

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Lord, You have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send Your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before You. Grant this for Your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

18 Jun 2023 **UPCOMING Trinity 2** 25 Jun **Trinity 3** (Sun) 8am & 10:30am Romans 6:1b-11 8am & 10:30am Matthew 10:24-39 **Bp Raphael Samuel** Preacher: Ps Edward Zaccheus **Elder Fellowship Holy** 30 Jun (Fri) 10:30am -**Communion Service** 12:30pm Ascension Hall (AH) Revd Soon Soo Kee Sermon: "Arise Men" Comlink 6 Jul Visit to Peranakan (Thus) Bible Reading: Psalm 112 10am - 12:30pm Museum 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Matthew 9:35-10:8

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

| We warmly welcome you to worship with us at our Sunday Services. | Sunday Service English Traditional Holy Communion | Time 8:00am | Venue Sanctuary (Level 2) |
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| The Church Office is open daily from Tuesday to Saturday (9am to 5.30pm), except for public holidays. Office Phone: 62833988 Emergency contact: 81002203 | English Contemporary Holy Communion 1 st & 3 rd Sun | 10:30am | Sanctuary (Level 2) |
| | Mandarin Holy Communion 1 st & 3 rd Sun | 10:30am | Ascension Hall (Level 3) |

NEW TO COA?

Whether you have joined our service today, onsite or online, or found us on the web, we are glad you have! Do let us know if you would like more information or prayer, or to just give us some feedback. Please contact us at admin@ascension.org.sg

If you are driving to church:

- Register for your new car decal via this link https://bit.ly/3omt1Y9 (Please contact the church office if you cannot access the online form.)
- We encourage everyone to register for the new decal to enter St Andrew's Village. The SAV guards have the authority to deny entry to vehicle without proper identification.
- Parking in the school compound is allowed on Sundays only.

UPDATE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

If your home or email address or contact number has been changed, please notify the church office to ensure you continue to receive COA correspondence. You can notify us in any of the following ways:

- 1. Call the church office at 62833988
- 2. Email to admin@ascension.org.sg
- 3. Write to 13 Francis Thomas Drive, Singapore 359339

ELECTRONIC OFFERTORY

INTERNET BANKING (BANK TRANSFER)

Account Name: Church of The Ascension Bank Name: OCBC Account Number: 511010332001 Reference: Tithing number (if any), and any other description e.g. month of contribution etc.

PAYNOW VIA UEN

- Step 1: Log in to your internet banking account
- Step 2: On the PayNow transfer screen, enter the UEN number T08CC4066A for the Church of the Ascension



FATHERS' DAY SERVICE - 18 JUN 2023

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18 June 2023 "Arise Men!" Psalm 112 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Matthew 9:35—10:8 Ps Edward Zaccheus



COA CHILDREN MINISTRY

*There will be no Little Gems and Kids for Christ Sunday School classes for the month of June.

Enquiries: Shirley Kwek





BREAKFAST AT LKC

We are appealing for generous contributors and volunteers. Please email Elaine Chin at <u>elainekohwy@yahoo.com.sg</u> or call the Church Office if you wish to serve in this area.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

The COA Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) starts on 15 Aug for 6 Tuesday evenings from 7.30pm to 9pm, led by the Vicar and his wife. This course is meant for those who are exploring or preparing for marriage. Interested participants can sign up with the Church Office or click <u>here</u> to sign up.

COA - TELEGRAM

We are on Telegram!

Subscribe to Church of The Ascension to receive updates on our latest announcements, events, programmes and more. Click on the link <u>https://t.me/Ascensionaires</u>

VICAR ON LEAVE

Revd Ian will be on leave on 5–22 June. For any urgent matters, please contact the church office or approach our pastoral staff:-

• Ps Edward Zaccheus (12-22 Jun)

(Note: There will be no Vicar's Message for today -- 18/6.)

CLOSURE OF CHURCH OFFICE - 29 JUN 2023

The church office will be closed on 29 June (Thursday) - PH (Hari Raya Haji). The office will reopen on 30 June (Friday). For any urgent matters, please contact 81002203.

VACANCY FOR FULL-TIME ADMIN OFFICER AT TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE (TTC)

TTC is looking for a suitable candidate to fill up the above position. Interested applicants, please contact <u>christineting@ttc.edu.sg</u> for more information or to submit your CV.

ELDER FELLOWSHIP HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

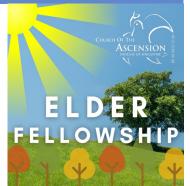
Date: Friday, 30 Jun 2023

Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

Venue: Ascension Hall (AH)

Speaker: Revd Soon Soo Kee

Lunch will be provided after Service at Ascension Hall.



Do join us if you are 60 years and above. Please contact the Church Office for registration and more information.

