

30 Apr 2023 - Order of Service Building a Disciple-Making Church

9 am to 10 am, 6 pm to 7 pm

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise & Adoration Great is Thy Faithfulness (AM)

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) (PM)

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 Before the Throne of God Above

Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:19-25

Worship Leader: This is the word of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon How to Draw Near to God and One Another

in Our Worship

*Hymn of Response We are God's People

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

"The Meaning of the Cross" 1 Corinthians 1:23-24

As we follow Jesus in Christian discipleship, it would be helpful to reflect a bit on the meaning of the cross of Jesus Christ. The biblical writers assume the historicity of the crucifixion of Jesus and focus their attention on its significance. Paul, for example, portrays Jesus as: "Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage," and "he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!" (Phil 2:6-8).

Death by crucifixion demonstrates the ultimate humiliation. Yet it affirms that the death of Christ was the will and act of God with eternal significance. Foundationally, the crucifixion of Jesus was the means by which God provided salvation, the forgiveness of sins (1 Cor 15:3). Christ crucified is the summary of the Christian message. The cross of Jesus is the great act of the love of God for the sinfulness of humanity. The condemning legal demands set against humanity have been "cancelled," and nailed to the cross (Col 2:14). The word of the cross is God's word of reconciliation.

The cross is also the symbol of Christian discipleship. To first-century Palestinians, who often witnessed the condemned person carrying the crossbar to the site of their final torture, hearing Jesus' word, "Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Matt 10:38), must have been very shocking. Jesus insisted that the humiliation and suffering that culminated in his crucifixion were to characterize the experience of his followers. "It is enough," he says, "for the student to be like his teacher, and servants like their masters" (Matt 10:25).

Crucifixion becomes a part of the identification between Christ and the believer, who is "crucified with Christ" (Gal 2:20). While many of us will not actually be nailed to a cross, it does mean followers of Jesus must die to self in order to follow Jesus. The challenge of following Jesus involves having "crucified" sinful natures and desires. Paul writes, "Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires" (Gal 5:24).

When understood in its historical, social context, Paul's statement that the proclamation of the Christ crucified is a "stumbling block" to the Jews and "foolishness" to the Gentiles makes logical sense. Yet for Christians it remains an act and demonstration of "the power of God and the wisdom of God" (1 Cor 1:23-24).

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now to Draw Near to God and One Another in Our Worship
Hebrews 10:19-25
Introduction:
1. Through the Confession We Hold Fast (vv. 19-23)
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2. Through the Community We Hold Dear (vv.24-25)
Conclusion:

Bible Readings & Prayer Points

Monday

Read Luke 9:46-48. How are the values of God's kingdom different from those of the world?

Pray for the people of Sudan where political infighting is occurring, that peace may soon be restored.

Tuesday

Read Luke 9:49-50. How does John's response and Jesus' answer show the conventional issues of status the disciples of Jesus are to deny?

Pray for the migrant population in Singapore, that they may come into contact with the gospel through gospel opportunities.

Wednesday

Read Luke 9:51-56. How does James' and John's response show the disciples' continued misunderstanding of Jesus' mission?

Pray for the Congregational Prayer Meeting this evening, that the church will gather for a time of seeking and intercession, and be empowered for God's work.

Thursday

Read Luke 9:57-58. How is the cost of following Jesus illustrated here?

Pray for the churches' ministry to the rough sleepers in Singapore, that they may find both physical and spiritual shelter and refuge in the house of God.

Friday

Read Luke 9:59-60. How do these verses show the priority of discipleship over relationships?

Pray for students who are facing their examinations and weighted assessments. May they lean on God and seek to glorify him in all they do.

Saturday

Read Luke 9:61-62. What radical change in identity and purpose must take place in one's life if one wants to follow Jesus?

Pray with the nominated candidates for the upcoming Election of Elders and Deacons, that God may help the congregation discern their call to serve the church.

