

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS

17 September 2022 - Evening Prayer 18 September 2022 - Morning Prayer

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

Bishop Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

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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

Speaker: Revd Bertram Cheong

Sermon Title: The Glory of God in the

Victory of Christ

Text : Ephesians 6:10-24

COLLECT

Fourteenth 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 missional church of Spirit-filled committed disciples of Jesus Christ, always ready to take the gospel to the nations.

The Glory of God in the Victory of Christ Ephesians 6:10-23

"Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."

Ephesians 6:11

Finally, we are at the end of the book of Ephesians. Paul has laid down a lot of foundational doctrines and spent the last two chapters on practical Christian day-to-day application, including how to act in the church towards other believers, in the family towards family members and in the workplace towards employers and employees. Now he comes to how to act towards the evil influences and satanic forces in the world. His instruction here is critical if a believer is to keep a close relationship with God and live a victorious life. If we lose the battle to satan, it is our families and our church who will suffer.

Satan and his demons are active in the world. Their constant goal is to fight against God and His kingdom. Because they cannot defeat God, they go for the next best thing, defeating God's followers. They enjoy seeing believers sin and seeing unbelievers with hard hearts reject the Gospel. So if they are invisible to us, how do they fight? They influence the world's way of thinking, set up false systems of belief, tempt people to sin, and seek to undermine the foundations of the church through division. Don't underestimate them.

What is our goal then? Our goal is to stand firm, to resist. Never surrender. Never give in. Fight against this evil wherever we see it including our own lives, the lives of family members and friends, the church, the workplace, and the world. We do this not with our strength, but with the power that God gives to us (v. 10)

What are we to do? 2 things. First ... "Put on the full armor of God" (v. 11-17). This word "full" is very important. Imagine a soldier that goes to battle with most of the armor, but not all of it. He will have a weak point that will be exploited by the enemy. His mistake will probably cost him his life. The same is true spiritually. Every one of these characteristics is necessary if we are to be successful. If we neglect any of them, satan will strike our weak point and we will fall. God provides full armor and everything we need. We have no excuse not to be successful and we have no excuse not to have all of it. If we do not put on any of this armor, it is our fault. It is a decision we need to make daily, a lifestyle choice. God gives us the resources. We need to use them. All the weapons mentioned are defensive, except one – God's Word (the Sword of the Spirit). God's Word is what convicts the heart, changes societies, saves families, touches lives, etc. Second ... "Praying at all times in the Spirit" (vv. 18-20). We are to pray throughout each day as we encounter difficulties, temptations, or things to thank God for. We all know we are to do this but are we doing it?

Talk it over

- 1. Every soldier needs to be well trained in their weapons. Are you well trained in God's Word? How can you become more familiar with this weapon? The more you use it the sharper swordsman you will be.
- 2. "The Word Hand" (Navigator) refers to five ways to get a grasp of the Bible and never let go. The five methods are: Hearing, Reading, Studying, Memorising and Meditating. Pick one of these "fingers" and share how you can improve as a swordsman this week
- 3. How can you grow in your prayer life as a result of what we have learned in this passage?

Rary, Did You Know? A Christmas Musical

Come join St. John's Chapel Choir as a family or as an individual to serve as singers or musicians and spread the Christmas Cheer on Saturday, 17 December 2022. Practice starts on 29 Oct 2022. Scan the QR Code and fill in your contact details so that we can get in touch with you. God Bless!



Church Prayer Meeting

The church prayer meeting will be held in the Sanctuary on Friday, 30 September 2022, 7.45pm to 9.15pm. Let's come together as one body to intercede for individuals, families, various ministries in the church, and for Singapore and other nations. Elly Chiu will lead us in the prayer, the praise team is Selah homecell. Staff on-duty is Pas Florence & Susan. To facilitate the gate closure and security, the school main gate will be Locked at Blk 4 Farrer Road and enter via Chapel Gate E.

Church Leaders' Meeting

The Church Leaders' Meeting (PCC, Ministry & Cell) will be held on **Sunday, 23 October 2022, 11.00am to 1.00pm** at the SMSS Learning Lab. Revd Tang will share on SJCp focus and the direction and spend time in discussion and prayer. Please be present for this meeting. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up with Doris Lee by 12 October 2022 of your attendance.

