

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS

18 - 19 JULY 2020

A Warm Welcome to our Online Service. We look forward to having you worship God with us again.

Speaker: Revd John Lin

Sermon Title: We, the Citizens

of Singapore

Text : Romans 13:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

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COLLECT

Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop

The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

Assistant Bishop
The Rt Revd Low Jee King

Vicar Revd John Lin

Clergy Revd King Chiew Kwang

Deaconess Ds Lena Lim

Pastoral
Pas Loon Fu-Man
Pas Florence Hou
Pas Yeo Yun Jing
Pas Shirleen Yap

Administration
Susan Ling
Doris Lee
Patrick Lee

Worship Service on Saturday

English Service 4.30 pm at Sanctuary

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

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

Vicar Writes

Dear family in Christ

For the past 6 months, the world has been grappling with the Covid-19 pandemic. Many governments, companies, businesses, hotels, airlines and hospitals have experienced such a severe shaking. Thousands of families have been affected in various ways and facing the future with uncertainty and insecurity.

During such tumultuous times, we look to the Lord for His strength and grace as God's beloved children. The Bible has many examples of God's people experiencing pain, difficulties and struggles and how they find strength in the Lord. I share some portions of Scripture for our meditation to receive encouragement and peace from Abba Father.

"I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken." Psalm 16:8

"The Lord is near to the broken-hearted and saves the crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear..." Psalm 46:1-2

"For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken." Psalm 62:5-6

"He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Psalm 91:1-2

"I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-2

You need not walk alone in your pain and struggle. If you need prayer or someone to talk to, the pastoral staff, cell leaders and myself are available to come alongside to journey with you as we look to the Lord together.

Shalom Pastor John We welcome you lovingly in the name of the Lord. What a joy we can gather physically again for congregational worship service. Thank you for your help and understanding in following the necessary safe distancing measures.

Diocesan Combined Online Communion Service

There will be a Diocesan combined Online Holy Communion service on **2 August, Sunday at 10.30 am** (via livestreaming), led by bishop Rennis and bishop-designate Titus. There will no physical and online services for St John's Chapel on 1 & 2 August. We encourage all members to participate together at the livestreaming of this diocesan combined service.

Church Prayer Meeting

A church prayer meeting will be held on **Friday**, **24 July**, **7.45 pm** via Zoom. Join us in fellowship to pray for families, unity of the church, and the Covid-19 pandemic. Due to the Zoom capacity limit, the prayer meeting will be limited to 100 persons, on a first attendance basis. The meeting ID and password will be sent via WhatsApp to the cell leaders prior to the prayer meeting date.

Safe Management Officers

St John's Chapel has appointed the following staff as Safe Management Officers (SMO) to assist in the implementation and coordination of the system of Safe Management Measures.

Ds Lena Lim, Ps Loon Fu-Man, Ps Roger Fu, Lydia Leong, Patrick Lee & Doris Lee

Intercession

Prayer for Singapore Government

The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death. (Proverbs 14:27)

Heavenly Father, please raise up a Government that will continue to:

- 1. build up strong Family units, and safeguard sound godly, righteous and good moral values to build up the nation and the next generation.
- 2. fill with compassion and blessed with your wisdom to lead the Nation through this COVID-19 pandemic and care for the welfare of the citizens and people working and living in Singapore.
- one with the right heart, to build a nation with character and heart and have strong insight and planning for every aspect to strengthen the economy of the country locally and politically.

Announcement

In partnership with St James Church, we have invited Dr David Miller to teach this biblical course over Zoom (from USA) for eight Thursdays, starting from 9 July. Dr Miller holds a doctorate in biblical literature and a licensed Israeli guide since 1986. He is a biblical seminar teacher, former university lecturer and together with his wife Deborah, were former missionaries to Kenya and South Sudan. Course info and registration details in the brochure.

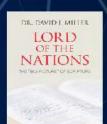
LORD OF THE NATIONS

a zoom teaching series by dr david miller

ALL ARE INVITED

9 JULY – 27 AUGUST 2020 8 THURSDAYS 8PM – 9PM (SINGAPORE TIME)

Beginning Thursday, July 9 at 8:00 pm Singapore time, David and Deborah Miller will conduct an eight-session teaching series based on David's book, <u>Lord of the Nations</u>.



Lord of the Nations addresses an issue that is of critical significance for every believer: the question of how we read the Bible. The book shows how the Bible is one, glorious narrative of God's merciful working throughout history. The work focuses on the unchanging character of God as demonstrated through his

relationship with the nations of the world, particularly Israel. The purpose of the book's providing the "big picture" is not just to be intellectually informative but, more importantly, to inspire everyone who desires to know the God of Truth and understand his ways. The ZOOM teaching series will enhance the participants' understanding of how to read the scripture and develop greater insight into the character of God.

register at https://tinyurl.com/lordofthenations

DUTY ROSTER	Saturday 18 July	Sunday 19 July	Next Saturday 25 July	Next Sunday 26 July
Worship Officiant	Hide le	Ho Boon Sing	Ps Yun Jing	Florence Ho
Preacher	Revd John Lin		Revd John Lin	
Psalm Reading	Psalm 47		Psalm 113	
Scripture Text	Romans 13:1-7		Philippians 3:12-21	
Sermon Title	We, the Citizens of Singapore		We, the Citizens of Heaven	

St John's Chapel will resume physical congregational worship services with effect from 18 July 2020, with a cap of 50 attendees.

You can book a "ticket" online at

https://www.eventbrite.sg/e/st-johns-chapel-church-servicestickets-112626528980

Livestreaming (and recording) of church services will continue to be available online. We will livestream the Saturday 4.30 pm Service. Thereafter, the Service recording will be accessible online.

Please access the online Service using this weblink http://www.sjcp.org.sg/service-live-streaming/

It will be good to prepare our hearts, Bible and media, so as to be ready to commune and worship the Lord together in spirit and in truth.

You may return your tithes to the Lord and give freewill offering through the following ways:

- (A) By cash or cheque using the envelopes
- (B) Internet Bank Transfer

Account Name: St John's Chapel

DBS Account Number: 008 002 5860

Remarks:

- (1) TitheXXX, Month or
- (2) MissionXXX, Month or
- (3) NeedyXXX, Month or
- (4) BuildingXXX, Month

(where XXX is your Tithe number)

(C) PayNow using UEN

St John's Chapel's UEN: T08CC4079E

Remarks: (same as above)

Upcoming Events

Suspension of all events till further notice

Church Ministries: Home Cell, Kids-for-Christ, Tweens, Tekna Youth, Young Adults, Choir, Marriage & Family Life, Pastoral Care and Visitation, Men's Fellowship, Sisters' Fellowship Outreach: SMSS Chaplaincy, The Boys' Brigade & The Girls' Brigade, Befrienders Club

> If you wish to know more about the ministries and outreach, please email to admin @patmos.org.sg

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