MINISTRY THIS WEEK

<u>Date</u>		<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Sun	30	9.00 am	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
		9.00 am	Sunday School	Dunman Building
		4.30 pm	Chancel Evening Choir Rehearsal	Dunman Hall A
		6.00 pm	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
Tues	2	8.30 am	Pastoral Staff Prayer Meeting	Online
		7.30 pm	Membership Class (L4 of 6)	DB6
Wed	3	2.00 pm	Pastoral Staff Meeting	MR1
		7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting	Dunman Hall
Thu	4	7.30 pm	Chancel Morning Choir Rehearsal	Dunman Hall, SHKA, B, SR2
Sat	6	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

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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 Cheque or
- (2) in "Comments" box for Interbank Transfer or
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OUR OFFERING

OFFERING	TARGET <u>01.1.23-31.12.23</u>	TARGET TO 23.04.2023	RECEIVED TO 23.04.2023	YTD SURPLUS/(SHORTFALL)
GENERAL	\$1,800,000.00	\$588,461.54	\$554,152.70	(\$34,308.84)
MISSIONS	\$250,000.00	\$81,730.77	\$77,858.00	(\$3,872.77)
TOTAL	\$2,050,000.00	\$670,192.31	\$632,010.70	(\$38,181.61)

PREACHING THEMES - SERVICE ROSTER

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Sunday Service	30 Apr	7 May Inter-Generational Sunday	14 May Holy Communion Sunday
Sermon Title	How to Draw Near to God and One Another in Our Worship	The Cost of Following Jesus	Rejoice Because You Know Jesus
Scripture Ref	Hebrews 10:19-25	Luke 9:46-62	Luke 10:17-24
Preacher	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Rev Dr Clive Chin
Children's Message		Pr Ho Wei Liang	
Worship Leader	Dcn Samuel Tandijanto	Dcn Debbie Seah	Eld Dr Chung Lai Hong
	Eld Paul Johnson	Eld Neo Kian Hong	Eld Lim Ee Tuo
Pastoral Prayer	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Rev Dr Clive Chin
Music Director	Dr Agnes Tan	Dorothy Oskar	Dr Agnes Tan
Musicians	Eunice Tang	Eunice Tang	Lisa Ong
	Christopher Khoo	Dr Agnes Tan	Dr Noah Lim
	Shawn Ong	Hannah Leong	Aubert Saragi
	Daniel Chiang		
	Aubert Saragi		
Ushers Team/	Team G	Team A	Team B
Leaders	Winnie Wong	Veronica Song	Jimmy Tan
	Team D	Team E	Team F
	Ivy Ang	Eld Winston Choo	Ang Eng Joo
	Sanctuary Entrance	Sanctuary Entrance	Sanctuary Entrance
Greeters	Pr Tan Hui Ru	Ps Lim Chung Wei	Pr Herna Kong
	Eld Philip Ong	Eld Richard Law	Dcn Liow Koh Chuan
	Ps Lim Chung Wei	Pr Tan Hui Ru	Pr Ho Wei Liang
	Eld Lim Ee Tuo	Eld Alvin Ooi	Dcn Alicia Yeo
AV Duty Roster	Jethro Cheung	Andrew Loh	Donald Lim
	Susan Tan	Delia Chan	Jabez Selvarajan
	Maria Halim	Mazmur The	Selvarajan Rengasamy
	Huang Junxiong	Geoff Holmes	Andrew Loh
Rold Halias Evanir	Mazmur The	Eld Paul Johnson	Delia Chan

Bold Italics - Evening Service

YOUTH MINISTRY - SERVICE ROSTER

- Worship in the Sanctuary

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER MEETING (3 MAY)

Our next meeting will be on Wed, 3 May, from 7.30 – 8.30 pm, in Dunman Hall. All are encouraged to attend. Please email Ping at orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg if you have any queries.

SOCM ADULT SUNDAY CLASS—THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JESUS (7 MAY)

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.

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (CF)

This year, the Ministry-To-Men (M2M), Ministry-To-Women (M2W) and the Sunshine Fellowship (SSF) have been merged to form one fellowship called the Congregational Fellowship.

The objectives of the Congregational Fellowship are

- 1. To encourage members to join Discipleship Groups
- 2. To promote discipleship among members
- 3. To provide activities where Christian learning, service and fellowship can be fostered
- 4. To provide care for members

We would encourage all church members to join the CF so that we can grow stronger together in Christ. If you wish to do so or have any queries, please contact Pr Herna (hkong@orpc.org.sg).

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (CF)—LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION

The Congregational Fellowship would like to have its own logo to reflect what it is. With that in mind, it is holding a logo-design competition that is open to all.

The logo selected should reflect the CF's objectives which are:

- 1. To encourage members to join Discipleship Groups
- 2. To promote discipleship among members
- 3. To provide activities where Christian learning, service and fellowship can be fostered
- 4. To provide care for members

For those interested, please submit your entry by Friday, 12 May.

Format: ppt, jpeg, tiff, png Minimum Resolution: 300 dpi. Send your entry to cc@orpc.org.sg

A prize awaits the winner of the competition!

