



# CHAPEL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

AN ANGLICAN PARISH OF DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

## OUR VISION & MISSION

We, the Chapel of The Holy Spirit, stand as a Spirit-filled and prayerful community, rooted in the Word of God, with a heart for one another and the world.

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

English	11:00am
Mandarin	8:45am
Tamil	5:00pm

### BISHOP OF SINGAPORE

The Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

### ASSISTANT BISHOP

The Rt Revd Low Jee King

### ARCHDEACON OF SINGAPORE

Venerable Daniel Wee

### AG VICAR

Revd Peter Chen

### PRIESTS

Revd Gary Chng  
Revd Lawrence Asilvatham

### SERMON

## YOU ARE CALLED TO BE A *MARTYR*

By Revd Peter Chen

### SCRIPTURE VERSE

Acts 1:6-11

## 23/01/22

### Becoming a Great Commission Church

*And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* (Matt 28: 18-20, ESV)

Our direction for CHS in 2022 will be toward "**Becoming a Great Commission Church**" and to enable each believer to be a Great Commission disciple.

The pandemic has changed our worship and community life. Many have become living-room worshippers, drifting into complacency and lukewarmness.

As we enter the third year of the pandemic, it is imperative for us to consider how to stir up one another to love and good work, not neglecting to meet together and urgent to bring the gospel to those in need of Christ. Let us together make special efforts to grow in knowledge and love for God, to live in obedience to His word and be zealous in witnessing.

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# NEW HERE? WELCOME!

A warm welcome to those who are new to the church. Please introduce yourself to the pastors or ushers and leave us your contact. Let us know if you need us to pray for you or you would like more information on the various ministries and community life.

## INFORMATION

### A. Registration for 11:00am Service

Registration is required - via Eventbrite: <https://chs-english.eventbrite.sg>

For registration: Exact Name of Attendee is required.

- Open: Sunday after 5pm
- Close: Thursday by 11:59pm/ or earlier if we reach max capacity.
- Admission by ticket only
- No mingling before, during and after service.

### B. Tithes & Offerings (contactless mode preferred)

#### 1. At Service

Place your offering into the offering box at the end of the church service



#### 2. PAYNOW

PAYNOW to **CHAPEL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Name of Bank : DBS Bank  
Account Number : 025-009277-5  
Account Type : autosave / current  
UEN Number : T08CC4061K

#### 3. ATM

#### 4. BTM

#### 5. Cheque

### C. WIFI Access

SSID : CHS-guest  
Password : chsguest

### D. Facilities Booking Request

Applications for CHS Facilities is closed until further notice.

Staff In-Charge: Mr Daren Hoon

### E. Livestreamed Worship & Sermon link for 11.00am English service

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr0H-QkIWPXyZKdehIYQ1AA>

### F. CHS Website

<http://www.chs.org.sg>

### G. Worship Service Schedule

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Holy Communion)			11:00AM
Date	30th Jan 2022	6th Feb 2022	13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2022
Day	Epiphany 4	Epiphany 5	Epiphany 6
Speaker	Revd Gary Chng	Revd Peter Chen	Revd. Gary Chng
Title	Inside out	I Am the Bread of Life	I Am the Light of the World
Text	John 2:1-11	John 6: 22-35	John 8:12-18

## Collect

### Epiphany 3

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love: renew your people with heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### For Meditation and/or Memory

#### **GOD'S HELP & COMFORT IN TIMES OF TROUBLE**

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

\_ John 14:27 \_

### Praise Song for Personal Devotion

#### **IT IS WELL**

<https://youtu.be/0mlTnbu8hKw>

### Prayer Pointers

Pray for the Church

- For Christ to move so powerfully and clearly that His people, as well as the onlooking world, are filled with awe.

Pray for the nations

- For God's people to turn away from greed and worldly desires and become more generous than ever.

Pray for one another

- For young people to follow Christ early in life, serving Him with a lifetime of extreme devotion.

### Need Prayers?

Remain in your seat after the service and a member of the pastoral team will come to pray with you or write your prayer request and drop into the offering box.

### Prayer Meeting

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday.

