

# REJOICE!

why do you look for the living among the dead?

He is not here; he has risen!

LUKE 24:5-6 (NIV)





# GALILEE

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## Church Theme Verse 2023:

Luke 14:23

"And the Lord said unto the servant, **Go out** into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, **that my house may be filled.**"

Pastor	:	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan	9858 4865
Associate Pastor	:	Rev Freddy Yong (MWS)	8309 8157
Advisory Pastor	:	Rev Philip Heng	9792 9183
Ministry Staff	:	Pr David Cher	9737 9150
	:	Dness Lee May San	9618 9160

## EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Lord's Day, 9 April 2023, 9.30 am**

#### PRELUDE

Pianist: Miss Adeline Lee / Organist: Miss Diana Chan

**INTROIT** #216 "The Lord Is In His Holy Temple"

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Richard Ng

#### PRAISE & WORSHIP

Mr Joshua Ng

**HYMNS** #357 "Christ Arose"

#315 "Were You There?"

#337 "Nothing But The Blood"

- "My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness"

#### INVOCATION

**GLORIA PATRI** #812 "Glory Be To The Father"

**SCRIPTURE READING** [Responsively] Matthew 28:1-10

Mr Ian Ling

#### HOLY BAPTISM

**HYMN** "O Happy Day!"

**SPECIAL ITEM** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Galilee Choir

#### OFFERINGS & TITHES

**DOXOLOGY** #815 (Creche/Nursery/Kindergarten/Primary children leave for Sunday School)

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

**MESSAGE:** "The Trinity of Truths"  
1 Corinthians 15:3-4

Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

**CLOSING HYMN** "One Day"

#### BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### POSTLUDE

### GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Preacher: Rev Dr Yap Beng Shin

Message: "Resurrection & Heaven"

Philippians 3:1-21



**Wednesday** 7.30 pm **Bible Study/8.30pm Prayer Meeting**  
**12 April** Pastor Simon Nagarajan  
 The First Epistle Of Peter  
 Zoom ID: 605 758 5352; Password BS/PM  
Rev Philip Heng  
 The Gospel of Mark  
<https://meet.google.com/hjx-pkcp-dye?hs=151>  
Dness Lee May San (Ladies' BS)  
 The Book Of Galatians  
 Zoom ID: 815 6829 8000; Password WEDLADBSPM

**Saturday**  
**15 April** 1.30 pm **CF/JF – Paul In Prison**  
 I/C: Sis Diana Chan  
 3.45 pm **TF/YF – Worship and Prayer Day**

**Lord's Day** 9.00 am **Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting** (on-site only)  
**16 April**

9.15 am **MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 [On site & available on Galilee Website same day evening]  
 Preacher: Rev Freddy Yong  
 Message: "Faith Of Isaac"  
 Genesis 21:1-14

9.30 am **ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 [On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website]  
 Chairman: Dn Tai Fatt Weng  
 Worship Team Leader: Bro Daryl Tan  
 Scripture Reader: Bro Marcus Ho (Psalm 132:1-18)  
 Preacher: Preacher David Cher  
 Message: "Creation Glorifies God"  
 Psalm 96; 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

**All Sunday School Classes on-site**  
 10.00 am Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2/Primary 1-6  
 11.00 am Secondary/Senior Class  
 11.00 am Young Adults [Dn Joseph Tai]  
 11.00 am Senior Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee]  
 11.00 am Adults [Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan]  
 12.15 pm Senior Catechism (Church Library)  
 I/C: Pastor Simon Nagarajan  
 12.15 pm Junior Catechism (Level 3 Room 3)  
 I/C: Preacher David Cher  
 1.30 pm Session Meeting (Church Library)

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## Attendance

<b>Worship Service</b> <b>2 April 2023</b> <b>(Online)</b>	<b>270</b>
<b>(In-Person)</b>	54
• Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting	7
• Sunday School	54
<b>Mandarin Worship Service</b> <b>2 April 2023</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Wed Bible Study</b> <b>5 Apr 2023</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Wed Prayer Meeting</b> <b>5 Apr 2023</b>	<b>27</b>



