

8 Jan 2023 - Order of Service Building a Disciple-Making Church

Holy Communion 9 am to 10 am, 6 pm to 7 pm

Prelude

Show Us Christ (AM)

Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise & Adoration Sing Praise to God Who Reigns on High

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN.

*Hymn of Prayer Breathe on Me, Breath of God

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell, the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. AMEN.

Scripture Reading	Luke 3:1-22 Worship Leader: This is the word of God. Congregation: Thanks be to God.
Sermon	Prepare the Way for Jesus
*Hymn of Response	Jesus Shall Reign

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Welcome & Announcements

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN.

*Benediction

*Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

*Congregation to stand

Putting Time in its Proper Place

It is the start of a new year. How has your week been? As many among us begin to return to our workplaces and schools, furiously cranking up through the gears to try to match the increasing demands on our time, I am reminded of another Presbyterian pastor's purposeful countercultural social media posts on slow living, whereby he espouses a more meaningful, impactful, and conscious lifestyle in line with what we value most in life.

In an increasingly fast-paced world, it is very easy for people, Christians and non-Christians, to be enslaved to time. Squeezing more and more tasks into our waking hours, even reducing our rest time in order to clear the pile of work; we habituate into creatures who do not know how to rest—we even come back from vacations more exhausted than before! Stress is at unprecedented levels, and our physical and mental health suffers. Christian writer Richard James Foster writes in *Freedom of Simplicity: Finding Harmony in a Complex World*, "What will free us from this bondage to the ever-spiralling demands that are placed upon us? The answer is found in the grace of Christian simplicity."

Simplicity is pursuing one goal over all else; it is to uncomplicate and untangle our lives so that we can focus on and enjoy what really matters. It is getting that top priority right, so that the rest falls naturally into place. And in doing so, it creates openness and space in our lives for the growth of contentment and godliness, which is great gain for the disciple of Christ (1 Tim. 6:6). After all, Jesus teaches us that freedom is not found in having and doing but in loving and seeking God and His righteousness as first and foremost (Matt. 6:33). Our work and studies, as well as all other demands on our time, need to find their rightful place in our lives and not take a place higher than they ought to.

What can we do to simplify our lives? Assess the things and activities that are keeping life convoluted. Set priorities that flow from loving God and the things of God above all else. Remove our distractions and preoccupations. Let go of the clutter we are holding onto outwardly in our houses and inwardly in our hearts. Do these so that our time may come under our service to God.

SERMON OUTLINE 8 JAN

Prepare the Way for Jesus

Luke 3:1-22

Introduction: How do we prepare ourselves to receive Jesus?

1. Repent from sin

2. Turn to Jesus

Conclusion

Bible Readings & Prayer Points

Monday

Read Luke 4:1-2. What is the significance of the devil tempting Jesus?

Give thanks for the Young Adults. May God continue to nurture and protect them as they grow in their faith.

Tuesday

Read Luke 4:3-4. What is the meaning of Jesus' response? How can we apply it in our life?

Pray for God to give Singapore the motivation and ability to do its part in tackling climate change issues.

Wednesday

Read Luke 4:5-7. What sort of temptation is the devil subjecting Jesus to?

Pray that our church and its members will show godly patience and endurance in dealing with difficult issues.

Thursday

Read Luke 4:8. What is the meaning of Jesus' response? How can we apply it in our life?

Give thanks for those serving in the Ushering ministry. May God continue to support and guide them as they serve him.

Friday

Read Luke 4:9-11. What sort of temptation is the devil subjecting Jesus to?

Pray for God to give ORPC wisdom and perseverance as it seeks to be a Disciple-Making Church (DMC).

Saturday

Read Luke 4:12-13. What is the meaning of Jesus' response? How can we apply it in our life?

Pray for those who are suffering from dementia. May God continue to uplift their spirit and provide for them.

