

10 May 2020

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Susan Ling

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**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

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

Speaker : Revd John Lin

Sermon Title : **Where there is God,
there is Hope**

Text : Romans 15:7-13

**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and
peace in believing, so that by the power of
the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.**

Romans 15:13

COLLECT

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful men: give us grace, to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that in all the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where lasting joys are to be found; 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 family in Christ

In the Fifth Commandment, the Lord commanded his people to “*honour your father and your mother*” (Exodus 20:12). This weekend, Mother’s Day is commemorated all around the world. It is a day set aside to remember, honour and thank our mothers for all their labour, love and sacrifice.

As God’s people, what can we do to edify and encourage the mothers in our church community or in your family?

1. **PRAY:** Coming alongside the mothers in regular prayer support goes a long way to give renewal of strength in their mothering responsibilities. Through prayer, the mums look to God and depend on Him for His grace and wisdom. To know that someone is keeping them in prayer means a lot to them as they toil faithfully.
2. **ENCOURAGE:** Appropriate words of encouragement spoken at the opportune time can uplift and strengthen the hearts of mothers, especially if they are experiencing struggles and stress in their life. To “encourage” means to “*give courage*”. Many times, mothers really need the courage to persevere on in the midst of their difficulties.
3. **LISTEN:** Be ready with a listening ear to hear the cry of their hearts for their children, elderly parents & marriage and their struggle to keep a healthy work-life balance. Their problems may not be solved immediately, but your presence and care will help to ease their pain and lighten their heavy burdens.
4. **HELP:** Do offer your help in practical ways. It can be giving a helping hand in church when any need arises. It can be looking after their young children, so that they can have a good rest at home or they can serve in church ministry. Being there for them in practical ways will be a great help and blessing.

Praying and wishing all mothers a **Blessed Mother’s Day**.

Blessings
Pastor John

Announcement

BLESSED MOTHER'S DAY

A Blessed Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers and godmothers in our church community. May you find rest in God in the toils of each day and may you experience God's peace and grace in the concerns of your heart. Wishing you every blessing in Jesus Christ.

"VIRTUAL" ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

In view of the suspension of church services and gatherings, the diocesan leadership is guiding all parishes to conduct their parish AGM by virtual means. The virtual AGM will likely be held in June 2020. We will keep members informed of the processes and details soon.

MENTAL & EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

For members struggling mentally and emotionally in coping with the Covid-19 situation, our church pastors and cell leaders are ready to come alongside you with a listening ear and encouraging virtual presence. We are near with just a phone call away. You may call them directly at their mobile, or you may call the church office number 64688425. For members facing financial hardships due to sudden loss of job or substantially-reduced income, please feel free to speak with the Vicar or any pastor. We will be glad to come alongside you to render help and support.

APPRECIATION

Esther & Derek Cheng and family would like to express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all church leaders and members for their prayers, visits and condolences during their recent bereavement on the demise of Esther's step-father, Mr Chua Siew Lim on 6 May 2020.

Intercession – Migrant Workers

And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.
- Mark 12:33

When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.
- Leviticus 19:33-34

Welfare of Migrant Worker

- Safety, Health & Resilience - during time lockdown, isolation
- Recovery and no deaths - speedy recovery and protection from death
- Financial - continue to receive fair financial support
- Families - safety and well being of their families in their homeland

Companies, Dormitory Operators

- Dorm operators commitment and resources to continue provide and improve the operations and environment of the workers

Singaporean public, Church and Christians

- Compassion attitude to the foreign workers and commitment to their well being with generous help .
- The Church of Christ to live out the greatest commandments to Love God by Loving our Neighbours, that the name of Jesus be honoured.
- The body of Christ as a community and individual to be convicted in spirit and in action for such a time as this.
- Safety protection for our brother and sisters who are serving in their profession and volunteer capacity among the foreign workers.

DUTY ROSTER	SUNDAY 10 MAY 2020	NEXT SUNDAY 17 MAY 2020
Worship Officiant	Revd John Lin	On-line Church Service
Preacher	Revd John Lin	
Psalm Reading	Psalm 42	
Scripture Text	Romans 15:7-13	
Sermon Title	Where there is God, there is Hope	

As announced, the government has suspended all religious services and activities until 1 June 2020.

St John's Chapel will release the English On-line Service every Saturday at 4.00 pm.

Please access the On-line 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 in May 2020 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,
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