

MINISTRY GUIDE

3 December 2023

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

Service Leader: Caleb Yap Preacher: Bryan Tan

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 72:11-13

Prayer of Praise &

Adoration

Statement of Faith God's Purposeful Grace

Songs of Praise & <u>Come Thou Almighty King</u>

Adoration <u>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus</u>

Scripture Reading 1 Chronicles 17:7-14

Song of Thanksgiving <u>Jesus, Thank You</u>

Offering & Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Jesus, the Son of David

(Matthew 1:1-17)

Lord's Supper

Song of Response <u>Joy Has Dawned</u>

Benediction

SING

Come Thou Almighty King

Come Thou Almighty King Help us Thy name to sing Help us to praise Father all glorious O'er all victorious Come and reign over us Ancient of Days

Come Thou Incarnate Word Gird on Thy mighty sword Our prayer attend Come and Thy people bless And give Thy Word success Spirit of holiness On us descend

Come Holy Comforter
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour
Thou who almighty art
Now rule in ev'ry heart
And ne'er from us depart
Spirit of pow'r

To Thee great One in Three Eternal praises be Hence evermore Thy sov'reign majesty May we in glory see And to eternity Love and adore

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come Thou long expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in Thee Israel's strength and consolation Hope of all the earth Thou art Dear desire of every nation Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver Born a child and yet a King Born to reign in us forever Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone By Thine all sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne

Jesus Thank You

The myst'ry of the cross I cannot comprehend
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect Holy One crushed
Your Son
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

(Chorus)

Your blood has washed away my sin Jesus thank You The Father's wrath completely satisfied Jesus thank You Once Your enemy now seated at Your table Jesus thank You

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near Your enemy You've made Your friend Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

(Chorus)

Lover of my soul I want to live for You Lover of my soul I want to live for You

(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

Joy Has Dawned

Joy has dawned upon the world Promised from creation God's salvation now unfurled Hope for ev'ry nation Not with fanfares from above Not with scenes of glory But a humble gift of love Jesus born of Mary

Sounds of wonder fill the sky
With the songs of angels
As the mighty Prince of Life
Shelters in a stable
Hands that set each star in place
Shaped the earth in darkness
Cling now to a mother's breast

Vulnerable and helpless

Shepherds bow before the Lamb Gazing at the glory Gifts of men from distant lands Prophesy the story Gold a King is born today Incense God is with us Myrrh His death will make a way By His blood He'll win us

Son of Adam Son of heav'n Given as a ransom Reconciling God and man Christ our mighty Champion What a Saviour what a Friend What a glorious mystery Once a babe in Bethlehem Now the Lord of history

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

3 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

3 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 <u>Gospel Project</u> curriculum is "We should be sorry for sin" from Romans 8. Because Jesus died and rose again, we have forgiveness of sins and life with God forever when we trust in Him.

EQUIP

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

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

6 Dec (Wed) 7.30-9pm, Room 310

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. Read more here.

Join us for this new series titled "Speaking of Jesus". -

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 will be an end

of year social. More information can be found on the

on "What is Biblical

focus

will

session

Evangelism?"

website.

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 missionarie. 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 catering bv signing up gracebaptistchurch.sg/christmasbrunchgbc23. If you help with this. do reach Lawrence need (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).

COLLECTION (NOVEMBER 2023)

General: \$83,276.71 (YTD \$1,399,733.97) Missions: \$35,365.57 (YTD \$515,501.06)

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. 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 (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.

SPEAKING THE TRUTH -

Let us use the words of our Statement of Faith to shape our understanding of God and to worship Him in truth. This month, we will focus on the fifth section, on God's purposeful grace:

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, justifies, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is the glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their joy and comforts, and bring reproach on the cause of Christ and temporal judgments on themselves; yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

You can also read the rest of the Statement on our website (https://english.gracebaptistchurch.sg/beliefs).

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 faithfulness in evangelism in this season
- 3. For our new care groups that are forming, that they will live out the "one another" commands.

Pray for Angola:

1. That Christians might also help lead the way in developing the country.

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

Jesus, the son of David (Matthew 1:1-17)

Sermon Outline

- 1. Promises Made (vv. 1-6)
- 2. Promises Despised (vv. 7-11)
- 3. Promises Kept (vv. 12-17)

Reflect and Respond

1. Is Jesus truly your King? What areas of your life have you yet to surrender to Him?

Next week's sermon is "Jesus, the son of Mary", from Matthew 1:18-25.

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