MINISTRY THIS WEEK

Date		<u>Time</u>	Event	Venue
Sun	8	9.00 am	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
		10.30 am	Youth Fellowship	Chapel
		4.30 pm	Chancel Evening Choir Rehearsal	Dunman Hall A
		6.00 pm	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
			YA Chalet (6 - 8 Jan)	Fairy Point
Tue	10	8.30 am	Pastoral Staff Prayer Meeting	Online
Wed	11	2.00 pm	Pastoral Staff Meeting	DB6
Thu	12	7.30 pm	Chancel Morning Choir Rehearsal	Dunman Hall, SHKAB, SR2
		8.00 pm	CE Committee Meeting	Online
Sat	14	9.00 am	Youth Worship Team Rehearsal	Chapel
		9.30 am	Leaders' Equipping & Training	SHK
		1.00 pm	English Presbytery AGM	Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church
		4.30 pm	Music Makers Club	SHK A, B & SR1, 2

TITHES & OFFERINGS

ORPC English Congregation

(1) CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER

Please make this payable to "Orchard Road Presbyterian Church" and mail to: No. 3 Orchard Road Singapore 238825

(2) INTERBANK TRANSFER

Beneficiary: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church – Giro Offering Bank: UOB/7375/001 Account No: 450-312-122-5

(3) PAYNOW/PAYLAH UEN No.: S90CC0750JGRO Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church - Giro Offering

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We encourage our ORPC members and regular worshippers to faithfully offer their tithes and offerings and to do so electronically where possible.

This is **not** a general solicitation of funds from the public.

FOR ALL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Please indicate the type of Giving, i.e. "ENGLISH - MISSION" or "ENGLISH - GENERAL"

- (1) at the back of <u>Cheque</u> or
- (2) in "Comments" box for Interbank Transfer or
- (3) in "Reference" box for PayNow

OUR OFFERING

OFFERING	TARGET <u>01.1.23- 31.12.23</u>	TARGET TO 01.01.2023	RECEIVED TO 01.01.2023	YTD SURPLUS/(SHORTFALL)
GENERAL	\$1,800,000.00	\$34,615.38	\$28,675.00	(\$5,940.38)
MISSIONS TOTAL	\$250,000.00 \$2,050,000.00	\$4,807.69 \$39,423.07	\$1,741.00 \$30.416.00	(\$3,066.69) (\$9,007.07)
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PREACHING THEMES • SERVICE ROSTER

Sunday Service	8 Jan	15 Jan	22 Jan
	Holy Communion Service	Mission Sunday	
Sermon Title	Prepare the Way for Jesus	Jesus' Temptations	Jesus' Rejection
Scripture Ref	Luke 3:1-22	Luke 4:1-13	Luke 4:16-30
Preacher	Rev Dr Clive Chin	Rev Dr Clive Chin	Rev Dr Edward Goh
Worship Leader	Eld Dr Chung Lai Hong	Dcn Liow Koh Chuan	Eld Lim Ee Tuo
	Dcn Debbie Seah	Eld Dr Tang Yew Chung	Eld Paul Johnson
Pastoral Prayer	Rev Dr Clive Chin	Rev Dr Clive Chin	Rev Dr Edward Goh
Music Director	Dorothy Oskar Lie	Maria Oskar Halim	Dorothy Oskar Lie
	Yap Lee Nah	Su-Lin Lye	Yap Lee Nah
Musicians	Lisa Ong	Eunice Tang	Lisa Ong
	Eunice Tang	Dorothy Oskar Lie	Eunice Tang
	Meyliana Tjoe		Meyliana Tjoe
	Robert Navaratnam	Patrick Harjadi	Robert Navaratnam
		Hannah Leong	
Ushers Team/	Team C	Team G	Team A
Leaders	Kenneth Koh	Eld Neo Kian Hong	Veronica Song
	Team D	Team E	Team F
	lvy Ang	Eld Winston Choo	Ang Eng Joo
	Sanctuary Entrance	Sanctuary Entrance	Sanctuary Entrance
Greeters	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Ps Lim Chung Wei	Pr Tan Hui Ru
	Dcn Alicia Yeo	Eld Dr Chung Lai Hong	Eld Dr Tang Yew Chung
	Pr Ho Wei Liang	Pr Herna Kong	Pr Ho Wei Liang
	Dcn Liow Koh Chuan	Eld Philip Ong	Eld Neo Kian Hong
AV Duty Roster	Jethro Cheung	Mazmur The	Selvarajan Rengasamy
	Maria Oskar Halim	Andrew Loh	Jabez Selvarajan
	Susan Tan	Delia Chan	Donald Lim
	Huang Junxiong	Eld Paul Johnson	Andrew Loh
	Mazmur The	Geoff Holmes	Delia Chan

