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CHURCH *of* CHRIST
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

Sunday Morning Worship



3 April 2022

Living Jesus Together: Treasures in Heaven

By Terry Wan
Live @ 11am

Thanks to childhood pirate stories, many of us probably think of "treasure" as the kind that's buried. The ancient wooden box full of golden coins buried in the sand marked by a giant red 'X', awaiting some "Chosen One" to follow the clues and uncover its secrets.

When Jesus talks about "treasure" in Matthew 6, He's not talking about treasure buried beneath the earth. He's talking about treasure that's above the earth, and it's not even the kind you can touch (at least for now).

To our materialistic culture whose anthem is "More, More, More", Jesus' "treasure" seems very strange indeed. Yet it is precisely the things that we cannot see or touch in this life that are truly valuable in the grand scheme of eternity.

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

Welcome And Briefing

[I Will Call Upon The Lord](#)

Victory in Jesus

[Great Are You Lord](#)

Scripture: Psalm 19:1-11, 14

Opening Prayer

[The Great Redeemer](#)

Communion And Giving

[More Precious Than Silver](#)

Scripture: Matthew 6:19-21

Sermon

[You Are My All In All](#)

Announcements, Shepherd's Prayer

[Our God He Is Alive](#)

Reflection Questions

- 1 How would our lives look different (physically) if we adopt a spiritual view of the world as Jesus teaches in this passage?
- 2 How does Jesus' teaching in this passage go beyond how much I care about my investments, bank account or my material possessions? What is the main principle Jesus wants His audience to understand?

Giving

Last Week's Giving: **\$9,792**



General Fund
S76SS0008AGFD



Missions Fund
S76SS0008AMFD



Building Fund
S76SS0008ABFD

If you plan to make a contribution via cheque, please make sure it is made payable to "[Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang, Singapore](#)". Please ensure that you write the full name so that the cheque can be processed smoothly.

Upcoming Events



3 Apr | 9:30am

Adult Bible Class

"Water From The Rock"

Numbers 17-20

By Kuek Lee Hock

GEMS Bible Class (Kinderkids)

"Jacob's Favourite Son"

Genesis 37, 39-40

Contact Josephine Seow (9170 4343)

Youth Bible Class

"The Messiah Must Die I: Whiplash"

Gospel of Mark

By Aaron Tan

GEMS Bible Class (P123)

"Jesus Questioned; Jesus Questions"

Matthew 22:15-46

Contact Joanne Foo (9683 8266)

GEMS Bible Class (Cradle Roll)

Contact Audrey Lee

(9855 4957)

GEMS Bible Class (P456)

"Dorcas Was Raised From The Dead"

Acts 9:32-43

Contact Rosalind Lee (9621 9006)

GEMS Bible Class (Toddlers)

Contact Koo Hwee Yee

(9173 2365)

P6 Apologetics Class

"Gospel of Christ"

Contact Catherine Leow (9270 1717)

GEMS Bible Class (Nursery)

Contact Agnes Lim

(9858 5935)



6 Apr | 7:30pm

Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom @ 8pm)

"Breastplate of Righteousness" (Eph 6:14)