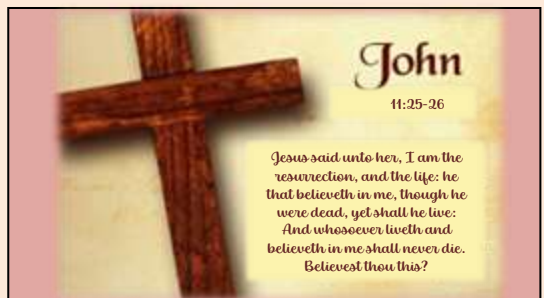
## Church Announcements

### 1. **Baptismal candidates**

- Infant Baptism – Master Samuel Zayn Choppara, son of Dn and Mrs Sandeep Choppara
- Adult Baptism – Sis Lee Yee Lyn
- Confirmation – Sis Mok Rui En, Jo Claire

### 2. **Flower contribution today:**

Sis Joanne Choy.



# TRIUMPHANT IN CHRIST

Preacher David Cher, Lord's Day, 9 April 2023

**B**eloved Brethren,  
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. During this Easter season, it is an opportune time for us to reflect on what Jesus went through for our sakes: the humiliation during His false trial, the pain of His crucifixion and death on the Cross for our sins, being buried for 3 days in the tomb, but finally resurrecting from the dead! What should our response be?

What Jesus did for us ensures that we always have the full and complete victory in Him (2 Cor. 2:14a "Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ..."). We are not to live our Christian life in a defeated manner, allowing the numerous challenges in our lives to overwhelm us. Instead, we are to overcome them with Christ in us as "we are more than conquerors through Him (Romans 8:38-39). However, this means that we need to be "in Christ" to have a part in this full and complete victory.

What does it mean to be "in Christ"? To be "in Christ" means to have a close, intimate and living relationship with Him. In doing so, John 15:4-5 shows us that if we do not abide in Christ, we cannot accomplish anything for Him. We also need to take full control of our thoughts such that they do not bring us to a point where we exalt ourselves against the knowledge of God (2 Cor. 10:5). This can only be done when we rely, not on ourselves, but on the spiritual weapons that God has provided for us, through His Word and prayer (2 Cor. 10:4; Heb. 4:12; Col. 4:2-4).

What then are the fruits or signs of a triumphant life in Christ? First, our lives need to be fully surrendered to Him and seeing it as an act of worship to God. Fully surrendering to Christ means that we are prepared to commit ourselves to follow His leading even through the most puzzling, difficult and trying times in our lives (Gal. 2:20). We must thus realise that God's perspective, thoughts, and

ways are always higher and better than our mere human ones (Isaiah 55:8-9 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts").

We who experience triumph and victory in Christ should also not keep it to ourselves, but should share it in a bold and generous manner such that the savour of His knowledge are made manifest or clear in every place (2 Cor. 2:14b). We should be motivated to do this in gratitude for the great price that Christ paid on the Cross for our sins. This can be done in 2 main ways: 1. In our daily living, we are able to bear through our sufferings in such a way that others can see Christ and His strength in us; 2. As we speak forth or share Christ to others around us, it is unto God a sweet savour (2 Cor. 2:15). No matter what the response of persons regarding our sharing with them, whether it be accepted as "a savour of life unto life" or rejected as "a savour of death unto death" (2 Cor. 2:16a), we still need to remain faithful in doing so (Mark 16:15-16).

May we during this season of Easter reflect and mediate on the words of the chorus of the hymn "*Victory in Jesus*" and have the confidence that we are all triumphant in Christ!

*Oh, victory in Jesus,  
my Savior forever.  
He sought me and bought me  
with His redeeming blood.  
He loved me 'ere I knew Him,  
and all my love is due Him.  
He plunged me to victory  
beneath the cleansing flood!*

Have a Blessed Easter!