Bold Italics - Evening Service

YOUTH MINISTRY - SERVICE ROSTER

Sunday Service	8 Jan	15 Jan	22 Jan
Sermon Title		Jesus' Temptations	
Scripture Reference		Luke 4:1-13	
Preacher		Pr Ho Wei Liang	
Scripture Reader		Natania Lim	
Worship Leader		Isaiah Tang	
Musicians	Worship in the Sanctuary	James The	Worship in the Sanctuary
		Joel Chua	
		Darryl Yap	
Ushers Team/		Chloe Tjahjono	
Leaders		Dylan Tang Kuppusamy	
AV Duty Roster		Marie Tan	
		Miguel	
		Carlos G. Templonuevo	

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY-WED COUPLE

We congratulate Kurniawan Tjandra and Isabela Desita on their holy matrimony on Sat, 7 Jan. We pray for the Lord's blessings upon them.

ORDINATION OF PREACHER ANTHON SIMANGUNSONG OF THE INDONESIAN CONGREGATION AS ASSOCIATE MINISTER

We are pleased to announce that Pr Anthon Simangunsong has been ordained as Associate Minister of the Indonesian Congregation at ORPC on 7 Jan 2023. Please keep him in your prayers.

ENGLISH PRESBYTERY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (EP AGM 2023) (14 JAN)

The EP AGM will be held from 1-4 pm at Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church.

SoCM ADULT SUNDAY CLASS—THE GOSPEL: THE DOCTRINE OF FIRST IMPORTANCE (15 JAN)

The class will be conducted by Rev Dr Clive Chin from 10.45 am to 12 pm in the Chapel. All are welcome. Please see the flyer for more details.

LESSONS ON CHRISTIAN LIVING—A DISCIPLESHIP COURSE (FROM 19 JAN 2023)

The classes will be held over 8 Thursdays from 7.45 – 9 pm via Zoom. Please refer to the flyer for information on topics and how to register.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLAINED—A DISCIPLESHIP COURSE (FROM 1 FEB 2023)

The classes will be held over 6 Wednesdays from 8 – 9.15 pm via Zoom. Please see the flyer for more information and registration details.

EP KAIROS: GOD, THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD (FROM 22 MAR)

This is a 9-lesson course organised by the English Presbytery Missions Committee that covers four areas of mission concerns—the biblical, historical, strategic and cultural dimensions of mission. It will be held at Princep Street Presbyterian Church. Register via https://www.epmc.org.sg/kairos/2023 by 15 Mar. Please see the flyer for details.

