



Bishop: Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Vicar: Revd Ian Chew

## COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**4 Jun 2023**  
**Trinity Sunday/TTC Day**

**8am & 10:30am**

**Preacher:** Revd Dr Edwin Tay

**Sermon:** "Praise to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit"

**Bible Reading:** Ephesians 1:3-14;  
Matthew 28:16-20

## UPCOMING

**8 & 9 Jun**  
**(Thu & Fri)**  
**9am - 4pm**

**KIDS FOR CHRIST CAMP**  
"Grow Deeper in Faith"  
Ascension Hall

**10 Jun (Sat)**  
**2.30pm - 4.30pm**

**AWM Fellowship 2 -**  
Dancing Through the Seasons

**11 Jun**  
**(Sun)**  
**8am &**  
**10:30am**

**Trinity 1**  
"Growth in Tough Times"  
Acts 11:19-end  
John 15:12-17  
Ps Barnabas Sim

**18 Jun**  
**(Sun)**  
**8am &**  
**10:30am**

**Trinity 2**  
"Arise Men"  
Romans 5:1-8  
Matthew 9:35-10:8  
Ps Edward Zaccheus

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Event Calendar: <https://ascension.org.sg/coa-calendar>

## VICAR'S MESSAGE 4 JUN 2023

Dear COA Family,

Today we commemorate Trinity Sunday. Our Christian faith is the only unique faith that reveals God as the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Trinity, we would not have our Christian faith and would not have known salvation. It is also the first article in our Anglican 39 Articles of Religion.

Here are some quotes on the Trinity:

*“When thou sayest, ‘Saviour,’ remember there is a Trinity in that word — the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, this Saviour being three persons under one name. Thou canst not be saved by the Son without the Father, nor by the Father without the Son, nor by Father and Son without the Spirit.”*

Charles Spurgeon

*“Worship the Trinity, which I call the only true devotion and saving doctrine.”*

St Gregory of Nazianzus.

*Yet can the Trinity truly be explained?*

When I was young, I was taught the Trinity as being like water. Water is ice when below zero degrees, liquid at room temperature and steam at boiling point. Yet all the different states are essentially still water. In the same way, God exists as Father, Son and Holy Spirit at different times but is still God.

Yet this is the heresy or wrong teaching of modalism that God exists in three different modes, appearing to us differently at different times. An example of this teaching is that God is the Father at creation, the Son when he came to earth and the Holy Spirit now that Jesus has ascended to heaven. The truth is that **in the unity of the Godhead, there are three Persons of one substance, power, and eternity -- the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.** (Article I of the 39 Articles of Religion.)

However, it must be acknowledged that the concept of the Trinity is not easily understood. Because our God is ultimately unfathomable, we will never arrive at a place to fully understand him. Yet we also cannot say we do not and will never know God as he has clearly revealed himself to us through his word. And so, it is our responsibility to come to a right understanding of God within the right parameters. This is what our church services and teaching classes aim to do.

Ultimately, though, the understanding of God as Triune is not merely for academic purposes but for us to experience him in a personal way. Love is truly possible because the Father loves the Son and the Son loves the Father. The Father and the Son love the Spirit and the Spirit loves the Father and Son in return. Out of the love of the Trinity we are recipients of that love. We can also worship and praise the Father for creating us, thank our Lord Jesus for saving us from our sins, and pray to and depend on the Holy Spirit for wisdom and strength each day. This is how we grow in our understanding of and intimacy of relationship with God. And this is a journey that we progress in all of our lives.

Have a blessed Trinity Sunday!

Revd Ian

**(Note: There will be no Vicar's Message for the next two Sundays as the Vicar is on leave.)**



## WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

We warmly welcome you to worship with us at our Sunday Services.

