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CHURCH *of* CHRIST
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

Sunday Morning Worship



Song & Word | 25 December 2022

Today, Christians across the world celebrate the Good News of Jesus the Incarnate, God-With-Us who was "born that man no more may die." Billions more who have not yet confessed Jesus as Lord nonetheless sit up and pay attention to the mystery of the God who became Man.

For the past few weeks, our church family has been exploring the significance of Jesus' Coming - how He is the Child of God in whom Light, Life and Living Water come to overcome darkness, death and desolation. Today, we celebrate the fact that Jesus had truly come into the world, and we declare anew our hope that He will come again.

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

[Rejoice in the Lord](#)

[Joy to the World](#)

Scripture: Psalm 96

Opening Prayer

[O Come, All Ye Faithful](#)

[Come to the Table](#)

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Giving

Last Week's Giving: **\$4,460**



General Fund
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Missions Fund
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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.

Upcoming Events

 **25 Dec | 9:30am**



 **28 Dec | 7:30pm**

Wednesday Bible Class
"Separation Time"
(John 8:21-30)

Family News



Youth Camp 2022



Youth Camp 2022 was a rousing success! We give thanks to God for allowing us to gather once again as a whole group after two whole years of scattered camps.



The Youth explored what it means to live abundant lives by finding our stories within the story of God. Of course, there were also plenty of card games, relationship building, and laughter!



The organisers would also like to thank all adults who volunteered as chaperones and meal sponsors!

Family News



Triple Baptism!



(Above: group photo at Sis. Veronica Lim's condo where the baptisms took place)

During the Youth Camp, heaven and earth rejoiced as siblings Madeline (11), Salvador (10) and Genevieve (8) confessed their faith in Jesus Christ and obeyed Him in baptism.

Minister John Lim baptised them in the presence of family and their newfound friends. Let us surround these new babes in Christ with our prayers and love and support!



Family News



Preachers & Teachers Appreciation



This afternoon, a special lunch will be held to celebrate our members who have served as messengers of God's word, whether as Bible Class teachers or preachers. It is a great and heavy task to proclaim God's word, and we celebrate those whom God has anointed and empowered for this task in 2022!



Collection for sister Mary Rozario



We appeal to the church to assist the family of Sister Mary Rozario. Her husband's recent stroke resulted in a large medical bill that needs to be paid off, along with other family expenses. A special collection will be taken after the service at the table outside the Galleria Ballroom. Please look for Brothers Edwin Kweok and Vincent Lim.

Retirement of Minister Tan Beng Chuan



Today, as Brother Beng Chuan closes one chapter and begins another in his life, we want to take the opportunity to thank him for 9 years of faithful service as our church family's Lead Minister.

As our Lead Minister, Beng Chuan was instrumental in raising the worshipfulness of our Sunday services and overseeing the curriculum of our various Bible classes. In recent years, Beng Chuan has devoted himself to disciple making, particularly with the unchurched. Like the shepherds we read about in scripture, Beng Chuan's desire is for the Lord's sheep to return to Him.

Brother Beng Chuan leaves a legacy of creativity and courageous service in ministry for us. After years of working in the insurance industry and serving as an elder in our church family, he stepped out in faith to join our staff in a time of need.

We thank God for Beng Chuan and all he has done for the kingdom and our church family through his many years as a leader, an elder and a minister. We pray that God will bless his future with good health, the joy and drive to serve in new ways, and a delight in the legacy he has left behind.

Focus Day 2023

🕒 9am-12pm

📅 Monday, 2 January 2023

📍 Paradiso Room
(Grand Copthorne Level 3)

Start the year afresh and refreshed!

Grab your coffee and tea as we huddle together in sharing what's happening around our communities at PP and praying for each other as we begin 2023 together as family!



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Celebrate! A Year-End Reflection

Time sure flies! With 2023 peering over us, it is a good time to reflect on and celebrate God's blessings and providence upon us in 2022, and fix our eyes on the only One who knows what next year will be for all of us.

It is also time to make our resolutions for the coming year. Resolutions are personal and firm decisions made to do (or not do) something. The Bible does not specifically mention New Year's resolutions but it does talk about being careful before making a vow before God.

"It is better not to make a vow at all, than to make one and not keep it" (Ecc 5:5). We are encouraged to "be strong and do not give up, for your work will be rewarded" (2 Chron 15:7).

Look Back and Reflect on 2022...

"Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always. Remember the wonders He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He pronounced" (1 Chron 16:11-12).

Below are some questions to kick-start our memories:

- What were the lows and hard times you had faced in 2022?
- What were your highlights and blessings?
- How have you been blessed by God?
- Were there unresolved pains, struggles, and doubts?
- What spiritual disciplines helped you draw nearer to God and why?
- How regularly have you created spaces for silence to be with God?
- How often have you sought God's counsel from His Word in 2022?

Envisioning for the New Year—2023

“Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus” (Phil 3:13-14).

- What are you excited about as 2023 approaches?
- What is motivating you to live for God in 2023?
- What Scripture(s) drive you toward that challenge?
- In what specific way can you be less focused on self and be more on God?
- How can you be more mindful of God’s presence daily?
- In what specific ways can you better serve others in 2023?
- What have you to give up in order for the Holy Spirit to dwell in you as the temple of God?
- Will you invest your time in discipling a younger person, relative, neighbor, or co-worker, or even mentoring others to serve God?
- Which areas of spiritual disciplines will you develop to benefit self and others?

Psalm 26:2 “Test me, LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind.” Begin the new year with a clean slate so you can fully embrace the blessings of God in 2023. May you shine the light of Christ in the coming 2023 year.

Prayer:

Father in Heaven, as we give thanks for Your blessings in 2022, may our faith increase as You pour new blessings on us in the coming year. Remembering Your provision and providence helps us confront seemingly insurmountable problems.

Instead of despairing, fill us with the confident expectation that as You had carried us through challenging times in the past year, You, Lord, can do exceedingly above anything we could ask or think.

Weekly Nugget | Kuek Lee Hock

So often we come to You, Father, with our requests, but spend little time thanking You for answering our prayers and even the blessings You poured out over us, without our asking.

Thank you for the cleansing blood of Your Son, Jesus, that cleanses us as we strive towards progressively being sanctified and living out in the likeness of Christ.

In His precious name we pray. Amen.

Note: It has been a journey of joy to share with all of you, the spiritual nuggets weekly from God's Word in 2022. I have been blessed greatly by God in the personal devotions and time with God, as I prepared and wrote the nuggets. I hope they have been beneficial and helpful in your daily walk with God. I will stop writing the weekly nuggets for Focus but the daily nuggets will continue. God bless us all in 2023!

The Focus Newsletter Team would like to thank Brother Lee Hock for his contributions to the Focus for the entire year of 2022. His writings continue to bless and inspire many, and if you would like to continue receiving these nuggets, please contact us at 9060 1400 and we'll put you in contact with him.

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