Zoom ID: 852 6167 8088

Password: Logos



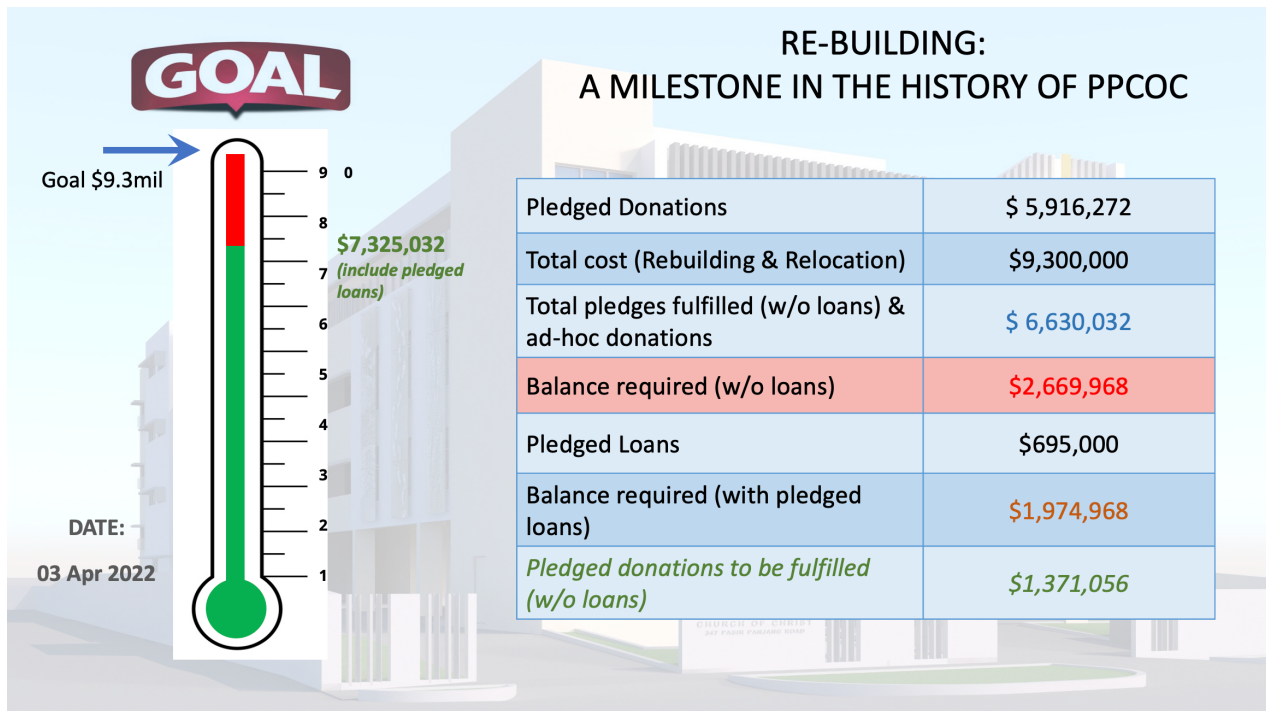
9 Apr | 9am

Young Adult Activity

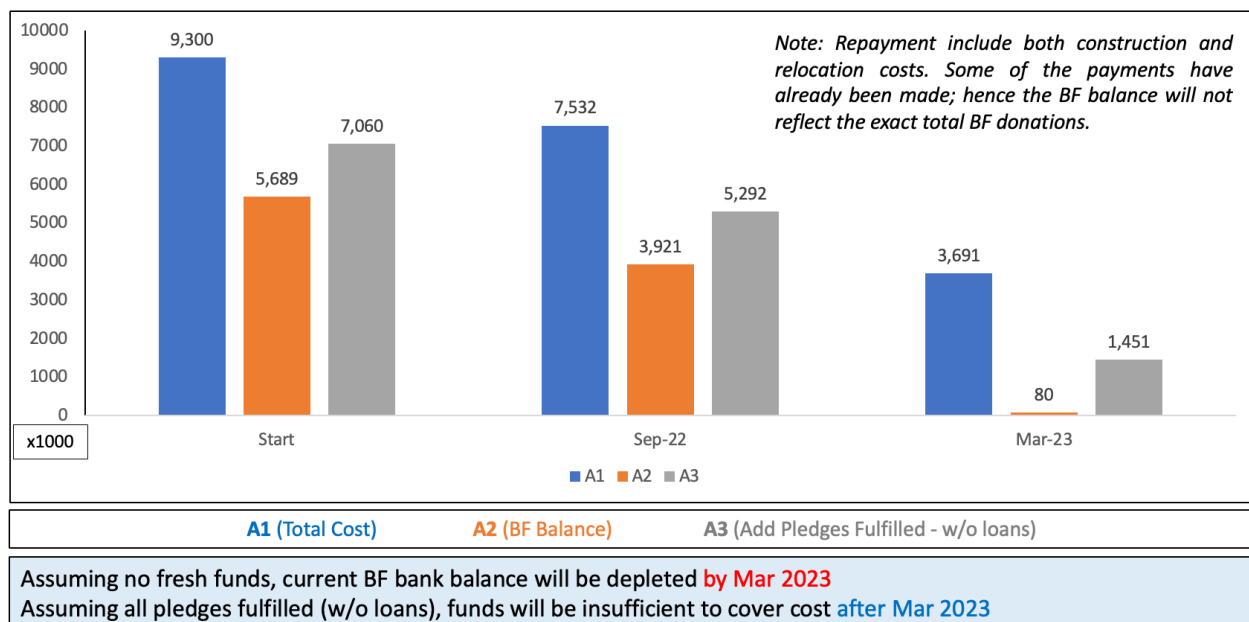
Hiking the Green Corridor (see page 4)



