



Bishop: The Most Revd Dr Titus Chung

Vicar: Revd Ian Chew

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Most merciful God, Who by the death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in Him Who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of His victory; 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 forever. Amen.

17 Mar 2024

Lent 5

8am & 10.30am

Preacher: Revd Timothy Chow

Sermon: "Solitary Yet Fruitful"

Bible Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10;
John 12:20-33

UPCOMING

21 Mar (Thurs) 8.30am	Comlink Chinatown Heritage Walk
22 Mar (Fri) 10.30am	Elder Fellowship Holy Communion Service "The Fruit of The Spirit: Virtue of Love" Revd Lew Kiat Lern MPH
23 Mar (Sat) 9.30am	Making of Palm Crosses LKC Hall
24 Mar (Sun) 8am & 10.30am	Palm and Passion Sunday "Humiliation Yet Exaltation" Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 15:40-47 Revd Ian Chew
28 Mar (Thur) 8pm	Maundy Thursday: "Servitude Yet Authority" 1 Co 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-17, 31b-35; Ps Alex Wong
29 Mar (Fri) 9am	Good Friday "Redemption & Restoration" Hebrews 10:16-25 John 18:1-19:42; Lay Readers
30 Mar (Sat) 10.30am	Baptism Service "Safely Through Water" 1 Peter 3:18-22 Ps Barnabas Sim
31 Mar (Sun) 8am & 10.30am	Easter Sunday "Resurrection to Life Eternal" 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 John 20:1-18 Revd Ian Chew

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Event Calendar: ascension.org.sg/cc

VICAR'S MESSAGE

Dear COA Family,

How is your observance for the season of Lent going so far?

I am very thankful that many of you have embarked on some form of fasts – be it in a physical, mental, emotional or spiritual manner.

The grace and discipline of fasting has been given to us by Christ to allow us space to make room for more of God's words and presence in our hearts.

If you have not been as faithful as you would like it to be in your fasts or have not started on one, don't lose heart.

The Lord is a God who is merciful and gracious; he renews us each day in our dependence and pursuit of him, and he will grant us daily grace for each day's needs.

We can fast not only by depriving ourselves of what we normally enjoy, but by **doing good works towards others**.

The prophet Isaiah records God as saying:

"Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke?"

Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

*Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard.
Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I."*
Isaiah 58:6-9

God's appointed fasts also consist of us practically doing good to others, especially helping the needy, the poor and the despised of society.

In doing so, the blessing and favour of the Lord will richly rest upon us so that our prayers will be very effective and our relationship with God deepened.

And this was exactly what a sister in our church told me recently that she was doing as part of her fast during this season of Lent.

She would think of **one good deed to do another person each day** – whether it is in physically buying food for that person or calling up someone to encourage him or her.

So friends, if you have not started on a fast, why not ask God to help you bless someone in this season in a practical way?

You will never know how much of a blessing you can be through the power and love of God working through your life!

God bless,

Revd Ian



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
English Traditional Holy Communion	8:00am	Sanctuary (Level 2)
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 or click on the link and kindly fill in the form to help us keep in touch with you. Click [here](#).

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.

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

REQUEST FOR HOUSE/OFFICE BLESSING

If you need help with House or Office Blessing, please contact the Church Office or send an email to admin@ascension.org.sg

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



STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS (TITHING & THANKSGIVING)

The yearly statements are ready. Please contact Clare if you require a copy of your contributions.

CHILDREN MINISTRY

Sunday school classes start at 10.30am.
The children will be dismissed at 12.30pm.

Enquiries: [Shirley Kwek](#)



BREAKFAST AT LKC

Welcome to our 'Refreshment Corner' and enjoy your fellowship with the food and beverage.

We praise God and are grateful for the generous monetary contribution we have been receiving.

If anyone is interested in contributing in kind (eg. food and drinks), please contact Elaine Koh (94511625) or Clare at the church office.

In consideration of hygiene and proper coordination, we seek your cooperation informing Elaine or Clare before placing any food contribution at the 'Refreshment Corner'.



