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#### Church Theme Verse 2024:

"Let us therefore follow after things...wherewith one may edify another." Romans 14:19b

> "he that winneth souls is wise" Proverbs 11:30b

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

## ORDER OF WORSHIP Lord's Day, 24 November 2024, 9.30 am

**PRELUDE** Pianist: Mrs Magdalene Teo

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Dn Samuel Xie

**PRAISE & WORSHIP** Mr Josiah Wang

HYMNS #295 "Tell Me The Story Of Jesus"

#572 "Blessed Assurance"

"Your Grace Is Sufficient For Me"

#343 "Amazing Grace"

INVOCATION

GLORIA PATRI #812 "Glory Be To The Father"

**SCRIPTURE READING** [Responsively] Psalm 46:1-11 Mr Marcus Ho

OFFERINGS & TITHES

DOXOLOGY #815

(Creche/Nursery/Kindergarten/Primary children leave for Sunday School)

PASTORAL PRAYER

"The Gift Of Living Water" MESSAGE: Rev David Cher

John 4:1-42

CLOSING HYMN "Fill My Cup, Lord"

**BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**POSTLUDE** 

### WELCOME

In-Person Worship Service & Broadcast Live on Galilee Website

## **GALILEE MANDARIN** WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Preacher: Elder Har Chee Choey Message: "Peter's Restoration" John 21:15-23



Wednesday 27 November 7.30 pm Bible Study/8.30pm Prayer Meeting

Rev David Cher

The Book of 1 Samuel

Zoom ID: 605 758 5352; Password BS/PM

Rev Philip Heng

The Second Coming Of Christ

https://meet.google.com/hjx-pkcp-dye?hs=151 Sis Lee May San (Ladies' Prayer Meeting/BS)

The Book of 2 Thessalonians

Zoom ID: 815 6829 8000; Password WEDLADBSPM

Saturday 30 November 1.30 pm **CF/JF** – Outing To Bouncy Paradise

> Speaker: Pastor Simon I/C: Diana Chan

Lord's Day 1 December 9.00 am Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting (on-site only)

9.15 am MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE

[On site & available on Galilee Website same day evening]

Preacher: Rev Freddy Yong

Message: "Simeon Waiting For The Lord"

Text: Luke 2:25-35

9.30 am **ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE** 

[On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website]

Chairman: Elder Richard No.

Worship Team Leader: Bro Matthew Tan

Scripture Reader: Bro Matthew Wee (Psalm 47:1-9)

Preacher: Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan Message: "God Loves All People"

Text: 1 Corinthians 13

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 Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee]

11.00 am Young Adults [Rev David Cher]

12 noon TF/YF meeting @ Music Room



# MONTHLY CALENDAR December 2024

Worship Service Date/Time	Speaker/Chairman	Message
Lord's Day, 01 Dec, 9.30 am Holy Communion	Speaker: Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan Chairman: Elder Richard Ng	"God Loves All People" 1 Corinthians 13
Lord's Day, 08 Dec, 9.30 am	Speaker: Rev Dr Dev Menon (Zion Bishan BPC) Chairman: Elder Tan Siong Teck	"Making Space In Your Heart" 2 Corinthians 6:11-7:3
Lord's Day, 15 Dec, 9.30 am	Speaker: Rev David Cher Chairman: Dn Samuel Lim	"The Power And Authority Of Christ" Luke 4:31-44



Youth Worship Service "Beware Of Dangerous Talk"

Speaker: Mr John Wong (Mt Carmel BPC)

Text: 4:22-25, 29

Sunday 15 December 2024 9.30am

# Worship Service Date/Time

Speaker/Chairman

Message



# Share The Message Of Christmas! 21 December 2024, 4 pm

Animation film: "The Star", Gospel Message, Carols and dinner

Carolling 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm

Lord's Day, 22 Dec, 9.30 am Christmas Sunday Service



Speaker: Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

> Chairman: Elder Kenneth Wong

"Worship The King" Matthew 2:1-12

24 Dec, 9.30 am Christmas Eve Combined Praise Service Speaker: Rev David Cher

Chairmen: Elder Soo Lap Ki Elder Har Chee Choey "What Child Is This?" Luke 2:21-40