If you have any queries, please contact either Pr Herna (hkong@orpc.org.sg).

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (CF)—TALK ON DEMENTIA (13 MAY)

Coming Soon! Talk on "Dementia"

- The Congregational Fellowship will be organising a talk on the topic of "Dementia" on Saturday, 13 May, from 1 to 3 pm
- Speaker: Dr Goh Kar Cheng
 Consultant Family Physician
 Department of Psychological Medicine
 National University Hospital

Apart from covering various aspects of Dementia, Dr. Goh will also give her Christian perspective relating to Dementia.

Registration through the QR code or at the booth in the Dunman Hall. For more information please refer to the flyer.

HELP FOR THOSE WITH MOBILITY ISSUES

To help some of our church members with disabilities/medical condition, who are not able to access the church for Sunday worship services by foot/wheelchair and are not able to make a car drop-off; we are planning for a limited number of parking spots within the church compound for such individuals on a trial basis. Please register your interest by filling the form on the link https://bit.ly/ORPCparkingpilot

The closing date is Sunday, 14 May 2023. Kindly note that vehicular drop-off remains the recommended way for those with mobility issues.

PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS—P1 PHASE 2B REGISTRATION

ORPC members who wish to register their children in Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Primary School (Bishan) or Pei Hwa Presbyterian Primary School (Bukit Timah) at Phase 2B for admission to Primary One in Jan 2024 may refer to bulletin attachment for details.

STAFF UPDATE

Rev Dr Clive Chin is on leave 30 Apr – 6 May.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

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

CHURCH EVENTS: MAY - AUG 2023			
Tues 2, 9, 16 May	7.30 pm	Membership Class [DB6] - Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer	
Sat 13 May	1.00 pm	Congregational Fellowship – Talk on 'Dementia' [Dunman Hall]	
Sun 28 May	9.00 am	Extraordinary Congregation Meeting (ECM) - Election of Elders and Deacons	
Sun 4 Jun	9.00 am & 6.00 pm	Membership Sunday	
Fri 9 Jun - Sat 10 Jun		Church Camp [PARKROYAL]	
Sat 17 Jun	2.00 pm	Annual Congregational Meeting	
Sun 2 Jul	9.00 am & 6.00 pm	Inter-Generational & Leaders' Installation Service	
Sun 9 Jul	9.00 am & 6.00 pm	 Synod Sunday (Pulpit Exchange) Rev Peter Chan, Bethany Presbyterian Church – Speaker at ORPC. Rev Dr Clive Chin, ORPC – Speaker at Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church. 	
Sat 22 July	2.00 pm	Congregational Fellowship – Talk on 'Dementia' for Caregivers [Dunman Hall]	
Sat 5 Aug		Congregational Fellowship Activity [Outdoor]	

TEXT: Thomas O. Chisholm MUSIC: William M. Runyan

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



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FAITHFULNESS

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Amazing Grace*

(My Chains Are Gone)



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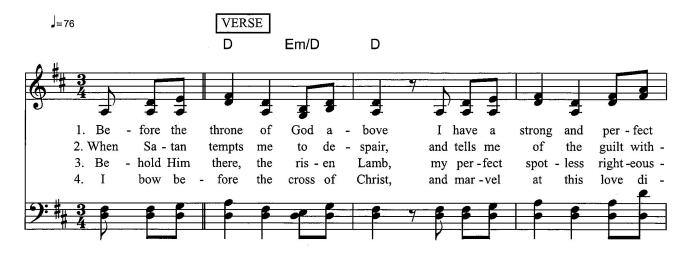


