

OHN'S EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS

28 March 2020 - Evening Prayer 29 March 2020 - Morning Prayer

Bishop

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Pas Shirleen Yap

Administration
Susan Ling
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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

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' (2 to 12 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 Bernard Yee

Sermon Title: Hear(t)

Text : Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have

commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20

COLLECT

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved mankind: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ash Wednesday

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. 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

In the midst of many challenges and difficulties in his life and kingship, King David trusted in Yahweh and kept his eyes on the Lord. In Psalm 16:8, David declared, "I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken." Why was David able to make this declaration with faith and confidence?

Firstly, the **Presence** of God ("I have set the Lord always before me"). King David was a man after God's heart. As he remained faithful and obedient to God and loved the Lord with all his heart, he was comforted by God's presence. He experienced the fullness of joy and the blessing of God.

Secondly, the *Power* of God ("because he is at my right hand"). As king of Israel, David faced tremendous challenges. Because David set the Lord continually before him and took refuge in God his Helper, he received God's counsel and experienced the power of God helping him in all his difficulties.

Thirdly, the **Peace** of God ("I shall not be shaken"). Despite David's many struggles, he was not shaken by them, but remained steady and secure. He had shalom peace and rest in God, trusting God and dwelling securely in the Lord.

We are all experiencing tremendous challenges and uncertainties in this worldwide Covid-19 pandemic. You may be going through struggles and heartaches in your life now. Let us keep the Lord continually before us, with childlike faith and whole-hearted dependence upon God. May you experience the presence, power and peace of our sovereign loving Abba Father deep in your heart.

Shalom in Christ Pastor John

Intercession

Mandarin Service

Vision & Mission:

- To be a Christ-centered discipleship church that impact lives with our lives.
- To preach the gospel, ushering them into the Kingdom of God; shepherding and equipping them as disciples of Christ, and to acknowledge the Lordship of Christ in their lives.

Pastoral Staff Team: Rev Bernard Yee (till 31 Mar 2020); Rev King Chiew Kwang (from 1 Apr 2020); Ps Tan Chwee Lian; Ps Alan Yong; Ps Roger Fu; Ps Lyu Yang

Honorary: Ps Honey Lau; Administrative: Sis Lydia Leong

Areas of concern: The strengthening of the congregation's spiritual maturity through the studying of Word & Prayer. The unity of staff and members and the moving in the Holy Spirit as we seek to fulfil God's missional call & purpose for the congregation.

Points for Praise & Prayer:

- 1. We pray for the smooth transition of handover between Revd Bernard Yee and Revd King Chiew Kwang.
- 2. We pray for the Lord's leading and guidance for them in their ministries ahead. May our Lord continuous to bless their family life together in His love and grace.
- 3. We pray during this difficult period due to the Covid-19 health situation, that we will continue to hold fast trusting God for HIS Mercy, Love and Protection.

Digital Giving of Tithes and Freewill giving

If you have online banking facility, you may return your tithes to the Lord and give freewill offerings via *Internet bank transfer*. If you have a mobile phone banking app, you may do the same via *PayNow*.

For the full banking details, please refer to the "Digital Giving" flyers placed at the Ushers' table or you may request a copy from your cell leader. You can also continue your giving by cash or cheque.

Weekend Services and Church Events in April

There will be a suspension of all weekend services and church events in April 2020 till further notice.

For Holy Week services, we will inform of livestreaming details in due course.

Church Bulletin

You can access church bulletin on our SJCp homepage at http://www/sjcp.org.sg

2020 Church Retreat

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, this year's church retreat from 14 to 17 June 2020 has been postponed to next year from 17 to 20 (Thu-Sun) June 2021.

Government Help Schemes for Seniors

To help the seniors (aged 50 and above) in Singapore to foster positive workplaces and active ageing, **Centre for Seniors** has consolidated all the government help schemes on their website http://www.silverschemes.sg/

It provides helpful information and guidance on available government benefits from various ministries in four areas: Financial, Work, Social and Health. Please feel free to check out the website and also share this information to friends and family who may need help, especially during this current Covid-19 health situation.

DUTY ROSTER	SATURDAY, 28/3/2020 AND SUNDAY, 29/3/2020	NEXT SATURDAY 4/4/2020	NEXT SUNDAY 5/4/2020
Worship Officiant	Revd John Lin		
Preacher	Revd Bernard Yee		
Scripture Text	Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Matthew 28:19-20	No Service on both Saturday & Sunday	
Sermon Title	Hear(t)	Details of the sermon will be advised	
Staff On Duty	Saturday: Patrick & Doris		
	Sunday: Susan & Ps Roger		

As announced, the government has suspended all religious services until 30 April 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)

: 6468 8425

Upcoming Events

Suspension of all events in April 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, please email to admin@patmos.org.sg

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