Lord's Day, 29 Dec, 9.30 am Speaker: Rev Dr Yap Beng Shin

> Chairman: Dn Michael Ho

"Living By Faith In God" Hebrews 11

31 Dec, 9.30 am

Watchnight

Service

Speaker: Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

Chairman: Elder Tan Siong Teck "Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart" Psalm 9:1-2







Attendance		
Worship Service 17 November 2024 (Online) (In-Person) • Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting • Sunday School	209 79 130 4 41	
Mandarin Worship Service 17 November 2024	30	
Youth Worship Service 17 November 2024 (Online) (In-Person)	44 19 25	
Wed Bible Study 20 November 2024	33	
Wed Prayer Meeting 20 November 2024	31	

## **Church Announcements**

 Teens Fellowship/Youth Fellowship will be holding a monthly fellowship meeting on Sundays starting next month on 1 December, to cater to our youths who are not able to regularly attend our Saturday meetings due to school commitments or staying a far distance from the church.

The meeting will include lunch fellowship at 12 pm and bonding activities thereafter.

- Congratulations to Bro Ruomu on the birth of his son, Timothy Hou Yi Cun on 16 November 2024. Thank God for blessing Bro Ruomu and his wife, Liuyi with a healthy boy!
- 3. Pastoral Staff on leave
  - Pastor Simon on leave from 25 to 29 November 2024.
  - Rev David Cher on leave from 28 November to 7 December 2024.

# **Captivated By The Beauty Of The Lord**

Rev David Cher, Lord's Day, 24 Nov 2024

eloved Brethren,
Greetings in the Precious Name of our
Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Even we
as followers of Christ are living in an ugly
sin-scarred world which could direct us toward
self-centered thoughts, motivations, actions, and
decisions. In other instances, we could also
experience the effects of the sefish actions of
other persons.

Even and especially when we are pressed down and frustrated by such effects and consequences of living in such a sin-scarred world, how can we still shine brightly and persistently for the LORD?

We would do well in reminding ourselves not to merely focus on the ugly and sin-scarred things and happenings in today's world, but on these two main aspects as mentioned in Ps. 27:4 – 1) Beholding or looking intensely on the beauty of the LORD; and 2) Enquiring in His Temple.

In beholding the beauty of the LORD, it does not refer to appreciating His physical appearance and beauty like an art painting or sculpture. Instead, it means to focus and sustain our attention on the qualities of God such as the grace of God (Eph. 2:8-9; 2 Cor. 12:9), the love of God (Eph. 2:4b-7), and the faithfulness of God (1 Cor. 12:13) so as to gain our confidence and assurance from them.

To enquire in the Temple means that our minds are always active and inquisitive, and desiring to dig deeper and deeper into God's Word. Our hearts would then not be contented with just mere thinking abut God and His qualities or characteristics. We would thus do well to draw all the more nearer to Him (James 4:8a) and develop a more excellent and maturing knowledge and understanding of His ways (Isaiah 55:8-9).

The rest of Psalm 27:4 tells us how to put into

practice these two main aspects of focusing and reflecting on God's qualities and digging deep into God's Word in our lives.

First, the phrase "One thing have I desired of the Lord..." (Ps. 27:4a) reminds us to put walking with the LORD as our top priority. As such, we would follow the wisdom of His Word, and not conform to the principles and values of this sinful world (Eph. 4:17-19). Placing our confidence in God and His Word would then protect us from the discouragement that comes through our various negative life experiences.

Secondly, we should have the desire and determination in our hearts to "seek after" the LORD (Ps. 27:4b). Even when we are in dire and trying circumstances, we are still reminded to put our attention and focus on the LORD. This was what King David did when he was fleeing from his son Absalom and wandering in the wilderness (Ps. 63:1-). Heb. 12:1-2 also reminds us that we have God, Who has started each of us on a faith journey with Him, and would undoubtedly continue to lead and sustain us to the very end of our time on this Earth.

Third, not only do we have the assurance of God's wise leading throughout the whole of our lifetime, but we also have the experience of His comforting and strengthening Presence as we seek to pursue a close and intimate fellowship with Him (Ps. 27:4c "...that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life"). As we set our minds on Christ, we would also not be distracted and overwhelmed by our earthly worries, fears, and concerns (Col. 3:1-3).

Let us draw our confidence, strength, and courage from the beautiful work of the LORD in our lives. God bless!