

Peace

The second Sunday of Advent

FOR TO US A CHILD IS
BORN, TO US A SON
IS GIVEN, AND THE
GOVERNMENT WILL BE
ON HIS SHOULDERS.
AND HE WILL BE
CALLED WONDERFUL
COUNSELOR, MIGHTY
GOD, EVERLASTING
FATHER, PRINCE
OF PEACE.
ISAIAH 9:6

**Orchard Road
Presbyterian Church**

**7 December 2025
9am**



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AM

Building a Disciple-Making Church

9–10.30 am

[online]

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship

Hymn of Praise & Adoration
Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

WE SEEK GOD

Prayer of Confession & Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

The 2nd Sunday of Advent
Peace

Hymn of Prayer
Comfort, Comfort Now My People

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem
Advent Peace

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading
Isaiah 9:6-7

Sermon
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WE SERVE GOD IN HIS WORLD

Welcome & Announcements

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Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

Benediction

Postlude



ORPC
ORCHARD ROAD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2nd Sunday of Advent – Peace

From <https://www.reformedworship.org/resource/lighting-advent>

Worship Leader

Congregation **Two candles, burning bright,
chasing away the darkness from light.
Two candles, glowing light,
The blessing of God, giving new sight.**

Worship Leader A Reading from Isaiah 11

¹A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
²The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of might,
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—
³and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.

He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes,
or decide by what he hears with his ears;
⁴but with righteousness he will judge the needy,
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.

He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth;
with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.
Righteousness will be his belt
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

⁶The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lie down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them.

⁷The cow will feed with the bear,
their young will lie down together,
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

⁸The infant will play near the cobra's den,
and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest.
They will neither harm nor destroy
on all my holy mountain,
for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the
nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.

Congregation Come, Holy God, come and save us.
Come, Holy Christ, come and touch us.
Come, Holy Spirit, come and revive us.
Come and turn us around, and point us to your kingdom.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:6-7

⁶ For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace
there will be no end.

He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.

The zeal of the LORD Almighty
will accomplish this.

The Peace We All Need

Isaiah 9:6-7

Introduction: The reality of living in a broken world

The Prophet Isaiah tells us that our rescue comes not from pretending or performing, but from a Person.

1. The Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6)

2. The Kingdom of Peace (Isaiah 9:7)

Conclusion:

Those who trust and follow Christ the Peacemaker, become peacemakers themselves and are blessed in Him (Matthew 5:9).

Questions for reflection:

- 1) This year, what idols have I relied on instead of trusting and following Jesus, the Prince of Peace?
- 2) As I grow closer to Jesus, in what specific ways can I speak the gospel of peace (cf. Ephesians 6:15), and pursue peace in my relationships (cf. Hebrews 12:14)?

Hymn of Praise & Adoration

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Words by Charles Wesley. Music by John Stainer.

Verse 1

Come Thou long-expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

Verse 2

Born Thy people to deliver
Born a Child and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring

By Thine own eternal spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

Hymn of Prayer

Comfort, Comfort Now My People

Words by Johann Olearius, translated by Catherine Winkworth.
Genevan Psalter.

Verse 1

Comfort, comfort now my people
Tell of peace so says our God
Comfort those who sit in darkness
Mourning under sorrow's load
To God's people now proclaim
That God's pardon waits for them
Tell them that their war is over
God will reign in peace forever

Verse 2

For the herald's voice is crying
In the desert far and near
Calling us to true repentance
Since the Kingdom now is here
Oh that warning cry obey
Now prepare for God a way
Let the valleys rise to meet Him
And the hills bow down to greet Him

Verse 3

Straight shall be what long was crooked
And the rougher places plain
Let your hearts be true and humble
As befits His holy reign
For the glory of the Lord
Now on earth is shed abroad
And all flesh shall see the token
That God's Word is never broken

LYRICS

Anthem

Advent Peace

Based on Isaiah 26:3, Lamentations 3:22-26. Words and Music by Lloyd Larson. Incorporating VENI EMMANUEL.

Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord
Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord
Peace will come, our King will come
Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord

Peace will come to those
Who trust in the Lord
Peace will come to those
Who trust in the Lord
Peace will come, our King will come
Peace will come to those who trust in the Lord

The Lord is good to those who wait
For His mercies never cease
Put your trust in Him, the promised King
He is coming, the Prince of peace
Our Prince of peace

Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord
Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord
Peace will come, our King will come
Peace will come to those
Who trust in the Lord

O come Desire of nations
Bind all peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace

Peace will come, our King will come
Peace will come to those who wait in the Lord

Our King will come to those who wait
Peace will come to those
Who wait on the Lord

Hymn of Response

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words & Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Michael Bleecker.

Verse 1
Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing In our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Verse 2
Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living In His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand

Verse 3
Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Verse 4
Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

PREACHING THEMES ■ SERVICE ROSTER

Sunday Service	7 Dec [Online] Second Sunday of Advent	14 Dec Third Sunday of Advent Inter-Generational, Holy Communion & Membership Sunday
Sermon Title	The Peace We All Need	Joy Unflinching
Scripture Reference	Isaiah 9:6-7	Philippians 4:4-7
Preacher	Pr Kenneth Teo	Rev Dr Edward Goh
Worship Leader	Eld Liow Koh Chuan	Eld Gabriel Tan
	-	<i>Dcn Samuel Tandijanto</i>
Scripture Reader	Eld Liow Koh Chuan	Liza Magkawas
	-	<i>Evelyn Koh</i>
Music Director	Dr Agnes Tan	Dr Agnes Tan
Musicians	Eunice Tang	Dorothy Oskar Lie
	-	Michelle Shalomita
	-	<i>Aubert Saragi</i>
Ushers Team/	-	Team G
Leaders	-	Tan Gek Khim
	-	<i>Team E</i>
	-	<i>Ang Eng Joo</i>
Greeters	-	Pr Kenneth Teo (Duty Pastor)
	-	Dcn Gan Keng Swee
	-	<i>Pr Ruth Tong (Duty Pastor)</i>
	-	<i>Eld Liow Koh Chuan</i>
AV Duty Roster	Dcn Mazmur The	Elson Chan
	Elson Chan	Juniarto Hadiatmadja
	Susan Tan	Dcn Patrick Chow
	-	<i>Geoff Holmes</i>
	-	<i>Huang Junxiong</i>
	-	<i>Dcn Mazmur The</i>

Bold Italics - Evening Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PARENTS ON THE ARRIVAL OF A NEWBORN

We congratulate Benedict Lee and Angelina on the arrival of their baby boy, Dominic Lee, on 20 Nov 2025. We thank God for Dominic and we rejoice with the family.

WORSHIP ONLINE (TODAY)

We are having our first online Sunday service today, 7 Dec. There is no in-person AM and PM worship services. Instead, please worship with us online at <https://orpc.sg/connect/worshipwithus/>. The service is available online from 9.00am. We encourage Discipleship Groups (DGs) to gather to worship together.

Holy Communion on 7 Dec is postponed to 14 Dec.

ORPC COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP (TODAY)

Mdm Leong Heng Oi applied for communicant membership. Mdm Leong will be baptised by Rev Dr Clive Chin in her home today, 7 Dec.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ON RECESS (7 - 21 DEC)

We welcome all children to worship with us in December at the main worship hall (14 and 21 Dec). Children's ministry will be on recess for 3 Sundays and will resume on 28 December with family worship in Halls 300 - 302. More information on this will be sent directly to parents.

ENGLISH PRESBYTERY (EP) ADVENT DEVOTIONS (FROM 11 DEC)

Devotionals by various EP contributors will be available daily from 11 Dec on the EP Express website www.presbyterianexpress.org

CHRISTMAS POSTCARDS FOR A&A PROJECT (14 DEC)

Spread the joy of this Christmas season with postcards beautifully designed by SOYA DG. Each pack of 6 cards includes 3 unique designs lovingly drawn by their very own DG members. One pack costs \$10 and all proceeds go directly to ORPC's A&A project. You can drop by the sales booth at the table outside Suntec worship hall after AM service or before PM service on Dec 14 to purchase them.