Let's Come Together for a Time of Praise & Intercession

Next Prayer Meeting :11<sup>th</sup> February 2022, 8pm, Zoom

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83239706347?pwd=L0d5Q29OaWxPSllldlpaR3lzVVMvQT09>

Meeting ID: 832 3970 6347 Passcode: pnp

### Chaplaincy Prayer Meeting

Every Monday 8am during school term.

Zoom link: Meeting ID 88954130558 Passcode: 706183

# WEEKLY DEVOTION

## Weekly Devotions: THE REFINING FIRE OF TRIALS 9

### Trials Help Us to have a Small View of Self and a Big View of God

For God to increase, we must decrease. We are not likely to appreciate God's power and faithfulness when things are going well in our lives. But when our world collapses and everything we trust; our wealth, our capabilities, our strength fail us, then will we appreciate that our God never fails us and only He can help us. Problems open our eyes to our human limitations and drive us to look to God for help. We come to recognize the supremacy and sufficiency of God's power when we are in situations beyond us. Troubles, especially those that persist, humble us and cause us to admit that we are not invincible. Only God is omnipotent and nothing is impossible to Him.

### Read 2 Cor. 12: 7-10

Paul was highly qualified and had accomplished much in bringing the gospel to the known world. On top of that, he had supernatural encounters and was gifted in performing signs and wonder. All these could easily get into his head and led him to feel spiritually superior to others. But there was something in his life, a 'thorn in the flesh' that plagued him continuously and which he could not get rid of.

Scholars differ in their views about what Paul's 'thorn in the flesh' (7) was; some think it is a physical affliction, others believe it may be the persecution he had to face, a difficult co-laborer, Jewish opponents, spiritual attack or temptation of the flesh. Whatever the 'thorn' was, the effect was unbearable for Paul. The word translated 'harass' (ESV), 'torment' (NIV) in verse 7 actually means to 'strike with the fist', to 'brutally beat', not just once or a few times but repeatedly. This 'thorn' kept tormenting Paul. He earnestly petitioned God to make it go away but God's reply was that He would give Paul the grace and strength to bear with it. Paul came to accept that this prolonged agony actually kept him from becoming conceited in his ministry. It also led him to be dependent on God whose power was revealed in and through his weakness. In our time of weakness we can look to God who will sustain us with His power (9).

### *Questions to Ponder*

1. Paul's 'thorn in the flesh' kept him humble (7). Do you also have a 'thorn in the flesh' and how has it affected you and kept you dependent on God?
2. What did Paul ask God to do for him and what was God's response to him (8-10)? How did Paul come to see this persistent problem in his life?
3. What hinder you from putting your total trust in God? What do you see is your 'weakness' and what does it mean for God's power to 'be perfected in your weakness'?

## Weekly Devotions: THE REFINING FIRE OF TRIALS 10

### Do You Love & Trust God 'Because of' or 'In Spite of'?

Trials are times of testing which reveal what type of faith we have and the depth of our love for God. Many of us come to faith because God had done something for us or there is something about the church we like. However, 'because of' faith does not last; when things don't go well in our lives or when the good feelings fizzle out, those whose faith is 'because of' will turn away from God. Our faith must mature from 'because of' faith to 'in spite of' faith, which is an act of the will, a determination to trust and love God in spite of hardships. Like Jesus who gave His life for us in spite of our sins, we also should love Him and remain faithful in spite of unanswered prayers or difficulties.

There are many lessons we can learn from the story of Job about 'in spite of' faith. Job, a righteous and God-fearing man, was stripped off everything; wealth, descendants, health, and even friends. Job suffered not one but a series of horrific losses and endured senseless pain and trauma. Despite his trials, Job remained faithful to God. He lamented about his pain but he did not turn away from God. At the end, God did not tell Job the purpose of his suffering, only reminded him that He is sovereign and in control. (38:2-4; 12; 22-23; 39-41). God also did not charge Job with any sin that had led to his sufferings. He vindicated Job and blessed his remaining life with twice as much as he had before.

Someone said, "True faith is not about getting the tension removed, but to remain in the tension with the ability to express conviction and trust in God despite the circumstances." What type of faith will please God more? The person who praises Him because life is good or the one who praises Him in spite of his sufferings?