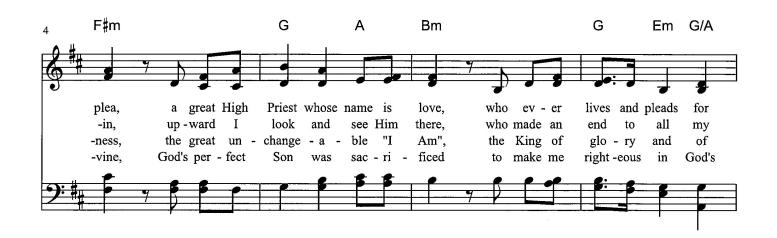
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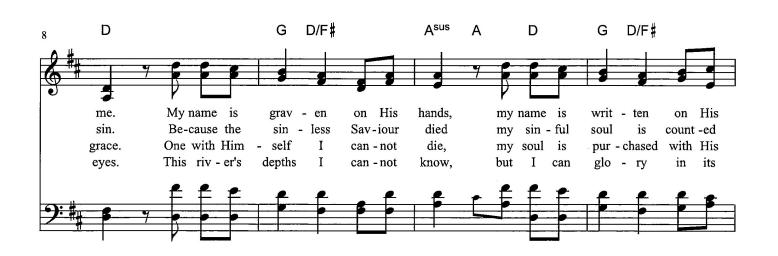
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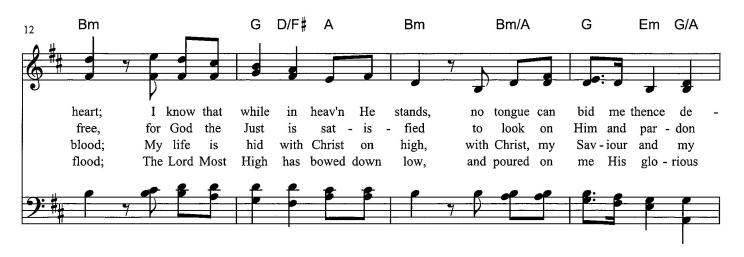
Before The Throne Of God Above

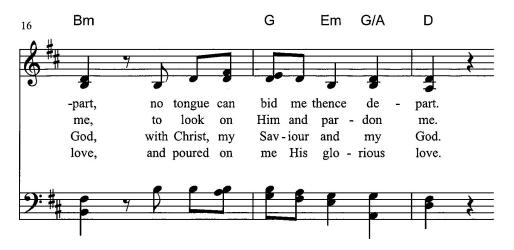
Words by Charitie Lees Bancroft and Vikki Cook Music by Vikki Cook







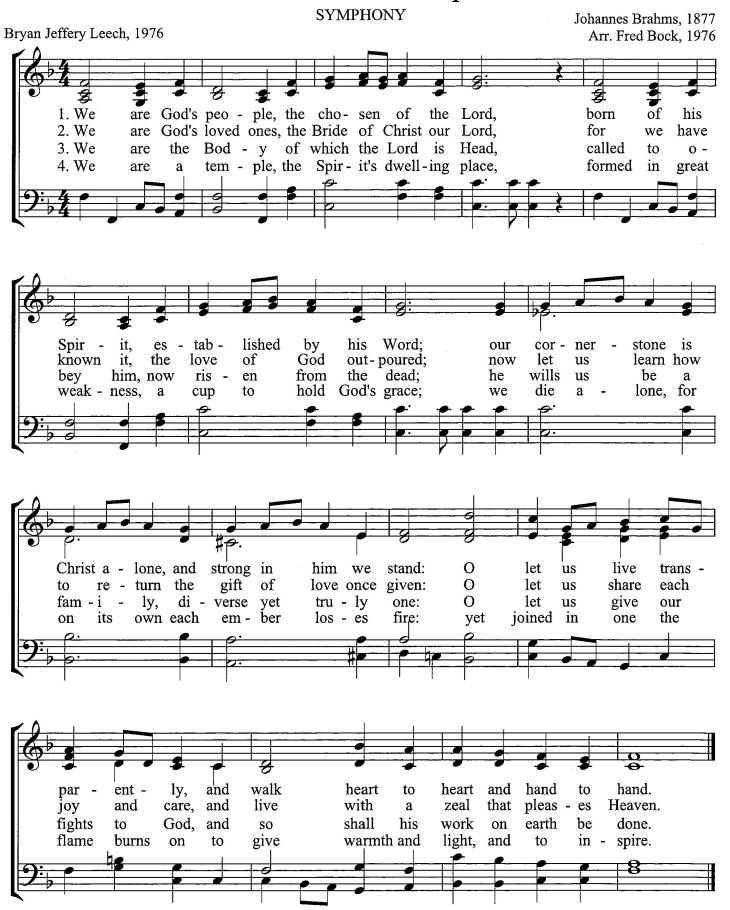




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Hymn of Response

We Are God's People



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The Gospel the doctrine of first importance



what must I do to enter

The Kingdom of God

7 May 2023 | 10.45 am - 12 noon

@ The Chapel

Conducted by Rev. Dr. Clive Chin

The Gospel According to Jesus

With the publication of John MacArthur's book in 1988, *The Gospel According to Jesus*, a very important debate among evangelicals quickly followed, often dividing Christian communities into the so-called "Lordship Salvation" camp and the "Free Grace" camp. The concern is that many people profess to follow Christ, yet don't display the fruit of that confession in their lives. Others leave the faith altogether after some years of church involvement. Were those people ever saved? That question prompts us to examine the substance of the gospel according to Jesus.