SIGN UP FOR 10 STUDIES IN THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH FROM JANUARY TO MAY FOR NON-DG MEMBERS/WORSHIPPERS

This study will show us how to strengthen our faith and spiritual communities. Participants will practise reading the Book of Nehemiah in its Old Testament historical and literary contexts. The discussions will be based on observing, interpreting, and applying its texts in the light of the Gospel. Please consider beginning the new year by joining our Discipleship Groups (DGs) to journey with us. Visit and register at the booth outside our Suntec worship hall after the AM or PM service on **14 and 21 December**.

PRAY FOR CHRISTMAS EVANGELISTIC SERVICE (25 DEC)

The Christmas Day Service at 10am will be an evangelistic service. Please invite family members and friends, and pray for them, that they may come to know the true meaning of Christmas.

TENDER AWARD AND SITE HANDOVER

On 20 November 2025 (Thursday), ORPC formally awarded the main contractor tender to Lum Chang Interiors Pte Ltd, and officially handed over 3 Orchard Road work-site on 21 November 2025 (Friday). Please continue to keep the A&A Project in prayer.

SUNTEC WORSHIP RECRUITMENT

We thank God for those who have responded to serve in the below ministry. We are still looking for more people to serve, especially in the evening service for AV and ushering duty.

1. Ushering ministry – 10 for evening service

- a. Will be assigned to an usher team on monthly duty
- b. To greet and welcome people for ORPC worship and engage them on any queries
- c. Usher duties will evolve and be finetuned for worship at Suntec

2. AV ministry – 3 for morning service and 4 for evening service

- a. Mainly focus on AV equipment set-up and tear down as a start. Monthly duty as part of the larger team with ORPC, GPO and PPC
- b. Will undergo a 3-month adaptation phase (observing and training) for AV duty

Please contact worship@orpc.org.sg for more details.

A&A PROJECT & PLEDGE FORM

You may view the series of updates on the A&A project via this link <https://orpc.sg/aanda/>
The pledge form is available as an insert to this bulletin.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS

For details and requirements, please refer to the information on our church website <https://orpc.sg/resources/forms/marriages-in-orpc/> Register for the marriage preparation class via <http://chms.orpc.org.sg/equipping/registration/165/public>

Do also refer to website of the Registry of Marriages, Singapore, for requirements.

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-Fri).

STAFF UPDATE

Rev Dr Clive Chin will be on leave 9-23 Dec.

Pr Tan Hui Ru will be on leave 2 & 7-15 Dec.

Pr Lim Chung Wei will be on leave 7-14 Dec.

Pr Herna Kong will be on leave 12-24 Dec.

REGULAR MINISTRY

Children's Ministry	Sundays 9.00-10.30AM 0-6YO @ Hall 302, Suntec 7-9YO @ Hall 301, Suntec 10-13YO @ Hall 300, Suntec Contact Ps Ruth (children@orpc.org.sg) for details
Youth Ministry	Sundays 11.00AM-12.30PM Contact Pr Kenneth Teo (youth@orpc.org.sg) for venues
Young Adults Ministry	Odd week Sundays 11.00-12.30PM Contact Pr Herna (yam@orpc.org.sg) for venues
Discipleship Groups	Meetings twice a month. Contact Rev Edward (dgm@orpc.org.sg) for details
Children's Choir/Youth Choir	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Saturdays 4.30-6.00PM @Level 2 Studio, YWCA Outram Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Chancel Choir	Thursdays 7.30-9.30PM @Level 2 Studio, YWCA Outram Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Orchestra	Contact Dr Agnes (worship@orpc.org.sg) for details
Congregational Prayer Meeting	First Wednesday monthly, 7.30-8.30PM [online]
Handiwork Local Outreach	Every Monday @PCS Cedar Tree AAC Strathmore Every Tuesday @PCS Cedar Tree AAC Tampines West 1.30-3.30PM Contact missions@orpc.org.sg for details