### Read Job 1: 7-22

In Job 1, Satan insinuated that Job's love for God is because of His blessings on his life; without them, Job would turn away from God. Satan accused Job of having conditional faith or 'because of' faith. But God believed in Job and had confidence in Job's devotion and commitment.

### *Questions to Ponder*

1. What did Satan accuse Job of (9-12)? If the devil were to accuse you the way he accused Job, would his accusations be valid?
2. What did Job lose in this first round of attack and how did Job respond (20-22)? If you were Job, how would you respond? Is there one thing / person that you love more than God, the loss of which may cause you to lose your faith? How resilient is your faith in God and how can it be robust, 'in spite of' faith?

Prepared by: Rosalind Chen

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## **CHS Christian Education Program 2022**

Refer to CHS Web for 2022 CE program and pastoral encouragement from the Acting Vicar  
<http://www.chs.org.sg>

### **Let's Talk About Jesus**

Date: 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022 (3 Sat, 2-4pm)

By: Revd Peter Chen & team.

Register @ <https://forms.office.com/r/A4k5y07t5E>

Personal sharing and discussion on the difference Jesus makes in our lives. Invite your pre-believing friends and loved ones.

Click here for more info. <http://www.chs.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/1st-Quarter-E-flyer-Web-Lets-Talk-About-Jesus.pdf>

### **Law & Grace**

Date: 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022 (3 Sat, 10am-12nn)

By: Revd Daniel Tong

Register @ <https://forms.office.com/r/qGC3GhceGQ>

Are the OT and the Mosaic Law obsolete? Can there be salvation without repentance and transformation of life?

Click here for more info.

<http://www.chs.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/1st-Quarter-E-Flyer-Web-Law-Grace.pdf>

### **James: The Characteristics of Authentic Faith**

Date: 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> March (3 Thurs, 8-9.30 pm)

By: Revd Peter Chen

Register @ <https://forms.office.com/r/H2Z52f436j>

What are the dangers and signs of shallow faith? How authentic is your faith and can it persevere in times of testing?

Click here for more info.

<http://www.chs.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/1st-Quarter-E-flyer-Web-James.pdf>

### **Building Faith Foundations**

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> Mar – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (2pm – 4pm) *\*No class on 17<sup>th</sup> Apr 2022*

Revd Peter Chen, Revd Gary Chng & Team

Register @ <https://forms.office.com/r/RNMSTepcih>

On the fundamental beliefs of the Christian faith; what make it distinctive and how is Jesus different from other religious founders.

Click here for more info.

<http://www.chs.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/1st-Quarter-E-flyer-Web-BFF.pdf>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

## HIGHLIGHTS

### CHS Events 2022

Baptism Service

Resurrection Sunday – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022,

Confirmation Service

Diocesan Whitsunday – 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022,

Those getting baptised and/or confirmed are to attend the 'Building Faith Foundations' Course starting 20 Mar 2022. Those transferring membership from other non-Anglican churches are encouraged to attend.

### Submit AGM Report by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Ministry and Functional leaders are reminded to submit their ministry report for AGM by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

Pls email your report to [info@chs.org.sg](mailto:info@chs.org.sg)

## MINISTRY

### Agape Kids (Children Ministry)

Primary 1 to 6 on-site classes.

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month

Pre- School on-site classes.

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month

Join CHS Agape Kids Parents Communication Channel @ Telegram for announcements. <https://t.me/chsagape>

### Altar Ministry

Altar Flowers Floral Contribution 2022

Contributors, please whatsapp Grace Yap the names & dates for contribution.

Per arrangement is \$40/-. Payment by cash to CHS Office or Paynow via UEN to CHS DBS a/c, reference: Altar Flowers

### Discipleship Group Meeting

#### Online / In-Person

Yet to join a Discipleship Group?

Refer to CHS website for DG details

### The Fireplace (Young Adult Ministry)

Fanning the flames of devotion in a fresh generation.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022 , 7.30pm @CHS

For more details, follow our Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CWAdyqtP8K8/>

### Youth Celebration

Sat, 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022, 2pm, on-site

For more details, follow CHS youth

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/chsyouths/>

### Youth Discipleship Group

Saturday, 2pm, meet in-person/Zoom