Our lesson will explore the following questions -

- 1. What truths must you know and believe to be saved?
- 2. What is the complete gospel message?
- 3. Does saving faith always produce fruit?

The issue at hand is whether, in addition to belief in the gospel, repentance from sin, obedience to God, and submission to Christ's lordship are necessary for sinners to be saved.



PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS—P1 PHASE 2B REGISTRATION

ORPC members who wish to register their children in Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Primary School (Bishan) or Pei Hwa Presbyterian Primary School (Bukit Timah) at Phase 2B for admission to Primary One in January 2024 may request for the Letter of Eligibility ("Form B") from the church office by emailing orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg stating full names (both parents of child) and at least one suitable contact number.

The eligibility for *priority* in P1 registration under Phase 2B is guided by the following conditions:

- 1. Child is either a Singapore Citizen or a Singapore Permanent Resident.
- 2. At least one parent being an active communicant member of ORPC. An 'active communicant member' refers to a baptised church member who has volunteered at least one year of service to ORPC i.e. has been serving, begun before 1 July 2022.
- 3. If the number of applicants exceed the number of vacancies in the school, places will be balloted according to the following order of priority:
 - a) Singapore Citizens will be given priority over Singapore Permanent Residents, before home-school distance is considered.
 - b) Children living within 1km of the school.
 - c) Children living between 1km and 2km of the school.
 - d) Children living outside 2km of the school.

(Applicants may check the home-school distance via this link: https://www.onemap.gov.sg/main/v2/schoolquerymenu)

- Parents are to submit hardcopies of the following to the church office, latest, by Sunday, 7 May:
 - 1. 'Letter of Eligibility' ("Form B") with Section A completed;
 - Photocopy of Child's birth certificate/Citizenship certificate/PR document;
 - 3. Photocopy of both parents' NRIC.
- Refer to MOE's website for important information https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/registration-phases-key-dates?pt=2B
- Parents will still need to complete an online registration (MOE's) under Phase 2B national registration exercise in July 2023. Do watch out for MOE's registration dates and documents required e.g. child's immunisation records, etc. https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register?pt=2B

DEMENTIA
FACTS & FALLACIES

13 May 2023, Saturday, @ Dunman Hall

1pm - 1.30pm Worship and Devotion

1.30pm - 3pm
Talk and Q+A by Dr Goh Kar Cheng

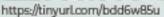
3pm - 3.30pmLight refreshments and fellowship



Register here! \$5/person

Electronic Payment to ORPC indicating 'CF2' in reference OR

In-person Registration+Payment @ Dunman Hall from 23 April





What will be talked about?

Dr Goh will provide a Christian perspective on dementia and will also cover risk factors for dementia, common symptoms, strategies to reduce risk, and how to communicate with patients with dementia.

About Dr Goh Kar Cheng

Dr Goh is a Consultant Family Physician from the Department of Psychological Medicine, National University Hospital, and Healthy Ageing, Alexandra Hospital.

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH

The Orchard Road Presbyterian Church was founded in 1856 to minister to the needs of the Scots community in Singapore. The first church building on the present site was completed in 1878, and has been extended several times, notably in 1975 when the sanctuary was extended and in 1985 when the new extension of the Dunman Hall was completed and a new chapel was built. Alongside the growth of the physical facilities has been the development of the church from an English-speaking expatriate congregation to a local church embracing four different language congregations and a new branch church at Bukit Batok (1995). In addition to the English-speaking congregation, the Indonesian congregation (1976) and the German congregation (1978) now regularly worship and minister as part of Orchard Road Presbyterian Church. In 2005, the Mandarin congregation (1968) became independent as Providence Presbyterian Church but continues to use the buildings for worship and ministry. In 2013, the branch church at Bukit Batok also became independent and is now Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church.

FAITH AND MEMBERSHIP

As a church with our roots in historic Presbyterianism growing out of the Westminster Confession of Faith, we affirm the Lordship of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We look to the Scriptures as the inspired word of God and the one authoritative and infallible standard for our faith and practice. We welcome those who profess Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour into our formal membership. Our membership is truly international, representing the breadth of God's call upon people from all ethnic and economic backgrounds.

Members are received upon initial profession of faith in Jesus Christ by baptism, confirmation and in transfer from other Christian churches. Classes for baptism, confirmation and for transfer of membership are held periodically and announced in the bulletin.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. AMEN

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