Rebuilding Barometer



Repayment Schedule



As you can see, we still have some ways to go to finish paying for the Rebuilding Project. We invite you to pray for God's providence; to fulfill your pledged donations as soon as able; and to prayerfully consider to donate to make up the shortfall. If you are unable to donate but will be able to loan, please contact the Pledge and Building Fund committee.

Family News



Young Adults Activity (9 April)



Have you spent too much time on your sofa? Need some more Vitamin D and a good workout? Go for a walk with the Young Adults at the scenic Green Corridor! Sign up with Geraldine (8268 8267) or Jocelyn (90222372) by **TODAY!**



Thanksgiving

Brothers Yen Peng and Yen Hock would like to express their thanks to the congregation following the passing of their father. "We would like to thank all members who visited and comforted us at our father's funeral last week. Thank you for thinking of our family during this difficult time." Let us continue to surround this family with prayers.



*All shall be Amen and Alleluia.
We shall rest and we shall see.
We shall see and we shall know.
We shall know and we shall love.
We shall love and we shall praise.
Behold our end which is no end.*

*Augustine of Hippo, "City of God"
A Prayer of Hope in the Eternity of God*



Online Prayer Warriors

New Prayer Requests (Theme)

1. **Discipleship**
2. **Teachers**
3. **Preachers**

Thanksgiving for recovery of Covid Patients

Lauren Leow, Janet Lim, Joel Goh, Sis Phay, Christine Lim, Elizabeth's brother Dennis, Josephine's nephew Gabriel, SIBI students and dean. Families of Soo Lang & Eileen, Johnson Seah, Alvin Tjipto, Romaine Jackson.

Updates on Past Prayers

1. **Lim Li Choan's health**
2. **Comfort to families of Yen Peng & Yen Hock on the demise of their father**

New Prayer Requests

1. Elders, Deacons & Men of the Church
2. Russia – Ukraine War
3. Australia floods
4. Philippines General Election
5. SIBI students having exams from end Mar – end May.
6. Closure of SIBI and future plans of students and staff
7. PP Retreat on 15 April 2022
8. More members to return to physical bible classes and worships to resume fellowship
9. Protection over congregation as singing resumes 3 April onwards.
10. Lillian Loh's and husband's health
11. Edward Lee's health
12. Elizabeth's eldest brother Philip to recover from COVID
13. Soo Lang's brother Vincent's health and salvation.

We had a good turnout at our Online Prayer Warrior meeting last Thursday to pray over our church family. We prayed specifically our discipleship efforts within PPCOC, and our preachers and teachers tasked with the great work of proclaiming the Word of God to nourish the body of Christ.

Our prayer session will be on 1 May, which will be led by our elders. If you have not already participated in our prayer gatherings, we strongly encourage that you mark the date in your calendar and make plans to join.

Prayer is not optional for Christians, whether as individuals or the church. Yet it is not burdensome; rather, praying together is one of our greatest privileges. Through prayer, we minister to one another. We invoke the blessing of God and receive blessing in turn. The more we pray together, the more we become the people that Jesus always meant for us to be.



PP Retreat 2022

CELEBRATION | DISCERNMENT | COMMUNITY

- 0930** Icebreakers
- 1000** Worship (Young Adults)
- 1030** Skit (Youth)
- 1045** Reflections and Sharing (Adults)
- 1130** Closing
- 1200** Dismissal

15 April 2022 | 9:30am - 12:00pm | Paradiso Room (Level 3)



Join us on Good Friday (15 April) for a morning of worship and community, organised jointly by our Youth, Young Adults and Adults! **Please note that this will be an in-person only event and will not be live-streamed.**

Interested members can book a staycation directly with the hotel. Email rsvns.gcw@millenniumhotels.com.