CHURCH-WIDE EVENTS: DECEMBER 2025 – MARCH 2026

Sun 7 Dec	9 am	2 nd Sunday of Advent [Online]
Sun 14 Dec	9 am & 5.30 pm	3 rd Sunday of Advent [Suntec Halls 308-311] Membership Sunday
Sun 21 Dec	9 am & 5.30 pm	Lessons & Carols [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Thu 25 Dec	10 am	Christmas Day Service [Suntec Halls 308-311]
Sun 4 Jan	9 am	Leadership Dedication & Leaders' Installation
Wed 7 Jan	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Online & Studio in YWCA Outram]
Wed 4 Feb	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Online & Studio in YWCA Outram]
Wed 4 Mar	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Online & Studio in YWCA Outram]

TITHES & OFFERINGS

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

FOR CONTRIBUTIONS:

Please indicate the type of Giving, i.e. **"ENGLISH - GENERAL"** or **"ENGLISH - MISSION"** at the back of Cheque or in "Comments"/ "Reference" box for PayNow/Interbank Transfer

- (1) **PAYNOW/PAYLAH** [QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to Pay)]
 UEN No.: S90CC0750JGRO
 Payee Name: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church – Giro Offering
- (2) **CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER**
 Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church
 Mailing Address: 3 Orchard Road Singapore 238825
- (3) **INTERBANK TRANSFER**
 Beneficiary: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church – Giro Offering
 Bank: UOB Bank Account No: 450-312-122-5



OUR OFFERING

OFFERING	TARGET 01.01.25 - 31.12.25	TARGET TO 30.11.2025	RECEIVED TO 30.11.2025	YTD SURPLUS/ (SHORTFALL)
GENERAL	\$1,800,000.00	\$1,661,538.46	\$1,388,473.69	(\$273,064.77)
MISSIONS	\$250,000.00	\$230,769.23	\$206,696.82	(\$24,072.41)
TOTAL	\$2,050,000.00	\$1,892,307.69	\$1,595,170.51	(\$297,137.18)

A&A FUNDRAISING

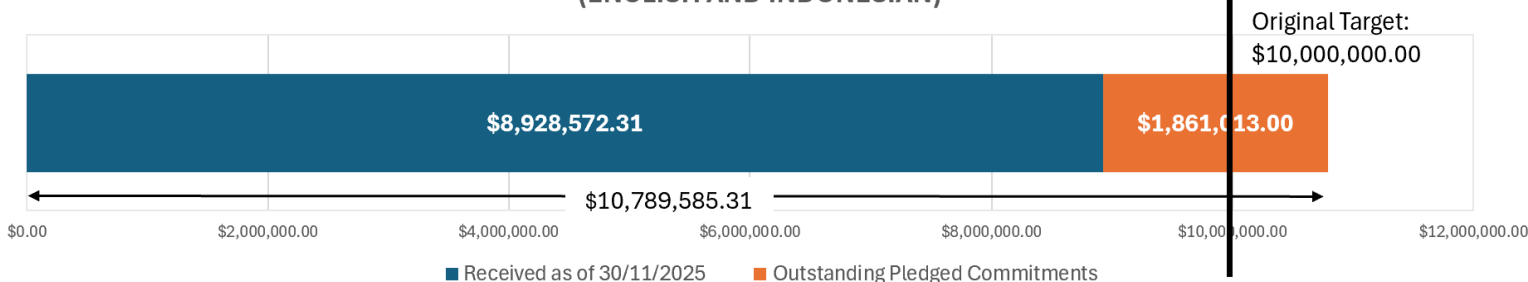
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The Pledge Form may be accessed here <https://bit.ly/ORPCpledge>
 Completed Pledge Forms should be sent to aafundraising@orpc.org.sg

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 Bank: UOB Bank Account No.: 773-347-101-1



A&A FUNDRAISING (ENGLISH AND INDONESIAN)



HISTORY

The Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC) 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. In 1975, the sanctuary was extended, and in 1985, the new extension of 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. In 1995 we planted a branch church (Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church) which became independent in 2013. Similarly, our Mandarin congregation (Providence Presbyterian Church) became independent in 2005. ORPC consists of the English Congregation and the Indonesian Congregation, and worshipping with us now in the same building is Providence Presbyterian Church. From Oct 2025 to Nov 2027 (projected), ORPC is worshipping at Suntec City Convention Centre while renovation works are ongoing.

FAITH AND MEMBERSHIP

As a church with 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, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the grave. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 by 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.