



MINISTRY GUIDE

10 December 2023

*To all who are weary, struggling and burdened,
we welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ.*

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Preacher: Jonathan Tan

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship Isaiah 43:1b-3a

Prayer of Praise &
Adoration

Songs of Praise &
Adoration [How Firm A Foundation](#)
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Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:1-7

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Offering & Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Jesus, the son of Mary
(Matthew 1:18-25)

Song of Response [O Come All Ye Unfaithful](#)

Benediction

How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of
the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent
Word!
What more can be said than to you
God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have
fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not
dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give
thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and
cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent
hand

When through the deep waters I call
thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not
overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to
bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest
distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway
shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy
supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only
design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to
refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for
repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should
endeavour to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake

God Made Low

Prophets promised long ago

A King would come to bring us hope
And now a virgin bears a son
The time to save the world has come

Humble shepherds run in haste
To see the One, the angels praised
In cattle stall they find a girl
Who holds the hope of all the world

(Chorus)

*Emmanuel has come to us
The Christ is born! Hallelujah!
Our God made low to raise us up
Emmanuel, has come to us*

As He sleeps upon the hay
He holds the moon and stars in place
Though born an infant, He remains
The sovereign God of endless days

(Chorus)

For all our sins, one day He'll die
To make us sons of God on high
Let every heart prepare Him room
The promises have all come true

*Emmanuel has come to us
The Christ is born! Hallelujah!
(Chorus)*

My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my
disgrace
And gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
And clothed me in His light
And wrote His law of righteousness
With pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with
strength
And causes fears to fly;

Whose ev'ry promise is enough
For ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love
And crowning me with grace.

(Chorus)
Christ is born, Christ is born
Christ is born for you

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
Whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth
Is given by the King;
So I will give my life, my all,
To love and follow him.

O come, bitter and broken
Come with fears unspoken
Come, taste of His perfect love
O come, guilty and hiding ones
There is no need to run
See what your God has done

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings
flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

(Chorus)

(Bridge)
He's the Lamb who was given
Slain for our pardon
His promise is peace
For those who believe

O Come All Ye Unfaithful

O come, all you unfaithful
Come, weak and unstable
Come, know you are not alone
O come, barren and waiting ones
Weary of praying, come
See what your God has done

(Bridge)

So come, though you have nothing
Come, He is the offering
Come, see what your God has done

(Chorus)

(Chorus)

WELCOME

If you are new with us, we'd love to get to know you.

Connect with us by filling up this form at
gracebaptistchurch.sg/welcome or through this QR code.



OUR LIFE TOGETHER

NURSERY

10 Dec (Sun)
9-10.30am, Room 503

For babies to 3 year-olds. Contact Siew Ting
(siewting@gracebaptistchurch.sg) if you have any
questions!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10 Dec (Sun)
9.30-10.30am

For children aged 3-12 years. If you have questions, or if it is your first time here, please visit the welcome table outside the sanctuary.

Today's lesson from the [Gospel Project](#) curriculum is "Jesus was Born" from Matthew 1, Luke 2 and John 1. Jesus was born! This was very good news! Jesus came into the world to rescue us from sin.

FIRE DRILL

10 Dec (Sun)
10.30am

A mandatory fire drill will be held after the English Congregation's worship service. All occupants in the building will have to evacuate and report to the assembly area – the open space between Church of St. Stephen and Mattar Station Exit B. Please keep calm and follow the instructions by the fire wardens.

EQUIP

10 Dec (Sun)
11am-12pm, Room
516-519

Join us for this new series titled "Speaking of Jesus". - This session will focus on "What is Biblical Evangelism?" Note that this will take place after the fire drill.

**CHRISTMAS LOVE GIFT
(DECEMBER 2023
MISSIONS FUND)**

Thanks to the cheerful giving by our church family, we are able to allocate a portion of the surplus in our Missions budget for the Christmas Love Gift to our Missionaries. We also encourage members to consider sending a note of encouragement to our missionaries. Their contact details are on the Missions Board on Level 3.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE
AND BRUNCH**

24 Dec (Sun)

We will be holding our Christmas service on 24 December at 9am. There will be no service on 25 December. There will be a free Christmas Brunch that will take place after the 24 December service. We hope this will be an opportunity for fellowship. Help us plan for catering by signing up here: gracebaptistchurch.sg/christmasbrunchgbc23. If you need help with this, do reach Lawrence (lawgoh@gmail.com) or Kagen (kagelim@gmail.com).

**2023 YEAR END
FINANCIAL CLOSING**

Ministries are reminded to submit all expense claims for 2023 by 24 December (Sun). Any submissions after this date will be included in next year's (2024) Accounts instead.

**CONSTRUCTION AND
REPAINTING WORKS**

The following works will be taking place in and around our building:

1. Drainage works by PUB (Estimated completion mid-Dec 2023)
2. Church building repainting works from 30 Oct 2023 to 31 Jan 2024

We encourage worshippers to exercise caution and keep clear where works are being done. If you have any questions or feedback, you may contact our Technical Executive Mr Marco (8518 9602).

STAFF MOVEMENT

Pastor Eugene is on leave till 15 Dec 2023.

More info on events can be found at <https://english.gracebaptistchurch.sg/calendar-> or sign up for weekly updates via Grace enews at gracebaptistchurch.sg/enews.

SERVE

WELCOME MINISTRY

We are looking for members to serve with (1) welcoming visitors (on alternate months) and (2) preparing coffee and tea for post-service fellowship (two weeks every two months). If you are interested and available, contact us at welcome@gracebaptistchurch.sg.

YOUTH CAMP

Our youths are having their annual camp from 13-15 December at the Centre for Performance Transformation. We are looking for volunteers to provide food for 48 pax and spend time with them. Contact Peixian (9116 7581) if you'd like to help or would like to have more information.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Volunteers are needed for various aspects of the ministry – musicians, song leading, AV, projection etc. If you are available and keen to join, you can indicate on the form via the QR code. Contact Toshi (toshiyuki.mori@gmail.com) or Aaron (aaronlumzy@gmail.com) if you have questions.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We are looking for volunteers in the following 4 areas for next year: Sunday School teacher (once a month), nursery helper (once a month), hall monitor (once a month) and child minding (ad hoc, after service). If you are available, or are keen to find out more, you can contact us at kidsmin@gracebaptistchurch.sg.

GIVE

Giving is a way we worship God. You can now also give to the two funds via PayNow.

General Fund
Supports the
ministry of the
church



Missions Fund
Supports the
work of our
missionaries



PRAY

We continue to pray for our church this week:

1. For the upcoming Christmas outreach on 16 December, that our neighbours will be able to hear the gospel
2. For various members' needs

We will also pray for GBC members who are preaching in other local churches today:

1. Pastor Oliver will be preaching at Kay Poh Road Baptist Church
2. Poh Kheng will be preaching at Changi Baptist Church

Pray for Zimbabwe:

1. For God to restore this once-prosperous land and to use His people to bring relief to the decades of suffering.

If you have any prayer needs, please drop the pastoral staff a note via gracebaptistchurch.sg/pastoralprayer or through this QR code.



HEAR

**Jesus, the son of Mary
(Matthew 1:18-25)**

Sermon Notes

Reflect and Respond

1. What is God saying to you through His word this morning?

Next week's sermon is "Jesus, the Son of Judah" from Matthew 2:1-12.

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