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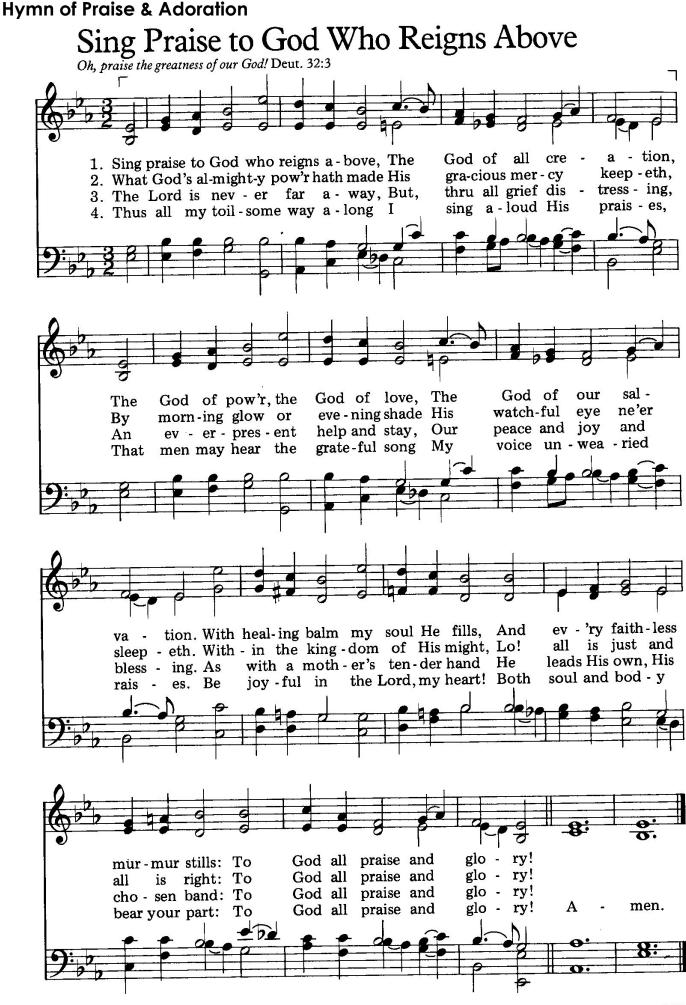
The total amount collected from the Combined Service on 24 Dec 2022 was \$\$5,088.40 and will be utilised for Presbyterian Community Services (PCS).

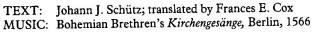
STAYING CONNECTED

As one family and congregation, we would like to keep up to date with what's happening in your life. Do let us know if/when you get married, have children, experience losses, or move house, so that we can pray with you, rejoice with you, grieve with you and offer practical help. Let us know what's happening by emailing <u>orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg</u> or by speaking to one of our staff/leaders. Come alongside us in our daily discipleship journey through joining a small group - email <u>discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg</u> for more information or speak to one of our staff/leaders.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

If you have changed your personal particulars recently, or you have queries regarding church events/ministries, please email Ping at <u>orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg</u> or contact the church office (Mon to Fri).





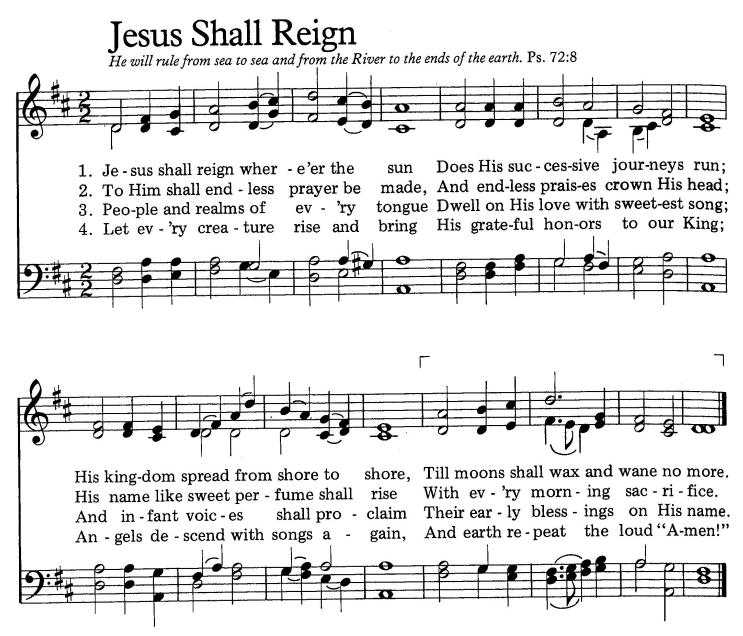
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Hymn of Prayer



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Hymn of Response



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SoCM Adult Sunday Class 15 January 2023 10.45 am – 12 noon Venue: The Chapel Conducted by Rev. Dr. Clive Chin



The Gospel: The Doctrine of First Importance

As evangelical Christians, it is critical for us to understand the core or fundamental belief of Christian faith. The Apostle Paul explains the "gospel" as the doctrine by which the Corinthians were saved as "of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scripture..." (1 Cor 15:3). Thus, the gospel refers to the person and work of Jesus Christ as the fulfilment of OT messianic promises, and constitutes the main storyline of the entire Bible.

