrection cum Baptism Service on 21 April
Combined Service cum Church AGM on 28 April

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