



**Bishop: The Most Revd Dr Titus Chung**

**Vicar: Revd Ian Chew**

## COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same;  
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.

**14 Jul 2024**

**Trinity 7**

**8am & 10.30am**

**Preacher: Ps Edward Zaccheus**

**Sermon: "Fragrance of Christian Ministry"**

**Bible Reading:** 2 Corinthians 2:1-17;  
Mark 6:14-29

## UPCOMING

**18 Jul  
(Thur)  
9.45am** **Comlink**  
Stretchercise  
LKC Hall

**21 Jul  
(Sun)  
8am  
&  
10.30am** **Trinity 8**  
"Freedom of Spirit in Ministry"  
2 Corinthians 3:1-18;  
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56  
Revd Ian Chew

**21 Jul  
(Sun)  
12.30pm** **Baptism Class**  
"Apostles' Creed 1"  
MPH

**21 Jul  
(Sun)  
12.30pm** **Alpha#2**  
"Who is Jesus?"  
Youth Room #01-06  
DOS Building

**26 Jul  
(Fri)  
10.30am** **Elder Fellowship Holy  
Communion Service**  
"The Fruit of The Spirit:  
Kindness"  
Ps Edward Zaccheus

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Event Calendar: [ascension.org.sg/cc](http://ascension.org.sg/cc)

## VICAR'S MESSAGE

Dear COA Family,

I am often amazed at how open people are to the beauty and love of Christ, and sometimes even more than I expect them to be!

Just this past Friday morning, we conducted our first Holy Communion service at St Andrew's Nursing Home (Aljunied) which was open to all the residents. A total of 21 residents came for the service, including some who were not Christians.

Yet at the service, every participant, as far as I could see, was open to the work of God in our midst. All of the residents sang enthusiastically and used the musical instruments that we distributed to praise God. One resident even shared with me that he felt the presence of God so strongly in the service that he was thankful for us for organising it.

In particular, there was an elderly lady who attended the service who was not a Christian. Ps Jocelyn remembered that when she first came into the home, she did not want Ps Jocelyn to share about Christ with her. Yet she eagerly participated in the service and was open to our prayers for her after the service too!

She was not alone. Other elderly residents who were not Christians were similarly eager and open in their hearts to receive prayer. It seems that the love of Christ shown through the Chaplaincy, volunteers and nurses to them in the Home has made a great impact in their lives.

This reminded me of the Paul's writing in his letter to the Corinthian Church:

*"For we are **the aroma of Christ** to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life"*  
2 Corinthians 2:15-16.

The love and testimony of Christ is so compelling; it is like a sweet-smelling perfume which generates positive responses towards it. People cannot help but be drawn to its beauty. As we live out the example of Christ, we too will attract the people around us to Christ.

Let us be such an aroma to the people around us this week and be God's instruments to reach out to our friends for Jesus!

Blessings,

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
<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) 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](mailto: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](mailto: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



## TELEGRAM

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

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Apple/iOS: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/telegram-messenger/id686449807>

## CHILDREN MINISTRY

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

Enquires: [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 in informing Elaine or Clare before placing any food at the 'Refreshment Corner'.



## KWONG WAI SHIU HOSPITAL @ POTONG PASIR -- VOLUNTEERS

There is an increasing number of elderly residents in KWSH @ Potong Pasir 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.

## KALIMANTAN TRIP: 7 - 10 AUGUST 2024

A trip to Kalimantan has been planned. Members who are interested in joining the trip, please let Allan or Clare know.

\*Please note that there is a **Trip Introduction Briefing:**

**Date** : 21 Jul 2024 (Sun)

**Time** : 9.40-10.20am

**Venue**: Conference Room (Church Office)

## CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest condolences to Yvonne, Chong Wei, Dorcas and Caleb on the demise of their father, father-in-law and grandfather, Mr Steven Teo Koon Yin, who returned to the Lord on 8 July 2024.

Let's continue to keep the family and their loved ones in our prayers.

## SANH (ALJUNIED) VOLUNTEER INFO/BRIEFING SESSION

**Date** : 20 Jul 2024 (Saturday)

**Time** : 10 am – 11.30am

**Venue** : COA, MPH

ALL are welcome!

NO registration needed, please email [admin@ascension.org.sg](mailto:admin@ascension.org.sg) or call the church office at **62833988**.

## ELDER FELLOWSHIP HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

**Date:** Friday, 26 Jul 2024

**Time:** 10.30am - 12.30pm

**Venue:** Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH)

**Sermon:** The Fruit of The Spirit: Kindness

**Speaker:** Ps Edward Zaccheus



Lunch will be provided after Service at LKC Hall.

**Do join us if you are 60 or older. Please contact the Church Office for registration and more information.**



## ALPHA COURSE

# Explore Life, Faith & Meaning

14th July - 15th Sept 2024

Every **Sunday, 12.30pm - 2pm**  
Lunch is provided!

