

FOCUS



CHURCH *of* CHRIST
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

Sunday Morning Worship

18 September 2022



**The Kingdom Is,
And Is To Come**

By John Lim

Most software companies nowadays require a monthly subscription - Netflix, Disney Plus, Adobe Suite, Spotify, you name it. If you're lucky, there's a free version but with tons of advertisements and inconveniences.

But most of them also offer a free trial for some duration, like two weeks or a month. During that time, it offers you all their features and benefits as though you are a full-fledged paying user, but you haven't paid a cent (yet!).

While the Kingdom of heaven isn't a for-profit company with sneaky marketing tactics, there is a similar sense that it has already started pouring out its full benefits before the full version has been activated. Christians call this the "here-and-not-yet" kingdom, where King Jesus has already won the victory and will one day make that victory even more complete.

In a world where we see great sin and feel so much brokenness, this is good news. We need not fear because Jesus is already King. What is incomplete now will surely be redeemed.

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

Come People Of The Risen King

Opening

Lord Reign In Me

Build Your Kingdom Here

Scripture: Psalm 24

Prayer

Lead Me To Calvary

Communion & Giving

Open The Eyes of My Heart

Scripture: Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon

We Declare That The Kingdom of
God Is Here

Announcements

Shepherd's Prayer

Days Of Elijah

Devotional Questions (Matt 16:13-20)

- 1 What does it mean for us to hold the keys of the kingdom (Matt 16:19)? How are we followers of Jesus supposed to use them?
- 2 Why was Peter's confession of Jesus as the Christ (Matt 16:15) so significant? What was their surrounding Jewish culture expecting about their Messiah?
- 3 Where do you see the power and presence of God already at work in your life or in the world?
- 4 Where do you still hunger to see the power and presence of God in your life or in the world?



Upcoming Events



18 Sept | 9:30am

Adult Bible Class

"Modelling the First Century Church"

Acts 2:41-46

By Foo Yong Wee

GEMS Bible Class (Nursery)

Contact Agnes Lim

(9858 5935)

Youth Bible Class

"Bibliology: Doctrine of Scripture"

Christian Cornerstones

By Kenneth Kuek

GEMS Bible Class (Kinderkids)

"Jesus Has Power Over His Creation"

Matthew 14:13-33

Contact Josephine Seow (9170 4343)

GEMS Bible Class (Cradle Roll)

Contact Audrey Lee

(9855 4957)

GEMS Bible Class (P123)

"Sin With The Moabites"

Numbers 25-27, 31

Contact Joanne Foo (9683 8266)

GEMS Bible Class (Toddlers)

Contact Koo Hwee Yee

(9173 2365)

GEMS Bible Class (P456)

"David made King of Israel & Judah"

2 Samuel 5

Contact Rosalind Lee (9621 9006)



21 Sept | 7:30pm

Wednesday Bible Class

"Be Healed, Be Holy" (John 5:1-14)

Giving

Last Week's Giving: **\$7524**



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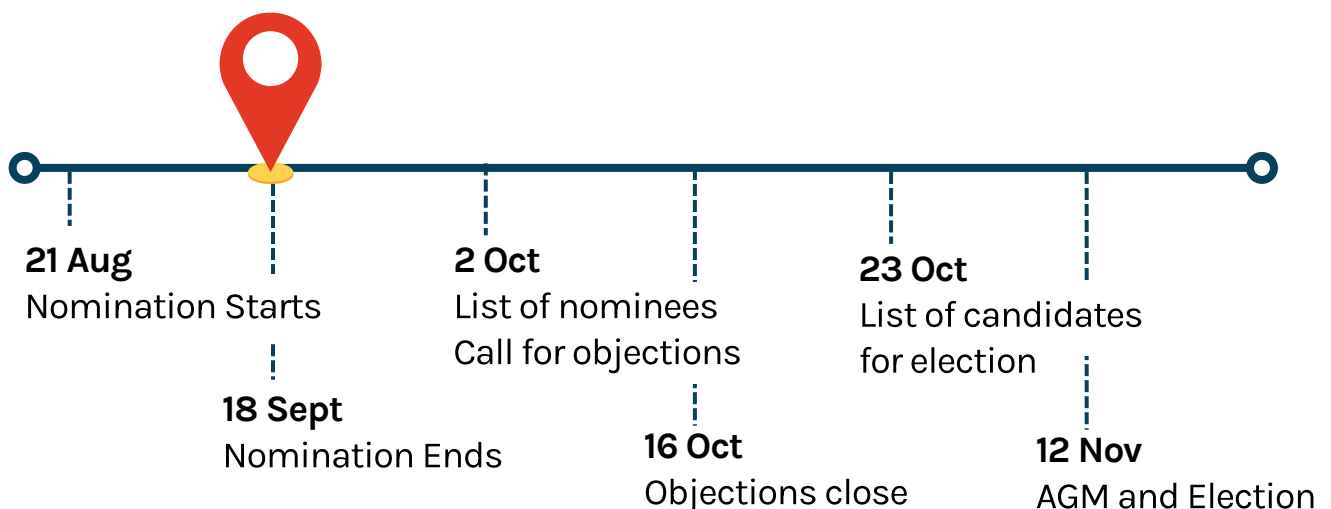
If you plan to make a contribution via cheque, please make sure it is made payable to "**Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang, Singapore**". Please ensure that you write the full name so that the cheque can be processed smoothly.

