

SERMON NOTES

STEPPING DOWN TO LIFT OTHERS UP:

THE HEART OF CHRIST IN SERVICE

Scripture: Philippians 2:5-8 • Speaker: Pastor Suhandy Yao

Senior Pastor:
Rev Chua Yeow San

English Congregational Pastor:
Rev John Loke

EC Ministry Worker (Family Ministry):
Sis Jannie Chiu



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UNCHANGING MISSION FOR A CHANGING WORLD

15 December 2024
11:30am



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WELCOME to the English Congregation Worship Service!

(Online Streaming: www.youtube.com/c/gracesccchurch)

Family News

Pastoral Prayer

Worship in Praise

Worship in Offering

Scripture Reading

Sermon:

Speaker • Pastor Suhandy Yao

Stepping Down to Lift Others Up: The Heart of Christ in Service

Philippians 2:5-8

Response Song

Benediction

Silent Meditation

Pastor/ Deacon On Duty • *Rev John Loke*

Worship Leader • *Ruth Wong*

Kindly switch all mobile devices to silent mode during service

OUR COMMUNITY

Children Sunday School	Sunday, 11:30am Onsite
Youth Worship (Secondary) (Tertiary)	Sunday, 9:30am Online/ On-site Online/ On-site on some Sundays to be informed by fellowship mentors
Youth Fellowship (Secondary) (Tertiary)	Sunday, 10:45am Online/ On-site Online/ On-site on some Sundays to be informed by fellowship mentors
Cell Groups	Kindly contact EC pastor
Lunch Fellowship	1st Sunday of each month

Please contact the church office or EC Pastor for more information.

CHURCH NEWS

YOUTH WORSHIP

Title: *Worship the LORD with a sincere heart!*
Text: Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)
Speaker: Ps Andrew Lai
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EVERGREEN COMMUNITY

17 Dec (Tue) | 10:30am-2pm | Rooms 102-5
The Evergreen Community is wrapping up its 2024 programme with a **Christmas celebration lunch** this coming **Tuesday**.

The theme of the celebration is finding **hope** in Christ in a fallen world. Ms Kwa Cheng Choo, executive director of Gospel Mission to the Blind Ltd (who was born blind) will share about how, despite her initial despair over her condition, she found hope in Christ to overcome her challenges and lead a normal life - she could work, marry, raise a family and look after grandchildren. A few individuals will also share about how they also found hope amidst *critical situations*. Rev John will end with a Christmas message.

Do join us this Tuesday morning to have fun together with some ice-breaker games, sing carols, listen to inspiring stories on overcoming adversity and a Christmas message, and then enjoy healthy and delicious home-cooked food for lunch. If possible, please invite your friends (both Christians and non-Christians) along.

For catering purposes, we would like to know how many are coming. If you and any of your friends are coming, please WhatsApp Johnny Pang (91152601) or John Ng (96843916), indicating *your name and number of participants*.
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2024 CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

The Christmas programs of the various congregations are listed below.

• **English Congregation**
22 Dec (Sun) | 11:30am | Sanctuary
Christmas Sunday Service
Speaker: Rev John Loke
Title: The Gift of Hope at Christmas (Luke 2:8-14; Isaiah 9:6-7)

• **Mandarin Congregation**
24 Dec (Tue) | 7-9:20pm | Rooms 102-109
Christmas Gospel Night
Theme: *Finite Life, Infinite Treasure*

The MC Christmas Gospel Program will be held on Christmas Eve. The theme of the event is *“Finite Life, Infinite Treasure”*, which will be presented in the form of Christmas hymns and life stories. We hope that this Gospel Party will give new friends a chance to know more about the Lord Jesus, the most precious treasure in life, and His infinite grace in a peaceful and joyful atmosphere.
Instead of dinner, there will be a special teatime after the program, so we hope you will make good use of it to get to know and communicate with your new friends.
Do invite new friends and scan the QR code below to sign up for yourself and your invited friends by 20 Dec.



MC children's Christmas event will be held the same day at 7-8:30pm (Room 407), with a programme of worship songs, games and stories. Children are welcome to invite friends to attend as well.

For enquiries, please contact Bro Li Li (97298762) or Bro Qi Han (81221582).

22 Dec (Sun) | 8:30am | Sanctuary
Christmas Sunday Service
Speaker: Ps Chan Sook Ching
Title: 再思降临节 (Isaiah 9:1-7)

• **Saturday Worship**
21 Dec (Sat) | 4pm | Sanctuary
Christmas Service
Speaker: Ps Phoebe Wong
Title: 平安在我心 (Luke 2:14, John 14:27)

• **Cantonese Congregation**
21 Dec (Sat) | 6:30pm | HDBs nearby
Christmas Caroling
Please gather in Rooms 106 & 108 for praying, practices and briefing before departing for caroling.

