

26 January 2019 – Evening 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 : Restoring the Jerusalem Temple

Text : Ezra 3:1-13, 6:13-18



**(Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer) ...
who says of Cyrus, 'He is my shepherd,
and he shall fulfill all my purpose';
saying of Jerusalem, 'She shall be built,'
and of the temple, 'Your foundation
shall be laid.'**

Isaiah 44:28



COLLECT

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

Psalms 120 to 134 are a special group of psalms known collectively as the “**Songs of Ascents**”. Ancient Jews traveling to Jerusalem for the annual major Jewish festivals traditionally sang these songs as they ascended the uphill road towards the city. These ancient songs have been expressed in many hymns and songs of worship amongst Jews and Christians today. The songs teach us about our trust in God and our worship of God.

In Psalm 125, the psalmist expressed his trust in the Lord. He was assured of God’s sovereign protection from the wicked and felt the shalom and love of God surrounding Israel, the covenant people of God. *“Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.”* (Psalm 125:1-2)

Sometimes in our life, we go through uphill struggles, difficult situations and painful times. May we grow in trusting God deeper in the midst of our pain and difficulties and learn to be steadfast and patient. May we look to the Lord and experience the grace and power of God and learn to rest in the sovereignty of our heavenly Father who surrounds His beloved children with His love, joy and peace.

Shalom in Christ

Pastor John

Intercession

Young Adults’ Ministry

The aim of the Young Adults’ (YA) ministry are to:

- 1) Build up the faith of the young adults in SJCp. This is done through regular Bible studies and talks on topics/challenges that are relevant to young adults.
- 2) Train homecell leaders in basic exegesis and in how to disciple and lead their homecells within a structured environment, overseen by older mentors.

This is to fulfil the vision of the ministry as written in Colossians 1; that all the members will be filled *with the knowledge of God’s will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives*, so that they may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Regular activities include weekly Bible studies, monthly or bi-monthly leaders’ training, and quarterly to half-yearly talks.

Please continue to pray for the ministry;

- 1) For the Holy Spirit to keep growing all of us in wisdom and conviction of how much all of us need God and how we are all utterly dependent on Him in every aspect of our lives
- 2) For members to keep coming and to continue to encourage each other by lovingly, gently speaking God’s Word into each other lives. Keep praying that we will learn to love each other in this way, having the courage to ask the difficult and deep questions
- 3) For God’s Word to sink deep into our hearts; that His Word will be deeply ingrained into our daily actions and thoughts

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

Tekna Youth Ministry: The Bible & Penal Code 377A

With the recent debate on same-sex marriage, we will be holding a forum to discuss the issue. Do invite your friends and family to come and hear what the bible has to say on **Saturday, 9 February 2019, 2pm** in Patmos Hall. A copy of the flyer can be found at the usher's table. For enquiries, please approach Ps Yun Jing.

Alpha Course

Our church is partnering with St James' Church in the Alpha Course. This course explores the meaning of life 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 February 2019 (Wednesday)** Introductory session

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

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

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.



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 (Bernard@patmos.org.sg) with copy to Lydia Leong (dianalydia@patmos.org.sg) to indicate your preferred choice of training date by 27 January 2019.

DUTY ROSTER	SATURDAY 26/1/2019	SUNDAY 27/1/2019	NEXT SATURDAY 2/2/2019	NEXT SUNDAY 3/2/2019
Worship Officiant	Ps Loon Fu-Man	Ds Lena Lim	No '1 John' Service Combined English Worship Service on Sunday, 3 February 2019 at 9.00am	Ho Boon Sing
Celebrant	-			Revd John Lin
Holy Communion Assistant	-	-		Ds Lena, Ps Fu-Man & Boon Sing
Community Praise Team	IHMS-Sat	Harmony		Livingstreams
Preacher	Revd John Lin			Revd John Lin
Scripture Text	Ezra 3:1-13, 6:13-18			Romans 15:8-13; John 1:1-13
Sermon Title	Restoring the Jerusalem Temple			Proclaim the One Name who gives Hope
Scripture Reader	Priscilla Yau	Tan Rui Lin		Sonia le
Ushering Team	Claypots	Brew It		FH50K
Floral Arrangement	-			Doris Lee
Refreshment	-	Althea		Elsie Lim
Treasurer	Dawn Cheong	Ho Boon Sing		Helen Sng
Treasury Witness	Lijie	Esther Ling & Lye Chee		Eileen & Florence
Staff On Duty	Doris & Patrick	Ps Florence & Ps Lyu Yang		Ps Fu-Man & Lydia

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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School Gate E Open for Entry: Saturday: 8.00am-11.00am & 1.00pm-6.00pm

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