Family News



Leadership Renewal Process

Today is the FINAL Sunday to submit nominations for elders, deacons and board members!





Directory Photos



The Church plans to publish a fresh pictorial edition of our membership directory in early 2023. If you would like to update your directory picture, we will set up a space where you can take your photo on Sunday.

Brother Larry Lim will be taking photos from 10:30am to 11:00am, and sister Veronica Lim will be taking photos from 12:15pm to 12:45pm. This will last the whole month of September, starting today and ending on 28 September.

If you already have a headshot that you would like to use, please email it to minister John Lim (johnlim@ppcoc.org).

Please make sure that your photo is high-resolution (not blurry or grainy), that it is on a plain background (any colour is fine), and most importantly that we can see your entire face. If you're unsure if your photo meets the standard, there's no harm in taking another good picture of yourself!



Condolences: sister Imelda's father



Sister Imelda, the helper of sister Soo Lang, received word that her father passed away on Wednesday, 14 September, in the Philippines. Let us pray that the Lord will offer them comfort and peace at this time of grieving.

May God the Father of mercies and comfort be with sister Imelda and her family; may King Jesus the Lord of Life reveal to them the hope of resurrection in the midst of death; and may the Holy Spirit transform their sorrows into hope everlasting.



**SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
11AM TO 3PM**

SENIORS GATHERING

50 YEARS AND ABOVE

**LUNCH
SHARING
DEVOTION**



**LIMITED TO
FIRST 40
SIGN-UPS**



**SHERWOOD TOWERS FUNCTION ROOM
3 JALAN ANAK BUKIT (LEVEL 5)**





GEMS GAMES DAY

9TH OCTOBER 2022

GAMES : 9.30AM - 10.30AM

MOVIE SCREENING : 11.00AM - 12.30PM

Come, celebrate Children's Day with us! There will be games, prizes, goodie bags and lots of fun. Invite your friends to this exciting event too.



Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang, Singapore



The Church Is Our Family

"Therefore, if there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose." Philippians 2:1-2 (NASB)

We are all born into a biological family. As Christians, we are born into God's spiritual family. God is the Father of all believers. Each local church belongs to God's universal family (the universal Church).

In our local congregation, we have fathers, mothers, older and younger siblings, relatives, friends, and even colleagues born into the spiritual family of God's Church.

Each family upholds a set of values that form their beliefs. This also holds true for the Lord's family. At PP Church of Christ, one of our fundamental beliefs is that the church is the family of God. This belief influences our priorities and how we treat one another.

We hold to the same commitment and love for our spiritual family as we do for our biological family. We don't only meet once a week for worship and praise, prayer and the study of God's Word.

As God's church family, we are committed to Jesus in love and fellowship with one another, just as biological families, love, support, and are committed to the well-being of one another.

Each husband is fully committed to his wife, so she feels that her home is secure. Reciprocally, each wife is fully committed to her husband, so he feels supported and ready to do his best for his family. When the father and mother are committed to one another, the children feel protected and safe.

Weekly Nugget | Kuek Lee Hock

Commitment means I am going to pursue your best interests, not because I always feel like it, but because I choose to be committed to the family.

There are times when we don't feel like getting up early for work or school, but we decide to do so because of our family. Sometimes my wife and I get into an argument and it doesn't feel like we are loving one another, but true love prevails! We decide to act according to commitment, not our feelings. When members of the church family commit to one another, they mature and grow spiritually.

To do this, we need to connect to the “hub” by committing ourselves to Jesus first, and then be committed to our brothers and sisters. For example, we may not feel like attending care team meetings, but we go because of our commitment to our brothers and sisters.

Remember that commitment means I am going to pursue your best interests before mine! Not because I feel like it, but because I make a decision to do so. Commitment in the church means we are willing to sacrifice for the benefit of our brothers and sisters. God demonstrated His commitment for us by sending His Son, Jesus, to die for our sins on the cross.

We see the great example of the love for the family in Acts 2:44-47. Note carefully what followed their baptism: The 3000 disciples converted were not casual church members. They were totally committed to the family – God's Church! And they bore MUCH fruit!

Reflection:

- What do family members do for one another?
- What do parents (Heavenly Father) expect from filial children?
- What are the parallel responsibilities and accountabilities of the functional biological family and that of the spirit-filled family?

Prayer:

Thank You, Heavenly Father for giving us families and brothers and sisters in the church who share their love through prayers and support.

May we nourish one another through the feeding of Your spiritual food via Your Bread of Life and Your Living Water.

Strengthen the family so the world can see the love in us. In Christ's Name, we pray. Amen.

Connect With Us

Prayer Requests/ Feedback



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



Meet Our People

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