

SERMON NOTES

THE GIFT OF HOPE AT CHRISTMAS

Scripture: Luke 2:8-14, Isaiah 9:6-7 • Speaker: Rev John Loke

Reflection Questions:

1. What is it that makes Biblical hope not a wishful thinking or mere optimism?
2. Knowing that Jesus Christ is our hope, how would that change the way you look at your past, living your life in the present and attitude towards death?

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Rev Chua Yeow San

English Congregational Pastor:
Rev John Loke

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UNCHANGING MISSION FOR A CHANGING WORLD

22 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 • Rev John Loke

The Gift of Hope at Christmas

Luke 2:8-14, Isaiah 9:6-7

Response Song

Benediction

Silent Meditation

Pastor/ Deacon On Duty • *Rev John Loke*

Worship Leader • *Dawn Ong*

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 (Christmas Service)

Title: God with us
Text: Matthew 1:18-25 (NIV)
Speaker: Ps Hannah

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 22 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)

- Cantonese Congregation
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)

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_Hb5gvy7cIZYuvzApL9_wLsx65WvSnex2LnY-14gFPw/viewform?usp=sf_link



Registration Deadline: 29 Dec 2024
All are welcome to attend this seminar.
For more information: Rev Joseph Hiow

EVERGREEN COMMUNITY

will be taking a break for the rest of December. Our next meeting is on 7 Jan 2025 (Tue), with a talk on “Singularity” by Bro Christopher Lim. More details will be announced later.

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.

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 “TGEC” (EC)/ “TGYW” (YW) at the Reference. Please prepare your hearts to give as an expression of thanksgiving unto God.

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.

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

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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

Father of brother Paul Pello was called home to be with the Lord on 15 Dec 2024. The funeral service was held on 19 Dec 2024 in Kupang, Indonesia. Do keep the family in prayer during this time of bereavement.

EC NEWS

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 (15 December 2024)

On-site attendance (incl. service crew):143

No. of livestream worship units (max): 20

EC Offering (Overall): \$9,043

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MEETINGS

DB cum CLC Meeting

28 Dec (Sat) | **9:30am** | Online

IGW	29 December 2024
Speaker	Bro David Leong
Title & Scripture	<i>Strong Families Make Strong Churches</i> Psalm 127:1-5
Pastor On Duty	Rev John Loke
Worship Leader	Casey Mui