

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS



24 August 2019 – Evening Prayer 25 August 2019 – Morning Prayer

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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 : Dr Terence Seah

Sermon Title: Comfort in the midst of sorrow

Text : 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

COLLECT

Tenth Sunday After Trinity

Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of our brethren we do also for him; give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, but is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 family in Christ

We rejoice with the 32 brothers and sisters in Christ who were confirmed last Sunday. We give thanks to Abba Father for his merciful grace in receiving them as His beloved children. We thank God for those who have journeyed and discipled them in their Christian faith and spiritual growth. Each one of them has a wonderful story to tell of the Lord's gracious hand upon their life. Let me share a few stories.

- One came to know Jesus during her time with 52nd Girls Brigade. She is now serving in both 52nd and 59th GB.
- One heard the gospel and experienced the love of God at 64th Boys Brigade. He is a good role model to the younger BB boys.
- One had objected angrily many years ago when her daughter became a Christian.
 Now she finds joy and peace in Abba Father.
- One had faced many difficulties at work and family. Coming to faith in Jesus has given him peace and strength to cope well.
- A couple came to faith in Christ after many years of prayers and hearing the gospel. They are now filled with joy in the Lord.

For all the confirmands, just like all of us in God's community, our life is in God's hands. Our Abba Father continues to write a beautiful story in our life, as we grow more and more into the image of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us rejoice with hope and confidence like the Psalmist in Psalm 23:6, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Maranatha Pastor John

Intercession

Men United for Christ (MUFC) meets on every 3rd Saturday of the month, from 7:45am to 9.30am @ Patmos Hall for Bible study, sharing and praying for each other. Upcoming topic is: Man n his Sexuality on Saturday, 21 September 2019

Praise:

- 1) God for men that have been coming faithfully.
- 2) Thank God for open sharing from the heart and allowing MUFC to be a place where men feel safe to share and not judged.
- 3) Thank God for reminding us to seek Him n pray n not to rely on our own strength.

Prayer Request:

- 1) For genuine relationships to be built among men.
- 2) For small groups to organically form caring and journeying with one another in Christ.
- 3) For Men in SJCp to find their identity in Christ.

The Greatest Children's Carnival – 5 October 2019

Come join us for an awesome day of FUN to celebrate Children's Day from **2.30pm to 7pm.** There will be bouncy castles, giant inflated plinko game and SO MUCH MORE! There will be activities planned for parents too! A yummy dinner for parents, family and children will be served from 6pm to 7pm. It's free so don't hesitate! Register at the-greatest-carnival.eventbrite.com by 25 September 2019. Limited tickets are available. For ages 4 to 12 only. Flyers are available at usher's table.

Combined Church Prayer Meeting

Date/Time: Friday, 30 August 2019, 7.45pm to 9.15pm (Bilingual – English & Mandarin)

The gathering will be an intertwine of praise and adoration and a time of interceding for others and ourselves. (Families with young children are also welcome as we too, are catering for their participation).

ChiangMai Mission Trip

There will be a mission trip to ChiangMai from **10 to 16 December 2019**. This trip will be a English/Chinese teaching sessions for upper primary and lower secondary school students. We hope to form a team of 12 members, led by team leader Terence Lim. Preferred team composition: 5 English Teachers, 5 Chinese Teachers, 2 Volunteers cum Photographer.

The estimated cost per person is S\$1,200 (including airfare). Register with Terence Lim at terenlim@yahoo.com

Youth Camp 2019: Broken, Mended, Whole

Save the date! Come join us from **26 - 28 December 2019** (3D2N) for a camp filled with lots of interactive and enriching programs. For enquiries, please approach Ps Yun Jing, or contact Gloria (9477 7814) or Gabriel (9753 3940). Campers below the age of 18 will be required to submit a parental consent form. Look out for more updates! Alternatively you may sign up through this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSdE_MLpYB5uNUfKaaE9qXWWyos4LE-Z25zebpUsksnKQPUEqA/viewform?usp=pp_url

Christian Movie 'Overcomer'

What do you allow to define you? A touching, inspiring movie of what it means to have freedom in Christ. Relevant to all ages. Now showing till mid-September. Check movie showtimes at EagleWings Cinematics (https://www.eaglewingscinematics.com.sg). Half price for all full-time students and non-Christian friends. Get your claims from Yun Jing. The Youth Ministry will be organizing an outing to this movie on **Saturday**, **31 August 2019**, **11.30am** at Capital Tower, Tanjong Pagar. S\$6 per student. For more enquiries, please contact her at 97574532.

Seminar by Dr David Miller: "WHY ISRAEL? - AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?"

The Bible reveals the character of God – who He is and how He works. Central to that revelation is God's relationship with Israel, which is often misunderstood and mischaracterised. This seminar will focus on how to read the Scriptures as one story in the light of God's relationship with Israel, gaining deeper insight into who God is and how He works throughout the ages and in our own lives.

Come and hear guest teacher Dr David Miller on

13 September (Friday, 7.30-9.30 pm) and 14 September (Saturday, 10am-3pm) in St John's Chapel

Dr David Miller holds a doctorate in biblical literature and a licensed Israeli guide since 1986. He is a biblical seminar teacher, former university lecturer and former missionary to Kenya and South Sudan. Since January 2019, he and his wife have been based in Bangkok to develop a leadership training program for the diocese of Singapore, particularly in our mission deaneries.

DUTY ROSTER	SATURDAY 24/8/2019	SUNDAY 25/8/2019	NEXT SATURDAY 31/8/2019	NEXT SUNDAY 1/9/2019
Worship Officiant	Ps Loon Fu-Man	Florence Ho	Ps Loon Fu-Man	Kenneth Sng
Celebrant			Revd John Lin	
Holy Communion Assistant			Ps Fu-Man, Peter Soon & Patrick Lee	Kenneth Sng, Lim ah Kau & Florence Ho
Community Praise Team	Ethan		Livingstreams	
Preacher	Dr Terence Seah		Revd John Lin	
Scripture Text	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18		Romans 11:1-36	
Sermon Title	Comfort in the midst of sorrow		The Remnant and the Salvation of Israel	
Scripture Reader	Jaymie Lin-Kirk	Joshua Tung	Ps Fu-Man	Gan Pak Lim
Ushering Team	Claypots	TAAF Club & FH50K	DR30	PG160
Floral Arrangement	Helen Liew		Audrey Kua	
Refreshment	-	Mae & Aileen	-	Susan & Cho Ling
Treasurer	Nellie Nam	Helen Sng	Felyn Chan	Ding Cho Li
Treasury Witness	Victor Tay	Eileen Mok & Florence Ho	Judy Siak	Aimin & Alyss
Staff On Duty	Ps Florence & Doris	Ps Yun Jing & Ps Chwee Lian	Ds Lena & Susan	Ds Lena & Ps Alan

Upcoming Events

Seminar by Dr David Miller on 13 & 14 September 2019 Marriage Preparation Course on 1, 8, 15 & 22 September 2019 Children's Day Carnival on 5 October 2019 Church Retreat from 14 to 17 June 2020

Worship Service on Saturday

English Service 4.30 pm at Sanctuary

Ministries

Home cell Fellowship 8.00 pm on Fridays **Youth Meeting** 2.00 pm 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: 7.00am to 5.00pm

Sunday: 7.45am to 12noon