

# FOCUS



CHURCH of CHRIST  
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

## Sunday Morning Worship



**By John Lim | 16 October 2022**

God's mission is to glorify His name throughout the whole world. He desires all creation to know their Creator and honour Him by living according to His design. Those of us who have experienced this good life under God are called to share this life with those who don't know it yet, and that's how God's Mission happens through us.

This is the part of "mission" that we're probably most familiar with. We want to be witnesses of Jesus in foreign lands where His kingdom has not yet begun. We have a God-given hunger for the nations of the world, especially for our region of Southeast Asia, to hear the gospel and worship God.

How do we go about that? How do we pay attention to the Holy Spirit's guidance? How do we expect the unexpected ways that God will call us to be witnesses? And what does the book of Acts say about this expansion of the kingdom of God into Judea and Samaria, the lands beyond the local? Let's explore these questions today!

# Sunday Morning Worship

## Order of Worship

This Is The Day

Opening

I Sing Praises

Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

Scripture: Psalm 47

Prayer

I Love To Tell The Story

Communion

Giving

Light The Fire

Scripture: Acts 8:4-8

Sermon

Into Our Hands

Announcements

Shepherd's Prayer

Pass It On

## Devotional Questions (Acts 8:4-8)

- 1 Prior to Acts 8, Jews and Samaritans had a very rocky relationship. Why do you think Philip still went out of Jerusalem (where he was serving as a deacon) to witness to the people of Samaria?
- 2 We saw that both the Samaritans and the Ethiopian eunuch reacted with "great joy" at Philip's witnessing. How can your life bring joy to those beyond your boundaries?
- 3 Every missionary effort in Scripture is empowered by the Holy Spirit. What are some habits that you could practice to be sensitive to the Spirit's guidance?



# Upcoming Events



**16 Oct | 9:30am**

## **Adult Bible Class**

"Struck Dead By God"

Acts 5:1-11

By Lim Cher Kiat

## **GEMS Bible Class (Nursery)**

Contact Agnes Lim

(9858 5935)

## **Youth Bible Class**

"Doctrine of Sin"

Christian Cornerstones

By John Lim

## **GEMS Bible Class (Kinderkids)**

"Jesus Gives His Life For You"

Matthew 26:47-27:66

Contact Josephine Seow (9170 4343)

## **GEMS Bible Class (Cradle Roll)**

Contact Audrey Lee

(9855 4957)

## **GEMS Bible Class (P123)**

"Rahab and the Two Spies"

Joshua 2:1-24

Contact Joanne Foo (9683 8266)

## **GEMS Bible Class (Toddlers)**

Contact Koo Hwee Yee

(9173 2365)

## **GEMS Bible Class (P456)**

"David Showed Kindness"

2 Samuel 9-10

Contact Rosalind Lee (9621 9006)



**19 Oct | 7:30pm**

## **Wednesday Bible Class**

"The All-Providing King" (John 6:1-15)



**21 Oct | 6pm**

## **Youth Huddle**

Contact John Lim (8689 2008)

# Giving

Last Week's Giving: **\$13,542**



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Building Fund  
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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

## GEMS Day



It was a fun-filled Sunday morning as the GEMS kids exhibited their twirling, balancing and tossing skills. We would like to thank all the teachers and parents for their support and donations to make the event a memorable and enjoyable one!

## Missions Sunday



Every year, the fourth Sunday of October is Missions Sunday. We place special emphasis on our missions partners around the region, and we set aside our entire collection on this Sunday for our Missions Fund.

This fund is used to support our partners and also to send teams from PP to participate in the work of the kingdom.

During the Bible class hour, Irvin, Kyle and John will facilitate a special session on "Praying the Mission of God." We look forward to a time where we can come together in the greatest action that the church can perform together!

## Anniversary Sunday



Right after Missions Sunday, the last Sunday of October is set aside as our church's anniversary. We celebrate God's faithfulness to our congregation over the last 57 years, and the fact that we are both recipients and agents of God's Mission in Singapore, Southeast Asia, and the world.

We welcome all our brothers and sisters who have ever been a part of the PP family to return and celebrate with us! If you have friends or relatives whom you haven't seen in a long time, this is the time to invite them back. If you are reading this and haven't been back for a long time, this is a fantastic opportunity to return!

The worship service will be a special song-and-Scripture service led by Irvin, Kyle and John, and long-time member and brother Chew Chong Lin will preach the Word.



## As a man thinks, so is he

"Do not eat the bread of a man who is stingy; do not desire his delicacies, for he is like one who is inwardly calculating. "Eat and drink!" he says to you, but his heart is not with you." (Proverbs 23:6-7)

We are defined by our thoughts. Every action starts with a thought. Ultimately, it is what "a man thinks, so is he." What one says or does is not necessarily what one is thinking. A person can be courteous, even polite, but have contentious thoughts and sentiments.

If we don't have control over something we are THINKING about, then we cannot change our behaviour.

To have God's power in our life and work, we must hear and obey His voice to replace the carnal worldly thoughts running through our heads and minds! God speaks to you through His Holy Spirit via the Word of God.

God empowers us by His Holy Spirit. To be filled with fullness of His power, we must learn and be guided to move by the power of the Holy Spirit. To become like Jesus, you must think His thoughts, speak His words, and do His deeds. We are (1) what we think, (2) what we say, (3) and what we do!

Reflection:

1. Who do we 'listen' to as we go about our daily life?
2. What is the 'inner voice' telling you to do? Is that 'God's voice'?
3. List down some areas of your life that you are willing to seek God's guidance daily? And put it into action for the next 30 days!

Prayer:

Father, we need Your leading and empowerment. Keep working on us until we are submissive to Your will. May each day be a glorious new beginning of becoming more and more like Christ. As we seriously examine our lives before Your Word, cleansed by the blood of Christ, we submit to the control of Your Spirit. Shine Your light through our daily living and make us into conduits of Your blessings as we live, love, and serve others. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

# Connect With Us

## Prayer Requests/ Feedback



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



## Meet Our People

### Elders

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