

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS



21 September 2019 – Evening Prayer 22 September 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: Revd John Lin

Sermon Title: Do not lose heart in God's ministry

Text : 2 Corinthians 4:1-18

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart.

2 Corinthians 4:1

COLLECT

Fourteen Sunday After Trinity

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who 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 thank the Lord for our church missionaries, called by God to bring the gospel of Jesus our Messiah to various ethnic people groups. Please remember them regularly in prayer, give them a call, write an email or send a card to encourage them in their ministry.

- 1. **Ian & Alison Gosling** They have been serving faithfully and strategically under a foreign missions agency. Ian provides significant IT training and development for this agency's mission outreach around the world. At the Goslings' current ministry station, they are reaching out to displaced refugees with the love of God. Please pray for Ian and Alison's health as they serve the Lord's purposes.
- 2. Gerry & Ya Hui Gan Having served faithfully in church planting work for 7 years at ChiangMai under the deanery of Thailand, praise the Lord that they had a good sabbatical rest and reflection in Singapore recently. They have resumed ministry work on 1 September. Please pray for God's grace, wisdom and strength upon Gerry & Ya Hui as they persevere on in their missional ministry among the Thai people.
- 3. **Deborah Loh** She had been back home in Singapore since October 2018 under Overseas Missionary Fellowship Admin Leave of Absence to care for her father, who went home to be with the Lord last month. There is a tentative plan for Deborah to return to the OMF mission field at Bangkok in early 2020. Please pray for her to receive the four clearances required by OMF, especially in the area of financial support.

Our church practises the two-envelope giving system. The first is the <u>Tithing</u> envelope. All tithes returned to the Lord go to the General Fund, which is used to pay staff salaries, ministry expenses, diocese quota, giving to parachurch organisations like Singapore Youth For Christ (for support of Wang Qiu Yue and Chloe Ong) and Youth Guidance Outreach Services (for support of Goh Boon Siong and Tan Xing Wei), etc.

The second is the <u>Freewill giving</u> envelope. This giving goes to the **Mission Fund**, which is used to support the above-mentioned missionaries, Komering outreach, plus ad-hoc giving to diocese deanery work and other missions work as led by the Lord. Our Mission Fund currently stands at **\$11,667** as at 31 August 2019. As the Lord enables, may I encourage us to give cheerfully and generously for the work of God's eternal kingdom.

Maranatha Pastor John

Intercession

House of Joy - Event Highlights on Saturdays

- 31 Mar - Talk on Ancestral veneration vs worship; 22 Jun - Talk on Christian response to "Hungry Ghost Festival"; 29 Jun - Parents Day Thanksgiving Lunch; 28 Sep - Outing to Jewel @ Changi Airport (Organized by Canto. Service)

Thanksgiving

- 1. The responses & sign ups for the events were quite good. Many opportunities to interact with family or friends that are not believers yet.
- 2. Through the organized talks, a few persons were challenged in their faith and came to Christ (baptize)!

Matters for Prayer

- 1. A renewal/revitalization in programme so that the outreach net can be cast wider as it is often viewed as a senior citizens outreach ministry.
- 2. To be able to find suitable programs at the right time so that as many people can participate or even invite their family & friends.
- 3. Intentional follow up.

Church Prayer Meeting

The church prayer meeting will be held in the Patmos Hall on **Friday**, **27 September 2019**, **7.45pm to 9.15pm.** Revd John will be teaching on "Church as a Community of Prayer" - lesson 11: Growing in Grace and Selflessness through Intercession. Let's come together as one body to intercede for individuals, families, various ministries in the church, and for Singapore and other nations. Ps Yun Jing will lead us in the prayer, the praise team is Selah homecell. Staff on-duty is Patrick & Doris Lee.

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.

'1 John' Service will not be held on Saturday, 5 October 2019.

Sisters' Fellowship

There have been lots of encouraging stories from our brothers in MUFC. And we certainly have not forgotten about the ladies! This October, there will be a special event just for the ladies.

Date: 28 Oct 19, Mon; **Time**: 10am to 12pm; **Venue**: Patmos Hall, SJCp To help the committee prepare for this event and future events, please take some time to fill out a quick online survey: https://forms.gle/1A1Uyw87GVsUTkbr8

For more information, please look for Grace (98591483) or Yun Jing (97574532).



Batam Mission Trip 2019

The trip is scheduled from **24 to 28 November 2019.** The team will be conducting Children's Ministry, English Lessons, distribution of goodie bags and balloon sculpting @ Suka Damai Bengkong School and the Slum Ministry @ Baloi Kolam. The Cost is S\$200 per person. Trainings will start on 26 October 2019. For more details, please contact Ps Florence Hou.

ChiangMai Mission Trip 2019

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 tripper is S\$700 (Airfares by Thai Lion Air transit at Bangkok – est. S\$400 and Common fund for meals, accommodation, etc – est. S\$300). Register with Terence Lim at terenlim@yahoo.com. For more details, please contact Terence Lim @ 98586073.

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 (94777814) or Gabriel (97533940). 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: http://bit.ly/2IQbwCR

SJCp church retreat will be held from the **14 to 17 June 2020** (Sunday to Wednesday) in Batam. More details will be announced. Please mark the date on your calendar and we look forward to seeing you there!

DUTY ROSTER	SATURDAY 21/9/2019	SUNDAY 22/9/2019	NEXT SATURDAY 28/9/2019	NEXT SUNDAY 29/9/2019
Worship Officiant	Patrick Lee	Florence Ho	Ps Yeo Yun Jing	Ho Boon Sing
Celebrant	-		-	
Holy Communion Assistant	-	-	-	-
Community Praise Team	Livingstreams		Ethan	
Preacher	Revd John Lin		Revd John Lin	
Scripture Text	2 Corinthians 4:1-18		Revelation 7:9-17	
Sermon Title	Do not lose heart in God's ministry		Behold the great multitude from every nation	
Scripture Reader	Priscilla Yau	Aileen Tung	Merrilyn Ong	Gan Pak Lim
Ushering Team	DR30	CA338	Claypots	JP14
Floral Arrangement	-		Helen Lim	
Refreshment	-	Lee May & Sunali	-	Brenda Cheong
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 & Susan	Ps Yun Jing & Ps Chwee Lian	Ds Lena & Ps Fu-Man	Ds Lena & Ps Alan Yong

Upcoming Events

Children's Carnival on 5 October 2019
Batam Mission Trip from 24 to 28 November 2019
ChiangMai Mission Trip from 10 to 16 December 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 Patmos Hall
 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