Quote **"Pasir Panjang Church of Christ (PPCOC)"** to receive a discounted rate.

While we have talked a lot about the staycation, we also want to emphasise the programme of the Retreat itself. We are about three months into our journey of "exile" and it is a good time to take stock of our spiritual health as the body of Christ. How have we been? How have we seen God's mighty hand at work? Where is He calling us to go next?

We believe that this can be a season of maturity and growth - if we seize the opportunities and allow God to work in us. Let us come together, come away from the world, and discern the voice of God.

Room Only

Superior Room (\$145)

Deluxe (\$175)

+ 2 breakfasts & internet

Superior (\$175)

Deluxe (\$205)

*All prices subjected to 10% service tax and 7% GST

Weekly Nugget | Kuek Lee Hock



IF GOD
whispered,
COULD YOU
HEAR IT?



Be still. Pause...wait, and listen to ‘God’s whisper’

"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices." (Psalm 37:37)

Waiting is revealed throughout the Bible. It is a major spiritual discipline. Abraham waited for the promise of his son Isaac. In the middle of the wait, he faltered and Ishmael was the result.

Moses waited forty years for his ministry before delivering the Hebrews out of Egypt. Jesus waited until he was 30 before beginning his full-time ministry.

Many Psalm writers sang about waiting for the Lord. David wrote in Psalm 40:1, "I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire. He set my feet on solid ground and steadied me as I walked along."

The prophet Isaiah exhorts us in Isaiah 40:31 that those "who wait for the Lord, shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

The apostle Peter encouraged us to live in "holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God... to wait for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." (2 Pet 3:11-13)

Faith in God involves pause and waiting. Waiting and delay has been a challenge throughout my life. How about you? How often do you PAUSE and wait?

Actually, it does not matter how long the pause is. It is simply 'unbearable' for most of us because we have become so accustomed to getting instantaneous results for almost everything. Baby boomers, Generation X, Generation Y, Millennials - we all do not want to pause and wait. We get agitated when we do not get what we want instantly!

So, how can we learn to pause and wait? We want everything to be a lot faster. Our 'now' is about the urgent and immediate. As a consequence of our unwillingness to pause and wait, our attention span gets shorter, stress floods our minds, and the light of God's promises darkens. We do not think clearly. Emotional anxiety cripples our judgment. We are distraught by looking at the minutes and hours painfully ticking by.

Be still, sit down and let God fill in the pause.

“Pauses in Life” serve Different Purposes

1. Pause brings us **peace** in our “storms in life”.

Our storms can be difficulties, loss of expectations, change, upheaval, war, disaster, hurt, disappointment and loneliness. Yet the Holy Spirit calls us to wait and trust in both seasons of pause and seasons of acceleration.

2. Pause is for refining and pruning.

Stand still to be pruned! Jesus tells us in John 15:2-4 “I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch of mine that does not produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful, unless you remain in me.” Lean on God fully during times of pruning and refining. It's uncomfortable, even painful but it is good for us in the long-term.

3. Pause develops **perseverance**.

The Apostle Peter encouraged the early Christians and us in 2 Peter 1: 5-9, to make every effort to add to your faith, goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, we will be effective and productive in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Remember!

Pause refines our Christian character. Pause develops spiritual maturity. Pause builds intimacy with God. Pause is for deep soulful, spirit-filled worship. Pause empowers us for living life!

Do not delete the 'Pause'! It is there for renewal and refreshment. So don't skip your own pause... Take time out to ponder and reflect... Be still. Pause...wait and listen to God's voice.

Reflect and Respond

1. What 'pauses' are you encountering in your life?
2. Are you aware of the purpose of each 'pause'?
3. Ask, "God, what are you teaching me and showing me in this pause?"

Today, let go of the need for perfection, cut out the inner noise, and listen to our "pauses of life". Let God reveal to us His purposes and plans through each 'pause' of life.

Prayer

Dear God, help us draw near to You in each 'pause' to learn and listen to Your gentle whisper. Quieten the noises of the world as we pause for Your peace to fill our hearts today. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

Connect With Us

Prayer Requests/ Feedback



<http://bit.ly/35FTEyp>



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