The Church Office is open daily from Tuesday to Saturday (9am to 5.30pm), except for public holidays.  
Office Phone: 62833988  
Emergency contact: 81002203

Sunday Service	Time	Venue
<b>English Traditional</b> Holy Communion	8:00am	Sanctuary (Level 2)
<b>English Contemporary</b> Holy Communion 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	10:30am	Sanctuary (Level 2)
<b>Mandarin</b> Holy Communion 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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

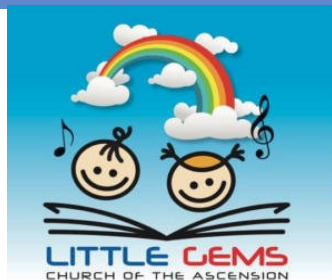
- Step 1: Log in to your internet banking account
- Step 2: On the PayNow transfer screen, enter the UEN number T08CC4066A for the Church of the Ascension



## 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 [elainekohwy@yahoo.com.sg](mailto:elainekohwy@yahoo.com.sg) 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 [here](#) 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 <https://t.me/Ascensionaires>

## 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:-

- 1) Ps Barnabas Sim (5-11 Jun)
- 2) Ps Edward Zaccheus (12-22 Jun)

## AWM FELLOWSHIP 2 - DANCING THROUGH THE SEASONS

**Date:** 10 June 2023

**Time:** 2.30 - 4.30 pm

**Guest Speaker:** Mrs Kimberly Huang

Register with Jenny Ho @97730110 by **8 June 23** for logistics purposes.

# 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.

# TTC SUNDAY - TRUMPET APR 2023

## Trumpet Apr 2023



## KIDS FOR CHRIST CAMP (8 - 9 JUNE 2023)

**Rise Up!**

**GROW DEEPER IN FAITH**  
**KIDS FOR CHRIST CAMP**

BUT GROW IN GRACE, AND IN THE KNOWLEDGE  
OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.  
2 PETER 3:18A

8 (THURS) TO 9 (FRI) JUNE 2023  
9AM TO 4PM  
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

7 TO 12  
YEARS  
OLD | \$20  
PER CHILD

SCAN HERE  
TO SIGN UP

IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUERIES, PLEASE  
CONTACT SHIRLEY  
AT 07667304

Registration for the camp is **closed**. We look forward to seeing you at the camp!

## 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

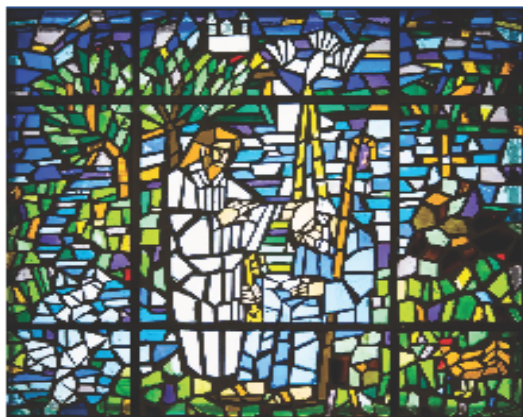
**Speaker:** Ms Michelle Tan, Outreach Manager, CAL

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.



# Diocesan Certificate of Biblical Studies

*Thursday  
Evenings on  
Zoom!*

## 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>



### 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>



**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](mailto:dcbs.sph@gmail.com)



YAAAS FAM - 29 JUN 2023

# YAAAS FAM

The First-Ever Parent-Child Bonding  
Outdoor Sports & Games Jointly  
Organised By The 3 SAV Churches



Date: 29 June 2023

Time: 9am-12.30pm

Venue: St. Andrew's Junior College Field

Fee: \$5 for each Adult-Child Pair

Age: 5-12 years old



*Sign Up Now!*

*Registration & Payment via QR Code*

*Registration Deadline: 4 June 2023*

*For enquiries, contact Lili Chng at  
lilichng@cor.org.sg*

**Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord**

**Psalm 127:3a**



The event is open to all families with children aged 5-12 years old. It is the first ever parent-child bonding event jointly organised by the three parishes in St. Andrew's Village: Church of the Ascension, Chapel of the Holy Spirit and Chapel of the Resurrection. Register by 4 June (**Today**) via the QR code provided. For any queries, please contact Angel at 81390411.



# CHINESE MINISTRY OUTING: DESARU 2D1N (16-17 JUNE 2023)

## 2D Desaru



## 迪沙鲁乐悠悠



Day 1 Singapore - Desaru (Fruit Fiesta Lunch & Dinner)

第一天 新加坡 - 迪沙鲁 (水果大餐, 晚餐)

Assemble at designated point and depart to custom via 2nd link. Meet & greet by Malaysia tour guide and proceed to Gelang Patah for breakfast at own expenses. After breakfast, continue our journey to Desaru.