SELF-CARE FOR MENTAL WELL BEING - 22 JUL 2023

Self-Care for Mental Well Being

Date: 22 July 2023 **Time**: 2pm to 4pm **Venue**: Youth Building, Ground Floor, St George's Church, 44 Minden Road **Speaker**: Ms Michelle Tan, Outreach Manager, CAL

Jointly organised by St George's Church and Caregivers' Alliance Limited (CAL) The talk will help participants to consider the importance of self-care for their mental well-being and to avoid burnout while caring for others affected by mental or chronic illnesses. Participants will learn practical ways to self-care.

This talk is intended for people who are already carers or see themselves becoming carers in the near future.

Interested participants may find out more and register at this link by **20 July 2023**. <u>https://stgeorgeschurch.churchcenter.com/registrations</u>

REGISTRATION FOR ADMISSION TO P1 IN ANGLICAN SCHOOLS 2024 (PHASE 2B)

MOE has announced the dates for Phase 2B of the Primary One registration: From: Monday 24 July 2023, 9am To: Tuesday 25 July 2023, 4.30pm **Result:** Monday, 31 July 2023

Parents will need to:

- 1. Fill up Form A for endorsement by Vicar or authorised person by **17 July 2023** with the Following supporting documents:
 - a. Child/ward's Birth Certificate

b. Parent's Baptism and Confirmation Certificates

Form A may be obtained by written request to <u>admin@ascension.org.sg</u> or contact the church office at 62833988.

Please submit your form to Church office at least two weeks in advance for process (by 1 7 July 2023)

2. Submit the endorsed Form A, together with other necessary documents as indicated on the MOE website, within the time period stated above. Submission is to be made through the FormSG using SingPass.

For more info about Phase 2B and the P1 registration exercise, you may visit: <u>https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration</u>

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION COURSES

Baptism Course (Jul-Aug 2023)

Date: 16 Jul - 19 Aug 2023,

Time: 1:30pm-3pm

Venue: Church of the Ascension

Baptism is one of the most significant milestones in a believer's walk with God. It is a public declaration of our personal decision to make Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

Schedule for Baptism Course

Sunday 16 Jul 2023 - Introduction & Salvation Sunday 23 Jul 2023 - The Apostles' Creed Part 1 Sunday 30 Jul 2023 - The Apostles' Creed Part 2 Sunday 6 Aug 2023 - The Lord's Prayer Part 1 Sunday 13 Aug 2023 - The Lord's Prayer Part 2 Saturday 19 Aug 2023 - Baptism Retreat

Baptism Service: Sunday 27 Aug 2023, 10:30am

To register, please click on the QR code or the link here.

Confirmation Course (Sep-Oct 2023) Date: 24 Sep - 28 Oct 2023, Time: 1:30pm-3pm Venue: Church of the Ascension

Confirmation marks the point in the Christian journey at which you affirm for yourself the faith into which you have been baptised and your intention to live a life of committed discipleship. This affirmation is

confirmed through prayer and the laying on of hands by the confirming Bishop.

The Confirmation Course is for:

- 1. Those seeking confirmation / membership in Church of the Ascension (COA).
- 2. Those baptised and currently attending church services regularly at COA.

Schedule for Confirmation Course

Sunday 24 Sep - The Ten Commandments (1-4) Sunday 1 Oct - The Ten Commandments (5-10) Sunday 8 Oct - The Work of the Holy Spirit Sunday 15 Oct - Anglicanism & Church History Sunday 22 Oct - The Sacrament of Holy Communion Saturday 28 Oct (10am-12pm) - Confirmation Retreat

Confirmation Service: Sunday 29 Oct 2022, 10.30 am

To register, please click on the QR code or the link here.





Baptism Class

Commencing: 16th July 2023 Contact office for details

ALPHA COURSE : JUL - SEP 2023



Who is Alpha for?

Alpha is for everyone, especially:

Those who are searching for the meaning of life

Those who are exploring Christianity and the Church

New Christians or Newcomers to Church

Schedule :

Dates: 16 July – 10 Sep, 2023 Sundays Time: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Venue: DOS Building, #01-06 No. 1, Francis Thomas Drive

- 16/7: Is there More to Life Than This?
- 23/7: Who is Jesus?
- 30/7: Why did Jesus die?
- 6/8: How can we have faith?
- 13/8: Why & how do I pray?
- 20/8: Why and how should I read the Bible?

Venue: DOS Building, #01-06 No. 1, Francis Thomas Drive Singapore 359340

- 26/8 (Sat) 9 am 3:30 pm **Alpha Weekend**
 - Venue: 3rd Floor, Ascension Hall, Church of the Ascension.
 - Who is the Holy Spirit?
 - What does the Holy Spirit do?
 - How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?
 - How can I make the most of the rest of my life?
- 10/9: Why and how should I tell others?

13/9: How does God guide us?

Fun Food Trail

Join us for a pre-Alpha activity on **8 July** morning! Get to know the people. Explore great food around!



Cost: It's free! (Lunch Included)

Register by 9 July! <u>Click here to register online</u> Enquiries: <u>admin@ascension.org.sg</u>

KARDIA - YOUTH SUNDAY BBQ : 2 JULY 2023

Kardia youth invites you!

Beach - Friends - Food- Games

July 2nd, 2023 • 3:30 PM - 8:00pm East Coast Park Area C Pit 18 Near to Carpark C2

More information and signup at https://tinyurl.com/COAYouthDay2023 Enquiries : Shaun 85220891



CONDOLENCES

Our deepest condolences to Sien Yee, Mervyn, Joshua and Grace on the passing of their mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Mdm Yong Pick Ying, who passed on 16 June 2023.

They wish to thank COA for your prayers and support given to the family. Please continue to uphold Sien Yee, Mervyn, Joshua and Grace in your prayers.

MY WISHES FOR ASCENSION KINDERGARTEN

My hopes and dreams for Ascension

TELL US HOW ASCENSION HAS MADE A POSITIVE IMPACT IN YOUR LIVES. DO SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSES BY 31 JULY 2023



The Ascension Kindergarten opened its doors to young children and families in 1964. Many generations of Ascensionaires hold fond memories of fun times singing praise songs, playing all day and being loved by teachers.

In 2016, the Ministry of Education first announced its plans to build preschools within its primary schools to improve quality and accessibility. The government also continues to fund childcare centres and increase teacher's salaries. With the increase in operating costs and dwindling enrolment for kindergartens, Ascension need to change its model so that it can continue to reach out to young children and families. It will operate as a childcare from Jan 2024

Schedule of Work and events

- June Renovations commence
 - Children will be relocated within SAV
- July Announcement of new preschool name
- Oct Return to Science Block

Between June to October, do expect

- limitation in parking spaces
- storage of bulky resources in COA and Youth Room
- Use of LKC Hall during weekdays

We apologise for the inconveniences caused and thank you for your patience.

COMLINK - PERANAKAN MUSEUM: 6 JUL 23





Peranakan Museum

| DATE: | 6 JUL 23 (THURS) |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| TIME: | 10AM TO 12.30PM |
| VENUE: | CITY HALL MRT (EXIT B) |
| FEES: | FOC (SINGAPOREANS & PRS) |
| | \$12 PER ADULT (FOREIGNERS) |
| REGISTE | R BY: 4 JUL 2023 |

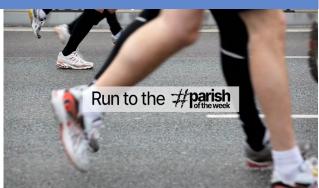
TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION AT 6283-3988 (OFFICE HOURS ONLY, CLOSED ON MONDAY)

The organiser reserves the right to cancel the event should unforeseen circumstances occur.

RUN TO THE #PARISH OF THE WEEK

Parish of the Week

Parish of the Week is a 2-year campaign (2023-2024) where one parish is featured per week. During the featured week, there will be videos to introduce the parish, a clergy-led run to the parish, diocese-wide prayer for the parish and a whole lot of buzz on social media for this one featured parish. More information about Parish of the Week can be found on the diocesan website at www.anglican.org.sg/potw .



DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES - MODULE 7

Diocesan Theological Studies Module 7 The Christian and the Church

4 JULY TO 22 AUGUST 2023 (EVERY TUESDAY) 7.30 - 9.30 PM VIA ZOOM COST: \$20 REGISTER: <u>HTTPS://BIT.LY/30XER8K</u> CONTACT PERSON: LUCILLA TEOH, LUCILLATEOH.DTS@GMAIL.COM

TEACHING TEAM REVD GARY CHNG PASTOR GABRIEL JUSTIN TAN REVD WILLIAM CHEE REVD THOMAS J. ISAAC REVD DR JEREMY-JOE TAN



The Christian and the Church

"I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matt 16:18 ESV).

The Church is a key part of the life of a Christian. Just because protestant Christianity rejects the doctrine that salvation comes through the Church or that the Church is the ark of salvation, the Church should not be thought of as just an addendum to Christian life. In Ephesians, we read that God has a marvelous plan for and through the Church in the world today and all of us, when we believe and follow Jesus,

are part of the Church, which is the body of Christ. The Christian life is lived within a local church. Topics include: History and Nature of the Church, Sacraments and Ordinances of the Church, The Church and Society and in the World.

<u>REGISTRATION</u>: **Dates**: 4 July to 22 August 2023 (Every Tuesday) **Time**: 7.30 - 9.30 pm Via Zoom **Cost**: \$20 IRegister via: https://bit.ly/3OXer8k



Diocesan **C**ertificate of Biblical Thursday **S**tudies Zoom!

Evenings on

Term 3 2023

Old Testament

Module 3 The Former Prophets (Joshua, Judges, 1&2 Samuel)

Instructor: Revd. Canon Dr. Lewis Lew. Revd. Aaron Cheng, Dr. Gilbert Tan

10 lessons: 6 Jul – 7 Sep 7.30pm - 9pm

Exam (optional) 16 Sep

https://tinyurl.com/DCBSMod3



Click or scan the QR code to sign up. Course fees: \$10.00 | Exam fees: \$5.00

Payment instructions provided on registration. Exam is optional. For more information on DCBS, please visit this link: https://sph.org.sg/school-of-biblical-studies/ For other enquiries, write to dcbs.sph@gmail.com

New Testament

Module 9 The Acts of the Apostles

Instructor: Mr. Stanley Tay

9 lessons: 6 Jul - 31 Aug 7.30pm - 9pm

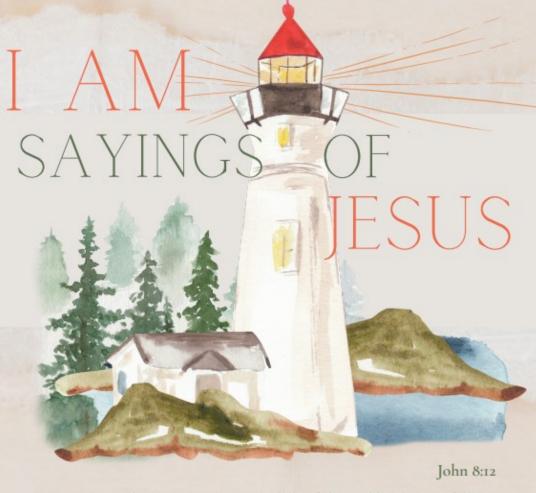
Exam (optional) 16 Sep

https://tinyurl.com/DCBSMod9





Church of the Ascension July-August Sermon Series



Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

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| 9 July | Revd Ian Chew | |
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| 16 July | Ps Barnabas Sim | |
| 23 July | Ps Loke Chi Shyan | |
| 30 July | Ps Edward Zaccheus | |
| 6 August | Revd Soon Soo Kee | |
| 13 August | Dr Leow Theng Hua | |
| 20 August | Revd Ian Chew | |
| | | |

I am the Bread of Life I am the Light of the World I am the Gate for the Sheep I am the Good Shepherd I am the Resurrection and the Life I am the Way, Truth and Life I am the True Vine

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers

PRAYER FOCUS FOR WEEK: 18 JUN - 24 JUN 2023

1) DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE:

ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL Dean: Vicar: Clergy, Deaconesses, pastoral and admin staff

Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung Revd Canon Lewis Lew

Extension Centre: Westside Anglican Church Little Seeds Preschool (St Andrew's / Jurong West) SAC Home for the Aged (Clementi)

2) SINGAPORE AND THE WORLD:

Singapore: Singapore's next Presidential Election must be called by Sep 13, with Mdm Halimah's six-year term expiring on that day. Pray that God will lead the nation in electing a suitable and eligible candidate in the upcoming Presidential Election.

India and Pakistan: 100,000 evacuated as cyclone threatens India and Pakistan. It could devastate homes and tear down power lines. Pray that their homes will be protected and no more threats of storms, destruction of crops and disruption of railways and roads

3) PARISH:

- Father's Day blessing to all the fathers and grandfathers and spiritual fathers.
- Cell group ministry continues to be a place where church members are refreshed and encouraged
- Fathers' Day Service on 18 Jun 23 (Today).

4) THE SICK AND SUFFERING:

For health and recovery

Evelyn Tan, Joanne Lau, Lily Chan, Mary Yee, Tan Teck Hin, Wong Wah Kum, Zephan Heng

Relatives and Friends of COA members Benjamin (Lesley Ho's nephew) - Hepatitis B David Yeong (Margaret Onn's husband) – cancer Sng Hock Meng - healing of the mind Soo Ngook Khinn (Sien Yee's father) - salvation Ong Chwee Hock (Ong Siew Chin's brother) physiotherapy and lymphoma

For healing

Annie Huan - strength for her legs Conelius Loo - sleep apnea Joseph Phua - muscular degeneration - stones in left kidney. - urinary tract infection. Nancy Chan (Low) - stroke & heart Felicia Koh - scan to show results to be normal and blood tests to show improvement in the results.

Steven Syn - restoration and wellness.

"...The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:37-38