EVENT CALENDAR 2024

The COA 2024 Event calendar is available for download. Please use the below link for the event calendar: <http://ascension.org.sg/coa-calendar>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KWONG WAI SHIU HOSPITAL CARE

There is an increasing number of elderly residents in KWS Hospital requesting to come to church on Sundays at 10.30am. We need volunteers (especially men) to wheel them on wheelchairs to church at 10am.

If you are keen to be a volunteer for the above ministry, please contact the church office to sign up.

BAPTISM COURSE (FEB-MAR 2024)

Date: 18 Feb – 30 Mar 2024,

Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm

Venue: COA Conference Room (L2)

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. God works through baptism too to deepen our faith in him.

Baptism Service: Saturday,
30 March 2024, 10:30am
To register, please click on the
QR code or the link [here](#).



BAPTISM CLASS

18 FEB	SALVATION
25 FEB	APOSTLES' CREED 1
3 MAR	APOSTLES' CREED 2
10 MAR	LORD'S PRAYER 1
17 MAR	LORD'S PRAYER 2
23 MAR	BAPTISM RETREAT
30 MAR	BAPTISM SERVICE

REGISTER NOW WITH THE CHURCH OFFICE!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES - 2024



PALM SUNDAY

24 MAR 2024, 8AM & 10.30AM

Humiliation Yet Exaltation

Revd Ian Chew



MAUNDY THURSDAY

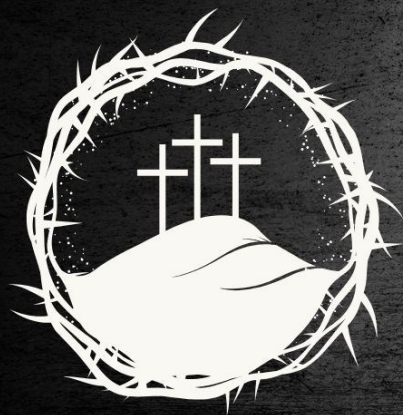
28 MAR 2024, 8PM

Servitude Yet Authority

Ps Alex Wong



Holy Week Services



GOOD FRIDAY

29 MAR 2024, 9AM

Redemption & Restoration

Lay Readers



EASTER SUNDAY

31 MAR 2024, 8AM & 10.30AM

Resurrection to Life Eternal

Revd Ian Chew

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

1. The AGM will be held on **28 April 2024, at 11.30am**. More details will be announced in the coming weeks.
2. The Electoral Roll (ER) is being updated and revised for AGM and will be made available soon. To be on the ER, you have to be baptised, confirmed, over the age of 17 and actively supporting the church. Please email Clare if you have any enquiry concerning the AGM. Updated ER as of 3 Mar has been posted in Church.
3. Members on the ER are encouraged to opt for a soft copy (pdf) instead of a printed copy of the AGM report. If you require a hard copy, please email:
admin@ascension.org.sg with your full name to make a request.

ELDER FELLOWSHIP HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Date: Friday, 22 Mar 2024
Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm
Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH)
Sermon: The Fruit of The Spirit: Virtue of Love (Loving others as you love yourself)
Speaker: Revd Lew Kiat Lern
Lunch will be provided after Service at LKC Hall.



SANH TOUR : 24 MAR 2024

SANH TOUR (Aljunied)

24 March 2024, Sunday
12.30pm-1.30pm

Transport will be provided

Sign up via Church Office if you are interested



If you are interested, please sign up with the Church office.

AWM FELLOWSHIP & UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming Holy Week Activities:

Making of Palm Crosses

Date: 23 March 2024

Venue: LKC Hall

Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Easter Sunday Brunch (Bring-a-plate)

Date: 31 March 2024

Venue: LKC Hall (after 2nd Service)

Time: 12pm - 1.30pm.