Our 2023 SoCM adult Sunday School class has three main learning objectives to support our initiative to build a disciple-making church. We seek to: (1) understand the "gospel" content in its multi-dimensional facets; (2) consider how the gospel can transform our lives, and (3) be trained to share the gospel with non-believers.

The first session is introductory in nature and will cover the "Biblical Gospel" in its concise and broader contexts.



- A Discipleship Course - Conducted online

Lessons on Christian Living

Lessons on Christian Living is a series of eight bible studies on the principles and promises God has given you as His son or daughter, and the corresponding responsibilities and privileges you have in living a life that pleases God.

Perhaps you wish to equip yourself or help someone

We encourage you to take this step today :)

[Course facilitators – Gina Chan, Tan Gek Khim and Elder Gabriel Tan]

Topics

- Putting Christ first
- His Strength
- God's Word
- Love

- Giving
- The Church
 - Good Works
 - Witnessing

Online Course

Details, workbook and the zoom link will be emailed to you after registration.

Details

Dates : Eight Thursdays, **Jan** 19 / **Feb** 2, 9, 16, 23 / **Mar** 2, 9, 16 Time : 7.45pm to 9.00pm.

Registration / Enquiries :

Registration details and enquiries : Gina Chan: <u>ginacmk@gmail.com</u> Tan Gek Khim: <u>tgekkhim@hotmail.com</u> Elder Gabriel Tan: <u>gabrieltancw@hotmail.com</u>

A Mission and Evangelism (M&E) Ministry of ORPC

— A Discipleship Course —

Christianity Explained

CONDUCTED ONLINE VIA ZOOM

WHO IS THIS COURSE FOR ?

This is an opportunity to invite your non-believer friends and family. This course is suitable for anyone interested in knowing the Christian faith and what the gospel is about, especially non-believers and new believers.

WHAT DOES THIS COURSE COVER ?

Using videos and slides, this course examines the fundamentals of the gospel and the Christian faith, with ample time for your questions (*Course facilitators : Roger Lee and Lai Poey Leng*)

DATES / VENUE

Dates : Six Wednesdays, 8.00pm – 9.15pm, Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, Mar 1, 8.
Online : The ZOOM Link will be emailed to participants closer to the date. Course workbook will be sent by post. (Should you miss a class, we will gladly arrange a make-up lesson with you)

REGISTRATION / ENQUIRIES

Please send your name, contact number & question(s) to Poey Leng at christianityexplained.orpc@gmail.com

Thank you !

A Mission & Evangelism (M&E) Ministry of ORPC

Kairos God the Church and the World

Course Description

The Kairos Course is a nine-session, interactive course designed to educate, inspire and challenge Christians to become a world Christian. A world Christian is inspired by God's heart for all the nations of the world and our calling to be a blessing to all people.

The course utilises a variety of adult learning styles including group discussions, short lecture introduction, devotions, video teaching and participation in specially designed activities.

Four areas of mission concerns will be covered in the course - the Biblical, Historical, Strategic and Cultural dimensions of mission. The topics will provide participants with a good understanding of the Biblical worldview of Christian missions.

> EP Kairos is brought to you by the **English Presbytery Missions Committee** https://www.epmc.org.sg





Course Dates

9 Consecutive Sessions (Hybrid **Mode**)

Every Wednesday, **22 Mar to 17 May 2023** @ 7.15 to 9.30 pm; **20 May 2023** @ 9 am to 4 pm (Saturday)

- 22 Mar 2023 (Introduction) (on-site)
 29 Mar, 12, 19, 26 April (via Zoom)
 3, 10, 17 May (on site)
 20 May (Final session) (on-site)

Where

Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church (PSPC) 77 Prinsep Street Singapore 188649

(The 2 nearest MRT stations to PSPC is the Bencoolen and Rochor stations on the Downtown line)

Course Fee S\$80 per person

Registration Closes

15 March 2023 (Wednesday)

For REGISTRATION

https://www.epmc.org.sg/kairos/2023

Use QR Code:

