

## **Sunday Morning Worship**



#### Generosity Is Restorative |25 August 2024

These days, you might see people in polo shirts, standing around holding clipboards or iPads. While our first instinct might be to walk off in another direction, let's say one of them makes eye contact with you. Before you can say a word, they're sharing that they're raising funds for such and such a charity that serves an important cause. And for a nominal fee each month, as little as the price of a single cup of coffee, we could change lives.

And yet, we feel the pinch. Despite our ease at splurging on personal luxuries, to part with a fraction of our money for someone else's benefit seems infinitely harder. Perhaps we even wonder, "What's in it for me?"

The truth is, a lot. For even as we choose to be generous over personal abundance, something in us gets restored to the way it should: our love for our neighbour. And that's not to mention how much restoration is created for those who receive that generosity.

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#### **Order of Worship**

All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name Family News Only A Holy God Healing Grace Prayer Scripture: Psalm 85 Restore My Soul Sermon Goodness of God Communion and Giving Shepherd's Blessing Spirit Touch Your Church

## Giving

### Sunday Giving: **\$12,417 / \$13,500**



General Fund S76SS0008AGFD



Missions Fund S76SS0008AMFD



Building Fund S76SS0008ABFD

# **Upcoming Events**

### 🔽 25 August | 9:30am

🔽 29 Aug | 8:00pm

<b>Combined Bible Class (Room 201)</b> "Family Is Image-Making" Series Sexuality Is Image-Making	<b>GEMS - Kinderkids (Room 307)</b> Solomon Builds The Temple (1 Kings 5-8)
<b>GEMS - Cradle Roll (Room 206)</b> Thank You God For Making Me	<b>GEMS - P12 (Room 306)</b> The Second Cleansing of the Temple (Mark 11:15-33)
<b>GEMS - Toddlers (Room 305)</b> The Prodigal Son	<b>GEMS - P34 (Room 308)</b> Spiritual Reforms In Judah (Ezra 7-10)
<b>GEMS - Nursery (Room 304)</b> The Twelve Spies (Numbers 13-14:39)	<b>GEMS - P56 (Room 309)</b> Spiritual Reforms In Judah (Ezra 7-10)
💆 25 Aug   12:30pm	<b>Gardening Ministry Fellowship Lunch</b> See page 8
	FFF Monthly Fellowship Room 302
	<b>Deaf Ministry: Song and Sign</b> See page 9
🔽 25 Aug   1:00pm	<b>Art and Craft: Lunch &amp; Workshop</b> Room 303
🔽 26 Aug   7:30pm	<b>Gladiolus Place Devotional</b> Contact Lucy Kwan (9838 3131)

**Online Prayer Warriors** See page 10

### **PPCOC Welcome Team: Recruiting Smiles!**

Here at PP, we want to be a church family that welcomes many to the table of Jesus. When someone new sets foot into our community, we want them to feel welcomed into the presence of God, to be met by a smiling face and a warm handshake. This would be our team of ushers and 'bouncers' who help to welcome people into our worship space and ensure everything is orderly.

Last Sunday, we combined these teams into what we call our "Welcome Team" where they were trained on best practices to be welcoming, hospitable and generous. We are thankful for those who have been a part of this training already, and we are prayerful for the Spirit to move our church family members to join us.

If you have a welcoming spirit and enjoy making visitors and returning members here at PP few at home, we invite you to speak with our Ministry Executive sister Josephine Seah, or to drop us an email at hello@ppcoc.org.





### 60th Anniversary

PPCOC has been through quite a journey over the last 60 years!

As we look at our history, it is more than just a string of random, accidental events. We believe our journey has been touched and made holy by a God who is actively redeeming and transforming us for His purposes. Where exactly He is leading us is a glorious and exciting mystery that He invites us to discover for ourselves!

At the same time, we discern the need for a time of confession. What barriers remain in us that would hinder God's work in us moving forward? Let us lay ourselves at the feet of Jesus, brokenness and imperfections and all, so that He can break our chains, forgive our transgressions, and free us for something far greater.

Our Organising Committee led by brother Isaac Tay invites all members of PPCOC to share reflections and stories celebrating how God has worked in this church over the past 60 years. These stories will be compiled and published for all to read and be inspired by what God has done here.

#### We love to gather your reflections and stories that celebrates how God has worked in PPCOC over the past 60 years.

#### Your sharing will be published in our Focus in October :)

- Everyone is invited to contribute! Children too!
- The intent is to celebrate God's work through stories so let us edify and encourage one another through our sharing!

#### Here's some topics we like you to contribute to

- 1. Celebrating your best memories in PPCOC
- 2. Thanksgiving for how God has worked in your life
- 3. One prayer or hope for PPCOC in the next 10 years

#### Format wise - anything in printed form!

- For written submission There's no hard word limit, but don't worry it need not be lengthy.
- If you don't wish to write, a drawing/ sketch is good too!

#### How to submit?

Email your contribution to: ppcoc60@gmail.com by 15 Sep

If you've any questions, feel free to reach out to:

- Candice (97667103)
- Aaron Tan (93220137)
- Jabez Lee (92321354)
- Lauren Leow (82334422)

Please email your stories to ppcoc60@gmail.com by 15 September!