集合于指定出发地点等候出发, 我们将从第二通道进入马来西亚。导游接待前往享用早餐 (自费)。接着前往迪沙鲁

Desaru Fruit Farm with farm tour 参观迪沙鲁水果园

- Guided farm tour to 100 acres tropical fruit land 室内导游安排参观果园
- Learn about the followings : GAP-Good Agriculture Practice/ IPM-Integrated Pest Management
- Stroll thru the passion fruit & Jambu trail 了解水果种植, 水翁街道
- Collect information in the agriculture gallery 农贸博物馆

Lunch with Fruit Fiesta 水果大餐

Check in hotel, free & leisure 入住酒店, 自由活动

Proceed to Kota Tinggi for Dinner and Firefly Watching Experience 享用晚餐, 观赏萤火虫

Day 2 Desaru - Pengerang - Singapore (Breakfast, Lobster seafood lunch)

第二天 迪沙鲁 - 泗湾岛 - 新加坡 (早餐, 龙虾海鲜午餐)

Breakfast at hotel, check out and proceed to Pengerang 早餐在酒店, 退房前往泗湾岛

Visit Famous biscuit shop then follow by Lobster seafood lunch 前往泗湾岛著名饼店, 接着享用午餐

Shopping time @ AEON Shopping mall 购物时间 - AEON购物商场

Return to Singapore 返回新加坡

- Home Sweet Home - 旅途愉快!

**PACKAGE INCLUSIVE OF 配套包括:**

♣ **TRAVEL BY AIR-CONDITIONED COACH** 乘搭舒适旅游巴士

♣ **1 NIGHT HOTEL ACCOMMODATION** 1晚酒店住宿

♣ **4 MEALS** 4餐

♣ **TRAVEL INSURANCE** 旅游保险 (80岁以下)

**A) PERSONAL ACCIDENT** 个人意外 \$10000 (80岁以下)

**B) PERSONAL ACCIDENT MEDICAL** 个人意外医药 \$500

♣ **TIPPINGS** 小费

Sequence of itinerary is subject to change without prior notice.

本社保留在不可预见情况下有权更改景点游览的先后顺序, 以实际路况/天气为准

# \$199

出发日期

16/06/2023

Those who are interested, please contact Caroline at 98333197. Last day of registration is on 4 June 2023 (Today).

## 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

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

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 information, please visit the following MOE [website](https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register?pt=2B) (https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register?pt=2B).



# FATHERS' DAY SERVICE

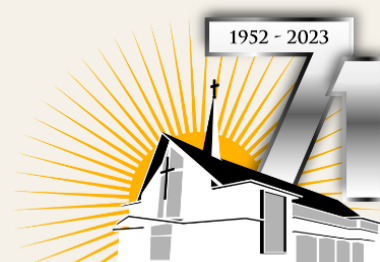
18 June

"Arise Men!"

Romans 5:1-8

Matthew 9:35—10:8

Ps Edward Zaccheus





*Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers*

## PRAYER FOCUS FOR WEEK: 4 JUN - 10 JUN 2023

### 1) DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE:

- a. Bishop of Singapore – Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung  
Assistant Bishop – Rt Revd Low Jee King  
Archdeacon of Singapore – Ven Daniel Wee  
Archdeacon (Community Services) – Ven Wong Tak Meng  
Director of Missions – Revd Dr Timothy Chong  
Diocesan Officers
- b. Diocesan Secretary for School, Group CEO SACS/SAMH and Diocesan Office Staff
- c. Synod and Diocesan Boards – Standing Committee, Development Board, Youth Board, Missions Board, Board of Chinese Work, Finance Board, Theological Education Board, Education Board and Singapore Anglican Indian Board, HR Board.

### 2) SINGAPORE AND THE WORLD:

Singapore: Increase in service and conservancy charges from July for flats, shops and offices, as well as markets and cooked food stalls over the next two years. Pray for poor and marginalised to be able to cope with the raising cost of living and inflation rates.

Asia: Higher risk of haze in the southern ASEAN region between June and October this year amid expectations of a more intense and prolonged dry season. Pray for the people in these countries to be kept safe from respiratory problems and other health issues

### 3) PARISH:

- KFC Children Camp (8 - 9 Jun 2023): Pray for the 55 registered children to grow deeper in their faith and encounter God powerfully in the camp.
- Protection and safety for members and their families as they spend quality time together during the June holidays
- Rest and refreshing for church staff during the June holidays.

### 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.

*“ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”*

**Matthew 28:19**