Venue: 1 Francis Thomas Drive,  
#01-06, Singapore 359340

- 14-Jul Is There More To Life Than This?
- 21-Jul Who Is Jesus?
- 28-Jul Why Did Jesus Die?
- 4-Aug How Can I Have Faith?
- 11-Aug Why and How Do I Pray?
- 18-Aug Why and How Should I Read the Bible?
- 25-Aug How Does God Guide Us?
- 31-Aug\* Alpha Weekend – Holy Spirit**
- 8-Sep How Can I Resist Evil
- 15-Sep Why and How Should I Tell Others?

*\*Alpha Weekend will be held on Saturday (31 Aug), 9:30 am – 3 pm*



**SCAN HERE TO  
REGISTER TODAY**

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/  
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Please register your interest via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/COA-Alpha-Reg>  
**Questions? Please contact [alpha@ascension.org.sg](mailto:alpha@ascension.org.sg)**



## COMLINK - STRETCHERCISE

# "STRETCHERCISE"



**DATE: 18 JULY 24 (THURS)**  
**TIME: 9.45 AM TO 11 AM**  
**COST: \$2 PER PERSON**  
**VENUE: LKC HALL, CHURCH OF  
THE ASCENSION**  
**CLOSING DATE: 16 JULY 24**

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

# Fulfilling God's Purposes in Ministry

07/07	<b>Comfort of God in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 1:1-24	Revd Ian Chew
14/07	<b>Fragrance of Christ in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 2:1-17	Ps Edward Zaccheus
21/07	<b>Freedom of Spirit in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 3:1-18	Revd Ian Chew
28/07	<b>Treasure in Jars of Clay in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 4:1-18	Ps Robert Rice
04/08	<b>Compelling Love of Christ in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 5:1-21	Revd Ian Chew
11/08	<b>Danger of Compromise in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 6:1-18	Ps Barnabas Sim
18/08	<b>Repentance of Godly Sorrow in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 7:1-16	Revd Ian Chew
25/08	<b>Proof of Love in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 8:1-24	Ps Edward Zaccheus
01/09	<b>Generosity of Heart in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 9:1-15	Revd Ian Chew
08/09	<b>Seal of Approval in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 10:1-18	Ps Jocelyn Choo
15/09	<b>Marks of Apostleship in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 11:1-33	Revd Ian Chew
22/09	<b>Grace of God for Ministry</b> 2 Cor 12:1-21	Ps Barnabas Sim
29/09	<b>Test of Truth in Ministry</b> 2 Cor 13:1-14	Revd Ian Chew



**MEN**

**WOMEN**

ELDER FELLOWSHIP



*"My grace is sufficient for you,  
for my power is made perfect in weakness."  
2 Cor 12:9*



## BAPTISM CLASS 2024



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<b>14 JULY</b>	<b>SALVATION</b>
<b>21 JULY</b>	<b>APOSTLES' CREED 1</b>
<b>28 JULY</b>	<b>APOSTLES' CREED 2</b>
<b>4 AUGUST</b>	<b>LORD'S PRAYER 1</b>
<b>11 AUGUST</b>	<b>LORD'S PRAYER 2</b>
<b>17 AUGUST</b>	<b>BAPTISM RETREAT</b>
<b>25 AUGUST</b>	<b>BAPTISM SERVICE</b>

**REGISTER WITH THE CHURCH  
OFFICE TODAY!**



Please register your interest via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/coa-baptism-reg>



*Church of the Ascension*

# *Marriage Preparation Course 2024*

*By Revd Ian and Esther Chew*

- 13 Aug      The Divine Love Triangle*
- 20 Aug      God's blueprint for marriage Part I*
- 27 Aug      God's blueprint for marriage Part II*
- 10 Sep      Effective Communication with Each Other*
- 17 Sep      The Art of Disagreement*
- 24 Sep      Managing the Household*

*\*All sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings with a combination of in-person and zoom meetings.*

*"This (marriage) is a great mystery,  
but it is an illustration of the way Christ  
and the church are one."  
Ephesians 5:32*

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

## YOUTH CAMP 2024

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SPEAKER:

**PASTOR  
SAMUEL PHUN**

SENIOR PASTOR  
RIVER COMMUNITY CHURCH



**15-18 DEC** SUN  
-  
WED

**SAVE THE DATES NOW!**

## #PARISHOFTHEWEEK - LIGHT OF CHRIST CHURCH WOODLANDS

We are well into the 2nd season of #ParishoftheWeek! This week, the featured Parish is Light of Christ Church Woodlands (LOCCW) from Area Group 4. Find out more about LOCCW and how you can pray for them via [anglican.org.sg/potw](https://www.anglican.org.sg/potw) or by following the Diocesan Facebook or Instagram page @dioceseofsingapore.