Treasured - Children's Day Carnival

Calling all who are aged 4 - 99, join us as we celebrate Children's Day on 8 October, from 12.30pm to 6.00pm! A parenting workshop (High 5s @ Home) will be conducted concurrently between 1.00pm - 3.00pm. So hurry, invite your friends and neighbours to join in the fun. Register at tinyurl.com/treasured2022. Please refer to the e-flyer for more information.

SJCp BBQ Buffet Dinner

A BBQ buffet dinner will be held on 8 October, from 6.00pm to 8.00pm (after the Children's Day carnival) for everyone in the St John's family! Register at tinyurl.com/sjcpbbq now! Please refer to the e-flyer for more information!

64th Boys' Brigade 30th Anniversary Dinner



The Company will be celebrating its anniversary with a dinner at Teck Ghee C.C. on Saturday, 26 November 2022. We would like to encourage all members to attend in support of the ministry as we thank God for his years of faithfulness together. Each ticket is priced at \$20. Kindly RSVP at the following link: https://tinyurl.com/SJCp64BB

Intercession

Caleb Fellowship

- 1. More volunteers from SJCp to bring pre-believers and backsliders to attend the LIFE APPLICATION Bible Study @ 3.00pm, held every Saturday at CALEB FELLOWSHIP.
- 2. For regular attendees to invite family & friends to the 1-hour LIFE APPLICATION Bible Study, followed by a short time of corporate worship.
- 3. For visitors to be touched and convicted by God's Word and to return for more of the life-changing Word of God.
- 4. Pray for a sovereign move of the Holy Spirit to breath upon "lost sinners" and convict them to turn their hearts to our Saviour and King, Christ Jesus.

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Upcoming Events

Treasured - Children's Day Carnival on 8 October 2022 SJCp BBQ Buffet Dinner on 8 October 2022 Baptism Service on 9 October 2022 Gospel Sunday on 30 October 2022 64th Boys' Brigade 30th Anniversary Dinner on 26 November 2022

Church Ministries: Home Cell, Kids-for-Christ, Tekna Youth, Young Adults, Choir, Marriage & Family Life, Pastoral Care and Visitation, Men's Fellowship, Sisters' Fellowship, Seniors Ministry

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

Address: St John's Chapel

111 Farrer Road, Singapore 259240 : 6468 8425

Email (General Enquiries): admin@patmos.org.sg Website: www.sjcp.org.sg



Activities:

- Carnival Games
- Face-Painting
- Bake-Off
- Songs
- Storytelling
- Movie Screening
- Parenting Workshop#

Register Online Today

8 October, Saturday

111 Farrer Road, S259240 from 12.30pm - 8:00pm*

*There will be a special BBQ buffet dinner from 6.00pm - 8.00pm

For more information:

tinyurl.com/treasured2022

Call or WhatsApp: Stephanie (9116 6227) Shirleen (9101 0531)





12.30pm - 1.00pm	Registration & Ice Breakers		
1.00pm - 4.00pm	Bake-Off Carnival Games Parenting Workshop# (Limited to the 1st 40 pax)		
4.30pm - 6.00pm	'I am treasured' Children's Day Service		
6.00pm - 8.00pm	BBQ Buffet Dinner (optional)		

#Parenting Workshop - High 5s @ Home (1.00pm - 3.00pm)

by The Treasure Box Singapore, Elvin and Esther Foong

When we are intentional about building a strong parent-child relationship, we reap benefits that will last a lifetime. So where do we start? We give you practical tips on how to build a loving and secure home that will nurture parent-child bonds.

This workshop is based on a first-come-first-served registration. It is limited to the first 40 participants. This is to ensure that the workshop is effective and participants can benefit fully from it.







ST JOHN'S CHAPEL PRESENTS



8 OCTOBER 2022, SATURDAY

6.00 PM - 8.00 PM

111 FARRER ROAD, SINGAPORE 259240

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