

MINISTRY GUIDE

26 November 2023

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

Service Leader: Eugene Low Preacher: Oliver Chia

Welcome

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Prayer of Praise &

Adoration

Songs of Praise & <u>Come Ye Sinners</u>

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(Hebrews 13:20-25)

Song of Response <u>It Is Well</u>

Benediction

SING

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy Weak and wounded, sick and sore Jesus ready stands to save you Full of pity, love, and pow'r

(Chorus)

I will arise and go to Jesus He will embrace me in His arms In the arms of my dear Saviour Oh, there are ten thousand charms

Come, ye thirsty; come and welcome God's free bounty glorify True belief and true repentance Every grace that brings you nigh

(Chorus)

Come, ye weary, heavy laden Lost and ruined by the fall If you tarry till you're better You will never come at all

(Chorus)

Let not conscience make you linger Nor of fitness fondly dream All the fitness He requireth Is to feel your need of Him

(Chorus)

Christ the True and Better

Christ the true and better Adam Son of God and Son of man Who when tempted in the garden Never yielded never sinned He who makes the many righteous Brings us back to life again Dying He reversed the curse then Rising crushed the serpent's head

Christ the true and better Isaac Humble son of sacrifice Who would climb the fearful mountain
There to offer up his life
Laid with faith upon the altar
Father's joy and only son
There salvation was provided
Oh what full and boundless love

(Chorus)
Amen amen
From beginning to end
Christ the story
His the glory
Alleluia amen

Christ the true and better Moses
Called to lead a people home
Standing bold to earthly powers
God's great glory to be known
With his arms stretched wide to
heaven
See the waters part in two
See the veil is torn forever
Cleansed with blood we pass now
through

(Chorus)

Christ the true and better David Lowly shepherd mighty King He the champion in the battle Where o death is now thy sting? In our place He bled and conquered Crown Him Lord of majesty His shall be the throne forever We shall e'er His people be

(Chorus)

Nothing But The Blood of Jesus

What can wash away my sin Nothing but the blood of Jesus What can make me whole again Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my pardon this I see Nothing but the blood of Jesus For my cleansing this my plea Nothing but the blood of Jesus

(Chorus)
O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone Nothing but the blood of Jesus Naught of good that I have done Nothing but the blood of Jesus

(Chorus)

This is all my hope and peace Nothing but the blood of Jesus This is all my righteousness Nothing but the blood of Jesus

(Chorus)

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

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace like a river Attendeth my way When sorrows like sea billows roll Whatever my lot Thou hast taught me to say It is well It is well with my soul

(Chorus)
It is well (It is well)
With my soul (With my soul)
It is well,
It is well with my soul

Tho' Satan should buffet
Tho' trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood
For my soul

(Chorus)

My sin O the bliss
Of this glorious tho't
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul

(Chorus)

And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well
With my soul

(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

26 Nov (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

26 Nov (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 <u>Gospel Project</u> curriculum is "The people promised to be faithful" from Nehemiah 9-10. God has always done what is right even when His people have done what is wrong. We have God's kindness and love through Jesus, who died on the cross so we can have life with God forever.

PRAYER MEETING

26 Nov (Sun) 11.15am-12.15pm, Fellowship Hall Join us at our monthly prayer meeting where we can hear of how God is working in our midst and how we can continue to keep each other in prayer.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

29 Nov (Wed) 7.30-9pm, Room 310 All are welcomed to be equipped to read and listen to God's Word, that we may speak the truth in love to one another and grow in the body. This week's study will be a review of Mark. More information can be found on the website.

FIRE DRILL

10 Dec (Sun) 10.30am A mandatory fire drill will be held after the English Congregation's worship service. During the fire drill, 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. If you are in the building during this period, please keep calm and follow the instructions by the fire wardens.

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 Christmas Brunch that will take place after the service. We hope this will be an opportunity for fellowship. This will be free, but we'd require signups to help us with plans for catering: gracebaptistchurch.sg/christmasbrunchgbc23. If you need help with this, do reach Lawrence (lawgoh@gmail.com) or Kagen (kagelim@gmail.com).

PRECEPT

Saturdays 3.15-5pm, Room 310 The ladies will be studying the book of 1 Thessalonians next year, starting in January for 11 weeks, with a break in between for CNY. We will be looking into the principles of exemplary Christian living as we work on it inductively. Please send a message to Yoke Meng (9730 1670) if you would like to join us.

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).

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.

APPRECIATION

Pastor Oliver and Juliana would like to thank the pastoral staff and church members for their encouragement during their recent bereavement. They convey their deep appreciation to all who offered support during their period of grief.

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. There will be 6 meals (2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners, 1 afternoon tea), and 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 (9022 0150) or Aaron (9640 9594) 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 various members' needs
- 2. For the new care groups that have been introduced.

This week, we also seek to pray for Acts Baptist Church.

Pray for the nation of Namibia:

- 1. That the nation's leaders would address various issues in the country.
- 2. As the nation suffers scars from its past, pray that in Christ, the people may find forgiveness and peace.

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



HEAR

A Final "Good Word" (Hebrews 13:20-25)

Sermon Outline

Big idea: God will equip us through Jesus Christ, so hold fast to Jesus to please God.

- 1. Our God of Peace will equip us to please Him through Jesus Christ (vv. 20-21)
- 2. Pay attention to the message of Hebrews: hold fast to Jesus Christ (vv. 22-25)

"God the Father's first and chief love is in his Son, both as the delight of his own soul and also as the Mediator who brings us to God; and therefore, it is God's chief delight that worship should be given to his Son our Lord. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6). All our salvation and all of our worship are from him and through him and to him, all to the glory of God the Father. If this is true, then the one thing absolutely essential is to hold fast to Jesus Christ."

(Richard D. Phillips, 2006)

Reflect and Respond

1. In what ways can we encourage one another to hold fast to Jesus Christ?

Next week's sermon is the first in our new Advent series, titled "A Son is Given" from Matthew 1:1-17.

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