22 Dec (Sun) | 10am | Sanctuary
Christmas Sunday Service
Speaker: Ps Andrew Lai
Title: 真诚的献上 (Matthew 2:7-12)

25 Dec (Wed) | 10:30am | Sanctuary
Christmas Evangelistic Drama
Speaker: Ps Andrew Lai (exhortation)
Light refreshments will be served after the program.

• **Youth Worship**
22 Dec (Sun) | 9:30am | Multi-purpose Hall, Level 5
Christmas Service
Speaker: Ps Hannah
Title: God with us (Matthew 1:18-25)
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GRACE FAMILY MINISTRY
Our Grace Family Ministry is organising a seminar on:
Building up our Family Worship
5 Jan 2025 (Sun) | 10:15am | Rooms 101,

102-6
Speaker: Rev. Joseph Hiow
Registration:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdgiGS_Hb5ggy7cIZYuvzApL9_wLsx65WvSnex2LnY-14gFPw/viewform?usp=sf_link



Registration Deadline: 29 Dec 2024
All are welcome to attend this seminar.
For more information: Rev Joseph Hiow
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YOUTH RETREAT “RE:LIGHT”
will be held from 15-18 Dec 2024 at Church/Changi Seafront Chalet A. Please keep all participants in prayers.
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GRACE ELDERLY WORLD
There will be no activities on 26 Dec (Thu), as many church activities will be held during the Christmas Season. Activities will resume on 2 Jan 2025 (Thu), with 2025 New Year Celebration Lunch. Fee: \$2. Activities will begin from 10:30am - 3:00pm. All elderlies are welcome.
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NEW YEAR THANKSGIVING OFFERING
will be collected in the whole January 2025 during the worship services of the respective congregations. Worshippers may collect the “New Year Thanksgiving Offering” envelope from the Admission Counter at the entrance on Level 1. Should you use PayNow, please indicate “TGE” (EC)/ “TGYW” (YW) at the Reference. Please prepare your hearts to give as an expression of thanksgiving unto God.
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CLOSING OF ACCOUNTS
In view of 2024 drawing to an end, kindly

submit all outstanding claims incurred in November and December 2024 to the Treasurers of the corresponding Congregations latest by 29 Dec 2024 (Sun) to facilitate the closing of accounts.

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MODES OF OFFERING:

- a) **PayNow** (is now available to **ALL** funds)
UEN S61SS0111H or QR code.
Please refer to the Church Website or Mobile App for the bank references.



- b) **Mail crossed cheque to church**
- Envelope with prepaid postage will be available upon request.
 - Please call Finance Executive at 6332 6836.
- c) **Online Banking**
THE GRACE (S'PORE CHINESE CHRISTIAN) CHURCH
DBS Bank A/C No.: **033-022323-4**

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RECRUITMENT NOTICE

- *English Congregation Pastor*
- *Mandarin Congregation Pastor*
- *Mission Pastor*

Please refer to the Church website for details. Interested applicants may email their resumes with any required information to: hr@gsgccc.org.sg

FAMILY NEWS

CONDOLENCES

CC Sis Chan Toh Siew had gone home to the Lord on 6 Dec. The funeral was held on 7 Dec.

MISSION NEWS

Mission Prayer News – Published on 15 December

Please log in to our church website via 'Useful Links' > 'Church Mobile App' to obtain an e-copy of the latest mission prayer news. At the Mobile App screen, please select 'Menu' (bottom right corner) > click into 'Mission' to obtain the most recent mission prayer news. **Note:** For members and regular attendees who have registered with church only.

EC NEWS

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Worship service on 22 Dec is evangelistic in nature. CGs are encouraged to organize gatherings to celebrate and share the blessings of God's redemptive love in Christ Jesus.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

Worshippers seeking to transfer membership to Grace Church in March 2025, kindly approach Rev John Loke for registration. Closing date: 29 Dec 2024.

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OUR FAITHFULNESS (8 December 2024)

On-site attendance (incl. service crew):132
No. of livestream worship units (max): 24
EC Offering (Overall): \$5,155
General Offering (Nov): \$19,879.82
Love Offering (Nov): \$1,110
Mission Fund Offering (Nov): \$10,540
Building Fund (Nov): \$800

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MEETINGS

DB cum CLC Meeting
28 Dec (Sat) | 9:30am | Online

	22 December 2024
Speaker	Rev John Loke
Title & Scripture	<i>The Gift of Hope at Christmas</i> Luke 2:8-14, Isaiah 9:6-7
Pastor On Duty	Rev John Loke
Worship Leader	Dawn Ong