***For making of palm crosses / Bring-a-plate contributions, please contact Jenny Ho (97730110) or Prisca (98717769) for logistic purposes.**

COA MEMORIAL SERVICE : 7 APR 2024

Date: 7 April 2024

Time: 2pm

The church will hold a memorial service in memory of our deceased. We invite the families who are remembering their loved ones to attend and welcome to invite family members who are non-believer to attend, offering a chance to hear and listen to the gospel message and testimonies.



Application Deadline: 31 March 2024

Requirement:

1. Deceased must be Christian
2. Participating members must attend the service in person on the day

For Registration:

Please click on this link:

<https://forms.gle/m6Ky3xATTdYN5ouu5>; or scan QR code.





CHINATOWN HERITAGE WALK

DATE: 21 MAR 2024 (THURS)

TIME : 8.30AM TO 12PM

COST: \$5 PER PERSON

(INCLUSIVE OF TOUR BY STB
LICENSED GUIDE)

**VENUE: POTONG PASIR MRT
STATION**

**REGISTRATION: LIMITED TO 1ST
20 PAX**

**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 ANY UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES OCCUR.**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - EASTER PARTY ON 31 MAR 2024

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
PRESENTS:

**EASTER
JOY!**

JESUS IS ALIVE!

**BRING A FRIEND! AND JOIN US FOR
A FUN MORNING FULL OF SONGS,
STORIES AND GAMES!**

Date:

31 March 2024, Sunday

Time:

10.30am- 12.30pm

Venue:

Multi-Purpose Hall

THE 7J SG COY BB WEEK: 3 MAR - 7 APR 2024



BB WEEK
3 MAR - 7 APR
2024
**SHAPING
A SURE
FUTURE**



SCAN TO
GIVE TO
THE 7J SG COY
IN SAJS

CHURCH CAMP: 1 - 4 JUN 2024

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
CAMP 2024



Fulfilling God's Purposes Together



1-4 JUNE 2024
AMERALD RESORT, DESARU
REGISTER TODAY!

SPEAKERS:
REV TIMOTHY CHOW
REV PETER CHU
PASTOR CHERYL

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION & PAYMENT : SUNDAY 21 APRIL 2024

YOUTH
MINISTRY

KARDIA

Church of the
ASCENSION



Combined Fellowship

Last Sunday of the month,
1.30pm-3pm at Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)

Youth Encounter Night

First Saturday of the month,
7pm-9pm at Youth Room/ Ascension Hall

Cell Groups

2nd and/or 3rd Sunday of the month,
After 10.30am service.

Sports Games

2nd and 4th Saturday of the month,
4pm-6pm at SASS Indoor Sports Hall

CONTACT 81390411 (ANGEL)
FOR ANY QUERIES :D

 @kardia_coa

LENTEN DEVOTION : 14 FEB - 30 MAR 2024



LENTEN DEVOTION

14 FEB '24 - 30 MAR '24

A devotional will be written by a church member everyday and shared through cell group chats and media channels.
(i.e. Telegram, COA Website, Instagram/ Facebook)

The Upside-down Kingdom of God

14 Feb	Ash Wednesday	Destitute Yet Glorious	Angelina Lim
18 Feb	1st Sunday in Lent	Losing Yet Gaining It All	Ps Edward Zaccheus
25 Feb	2nd Sunday in Lent	Trampled Yet Victorious	Revd Ian Chew
3 Mar	3rd Sunday in Lent	Dying Yet Living Again	Ps Barnabas Sim
10 Mar	4th Sunday in Lent	Dead in Sin Yet Made Alive	Revd Stephen Lim
17 Mar	5th Sunday in Lent	Solitary Yet Fruitful	Revd Timothy Chow
24 Mar	Palm & Passion Sunday	Humiliation Yet Exaltation	Revd Ian Chew
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the earth and dies, it remains alone;
but if it dies, it bears much fruit*

John 12:24



DOS EASTER EVE MEMORIAL SERVICES 2024

Date: Saturday, 30 March 2024

Time: 3:00pm

Venue 1: Choa Chu Kang Christian Cemetery (see map on notice board at LKC Hall)

Clergy-in-charge: Revd Eric Yong & Revd Lew Kiat Lern

Venue 2: All Saints' Memorial Chapel @ 5 Poh Huat Road, Singapore 546703

Clergy-in-charge: Revd Lui Choo Huat & Revd Dino V Thangamany

Please record the names of your loved ones on the **Easter Eve Memorial Service List** at the foyer (registration form at the frontdesk) beside the main church entrance by **Sunday, 24 March**.

DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES: THE DOCTRINE OF SCRIPTURE

THE DOCTRINE OF SCRIPTURE

on the authority, the formation, the character, and the focus of Scripture

Teaching Team: Revd Daniel Tong, Revd King Chiew Kwang & Revd William Chee

Dates: 2 – 23 April, 2024

Time: 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Via Zoom

Cost: \$12.00

To register: <https://bit.ly/3P5NzCn>

Contact person: Lucilla Teoh, lucillateoh.dts@gmail.com

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DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES (DCBS) 2024 - TERM 2



Diocesan Certificate of Biblical Studies **ONLINE**



Click or Scan the QR codes below to register for the modules!

Old Testament **5: The Minor Prophets**

Instructors: Revd Hambali Leonardi,
Ds Grace Tan, Mr James Tan,
Dr Gilbert Tan, Ms Vivien Chen

9 lessons: 4 Apr – 30 May
7:30pm – 9:00pm

*Note: No lesson on 28 Mar
(Maundy Thursday)

Exam (optional): 8 Jun

<https://tinyurl.com/DCBS-Module5-Reg>



New Testament **12: The Pauline Epistles (3) Ephesians to Philemon**

Instructors: Mr Kwan Fook Seng,
Ms Brenda Goh, Mr Keith Leong,
Mrs Bernice Gan, Ps Evangeline Khoo

9 lessons: 4 Apr – 30 May
7:30pm – 9:00pm

*Note: No lesson on 28 Mar
(Maundy Thursday)

Exam (optional): 8 Jun

<https://tinyurl.com/DCBS-Module12Reg>



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Have the gift of administration? Want to be part of God's mission for the Church? The Diocesan Central Administration (DCA) is looking for administration professionals with a burden to serve God with their skills. Join us in building the administration infrastructure for all the Anglican parishes in Singapore. Join us to Empower, Enable and Equip our churches for tomorrow!

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- 7) Secretariat & Compliance
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Find out more about DCA and what we do <https://anglican.org.sg/wearedca/> .

Interested applicants may submit their CV via
https://form.jotform.com/Diocese_Central/careers-at-dca .

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Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers

PRAYER FOCUS FOR WEEK: 17 - 23 MAR 2024

1) DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Vicar:

English and Chinese Congregation:

Little Seeds Preschool (Church of the Good Shepherd)

Revd Canon Huang Ao-You
Clergy, staff and parishioners
Principal and staff

2) SINGAPORE AND THE WORLD:

Singapore: Singaporeans are still feeling the effects of the rise in the cost of living. Pray that the low income families and marginalized families would get all the help they need to cope with the inflation.

World: Pray for the protection of civilians and the reduction of hostilities in the Russian-Ukraine war, especially with the threat of a nuclear response looming.

3) PARISH:

- 1) Pray that we refocus to seek the Lord and recommit to our spiritual disciplines in this second half of the season of Lent.
- 2) Pray for the 12 candidates who have signed up for baptism on 30 Mar (Holy Saturday) that they will be protected from all harm and grow in their faith in the lead up to the baptism.

4) THE SICK AND SUFFERING:

For health and recovery

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
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
Felicia Koh - tiny cyst on the liver remain harmless. Liver enzymes to be stable. Wisdom on the doctors to give right diagnosis.
Zephan Heng - ALP level to drop and no issues with liver or bones.
Steven Syn - restoration consciousness and health
Janet Hale - relief from pain in her body
Wilson Lim - continued recovery from loss of red blood cells
Nancy Chan (Low) - stroke & heart
Javier Chua - Type 1 Diabetes

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