### Ministry Opportunity: Hosting Overseas Guests for 60th Anniversary

This year, we are looking forward to many of our overseas brethren visiting Singapore to celebrate the completion of our new building and our 60th anniversary! As a Table-Spreading people, we want to show hospitality to these brethren who have travelled far to join our fellowship.

We will have various mission partners and friends of PPCOC traveling to Singapore from 25-28 October, and we are appealing for members who can host these kingdom workers during their time here.

If you would like to host or require more information, please email us at hello@ppcoc.org.





### **Special Collections Report**

Over the last few Sundays, we've had special collections in response to the natural disasters happening in the Philippines and India. We thank the church for practicing Generosity and contributing to the Mission Fund and relief work for the region.

We are happy to report that we have raised \$6,975 for the relief efforts in the Philippines, which will be channeled through our brethren at MARCH for Christ, and \$3,940 for relief efforts in Kerala, India, which will be channeled through our brother Joel Madiki. Thank you again for your generosity, and we pray that God will take our humble offering and multiply it beyond our imagination.



### **Gladiolus Place Fundraiser**



Some weeks ago, we shared a fundraising event by one of our local mission partners, Gladiolus Place. This aims to fund counselling services for the teenage girls from troubled backgrounds to be reconciled, reintegrated and restored to their biological families.

They are making a final push to meet their fundraising goal of \$125,000. If you are interested to contribute to this good cause, please drop us an email at hello@ppcoc.org to find out how you can contribute.

#### A Note of Thanks: Emily Wan



We praise God for the successful knee replacement surgery for Sister Emily Wan! We thank the church for supporting her through your prayers, companionship and support. Sister Emily also extends her thanks to the church:

"I would like to thank the church for praying for me during my recent knee replacement surgery. Thank God for His presence was with me, and His guidance was with the medical team. The operation was swift and smooth. I am following up with post operation rehabilitation. Once again, I want to thank you, my brothers and sisters. I am truly blessed by your wonderful prayer support."

May we always strive to be generous with our prayers and our love for one another!

### **Gardening Ministry Fellowship Lunch**



Our Gardening Ministry is hosting a fellowship lunch this Sunday from 12:30pm to 2pm in Room 102. This will be accompanied by a sharing of how God has been working in this ministry over the past few years, as well as a platform to envision the future of this work for God's glory.

Through this lunch, the Gardening Ministry seeks to like inspire others to participate God's work in the Gardening Ministry, and to enjoy the fellowship of fellow Christian brethren.

#### Welcome Matthias Nah!



We rejoice over the birth of Matthias to Benjamin and Jacqueline Nah! We also congratulate Richard and Linda Leow on becoming first-time grandparents! May God bless this beautiful new soul!



### Song and Sign: Deaf Ministry Monthly Event

This monthly event seeks to teach members how to sing in sign language and so be empowered to worship with our Deaf brethren! We want to affirm and commend our Deaf Ministry for what God is doing in them!



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29 August 2024 | 8pm

### Zoom ID: 637 679 3407 Password: Kumbaya



Prayer Theme: SENIORS MINISTRY



### Recap: First Aid, CPR, AED Course





Pictured: participants showcasing their skills at bandaging head wounds and performing CPR.

On 17 August, 35 members of the PP Family were trained to respond to medical situations. All participants were fully engaged in the hands-on practice, learning how to perform CPR effectively, use an AED machine, administer basic first aid, and respond to emergencies confidently and compassionately.

We hope that these skills not only help save lives physically but also serve as a spiritual reminder of how we are called to be there for one another. We pray that this training will be part of our ongoing commitment to serve others in ways that honour God's love and mission.

From brother Peter Guo: "Great experience. I'm certain the Lord is equipping His people with such a vital life skill that firstly can preserve life and more importantly save His sheep who haven't been brought to the flock yet, so that they can see it's been God's grace and mercy that kept their life for His glory!"

From brother Gerald Goh: "This course jostled and reminded me of the brevity of human life – our lives can be threatened and cut short at any time. Therefore, we should value it for what it is and do our very best going forward, allowing God the room to do the rest."

### **Connect With Us**

### Meet Our People

#### **Elders** Simon Goh Peter Lim Lim Swee Aun Pang Tee Liang

#### Deacons

Lim Kok Hin Frederick Yu Romaine Jackson

#### Staff

Irvin Wan Kyle Hooper John Lim Liesl Low Josephine Seah

#### Pledge and Building Fund Committee

Peter Lim Jim Kawi Grace Mariaraja



Facility Stewardship (FAST) Team Peter Lim Jason Mok Donald Siew Irvin Wan Josephine Seah

### FACILITY REQUEST FORM



Thank you for joining us in stewarding our new building for the blessing of all! Rooms will be available for request via <u>this Google Form</u>.

After receiving written approval from the PP staff, users may use the space in accordance with the Terms of Use stated in the form. If you have any questions or clarifications, please drop us an email at <u>hello@ppcoc.org</u>.

Thank you!