## REGISTRATION FOR GOVERNMENT FUNDED SPECIAL EDUCATION (SPED) SCHOOLS

### Registration for government funded Special Education (SPED) Schools

- **Application for P1** can only be made using MOE's standard online form:
  - <https://www.moe.gov.sg/special-educational-needs/apply>
- **Identify suitable schools** accordingly to the Special Education need profile of your child (detailed information for all SPED schools is in the above website). Parents may apply for up to 3 schools.
- **Various reports, including medical and psychological reports** are required for application.
- **Deadlines vary** between SPED schools (available in the webpage above). Anglican SPED Schools:
  - **St Andrew's Mission School** (for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder with no intellectual impairment) – **no deadline, subject to vacancies.**
  - **St Andrew's Autism School** (for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder with intellectual impairment) – **no deadline, subject to vacancies.**
- **Transfer from current mainstream school:**
  - Through the current school. Direct application to SPED School not permitted by MOE.

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## DIOCESAN APOLOGETICS COURSE

**Topic:** God's Heart for Israel (Exploring Romans 9-11)

This short course delves into the timeless narrative of Israel within God's salvation plan - past, present and future - revealing God's unwavering pursuit of redemption for all humanity.

- Understanding Israel's Past
- Israel's present rejection and Gentile inclusion
- God's unfolding plan for Israel's future
- Fullness of God's purposes

**Speaker:** Revd Gary Ch'ng

**Dates:** 6 - 27 August 2024 (Tuesdays)

**Time:** 7.30 - 9.30 pm Via Zoom

**Cost:** \$12

**Registration:** <https://bit.ly/44l6n6P> (Closes on 1 August)

Interested participants may find out more on the Diocesan website at [www.anglican.org.sg/events](https://www.anglican.org.sg/events)

## Diocesan Apologetics Course

### The Problem of Evil and the Christian Doctrine of Sin

- ▶ Teacher: Dr Andrew Loke
- ▶ Dates: Aug 7, 14, 21, 28, Sept 4, 11, 18 & 25 (Wed)
- ▶ Time: 7.30-9.30 pm Via Zoom Cost: SGD \$20.00
- ▶ To register: <https://bit.ly/3xqqNPL>
- ▶ Questions? Email [lucillateoh.dts@gmail.com](mailto:lucillateoh.dts@gmail.com)

#### Some Topics

- ▶ 1. What is good and evil?
- ▶ 2. The Book of Job and Skeptical Theism
- ▶ 3. How did evil originate in a world created by a perfect God

**Registration closes on 3 Aug 2024.**

Interested participants may find out more on the Diocesan website at [www.anglican.org.sg/events](http://www.anglican.org.sg/events)





*Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers*

## PRAYER FOCUS FOR WEEK: 14 - 20 JUL 2024

### 1) DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE:

#### LIGHT OF CHRIST CHURCH WOODLANDS

Vicar:

English, Chinese, Tamil and Youth Congregation:

Christ Church Secondary School

Grace Light Spring (GLS) Senior Activity Centre and  
Something Old Something New Thrift Shop

Revd William Tham

Clergy, staff and parishioners

Principal, staff and students

Centre Manager, staff,

Champion Court residents,

and volunteers

- 1) God's provision for finances.
- 2) Members across all four congregations to rise up as God-fearing leaders.
- 3) LOCCW will reap a harvest in her School Ministry, Tuition Programme and Anglican Senior Centre Woodlands (GLS).
- 4) More Tuition Mentors for the Tuition Programme.

### 2) SINGAPORE AND THE WORLD:

Singapore: 322 suicides were reported in Singapore in 2023, which is the lowest in more than 20 years. Thank God for the reduction of suicides. However, suicide remains the leading cause of death for the fifth consecutive year amongst young people aged 10-29. Continue to uphold especially the mental wellness of our youths and young adults in prayer.

Gaza: Talks were held in Doha towards a truce and hostage release deal last Thursday. Pray that significant progress will be made towards ceasefire soon.

### 3) PARISH:

- 1) Jul - Sept 24 Sermon Series: Pray for every member to have the desire to fulfill God's purpose in various aspects of ministry.
- 2) Alpha: Pray for many who are interested in Christianity to sign up for the Alpha course which is starting **today**. Pray also for God's Spirit to bless the hosts, helpers and all the participants.
- 3) Youth camp: Pray for many youths to sign up for the camp and Ps Samuel Phun to share God's word powerfully to our youths.

### 4) THE SICK AND SUFFERING:

#### For health and recovery

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

#### For 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  
Lim Cheng Ho (Kim's father) - healing and recovery from surgery on his intestines at NUH.

#### 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 diagnosis  
Zephan Heng - ALP level to drop and no issues with liver or bones.  
Steven Syn - restoration of consciousness and health  
Rosalynn Lim - full recovery from brain tumor operation  
Nancy Chan (Low) - stroke & heart  
Willy Wong - healing from cancer. Starting radiation treatment in Oct. Will be receptive to the treatment.

*"For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing"*  
2 Corinthians 2:15