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**SAT, 18 FEB
& SUN, 19 FEB 2023**

Saturday services w/ Holy Communion

Heartbeat – 2.30pm* (Shalom Hall & [online](#))

English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary)

Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services w/ Holy Communion

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary),

11.15am* (Christ Sanctuary & [online](#))

Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)

Tamil – 10am (Bethel Auditorium & Chapel)

Indonesian Fellowship – 11am (C205)

Filipino Service – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

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➤ **ORDINARY TIME.**

The vibrant green leaves and young fruit of the fig tree spotlight the liturgical colour for Ordinary Time, which represents life and growth. Fitting, as this period's focus on Jesus' three-year public ministry is a time to concentrate on the maturation of the church as a body of disciples as well as the Body of Christ. Read more on page 4 and on [Facebook](#).

*Live-streamed;
for all other service details, please refer to inside pages

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 18 FEB 2023

2.30pm (Heartbeat) & 5pm (SES)

A New Covenant (Jeremiah 31:31–34; John 14:25–26),
by Ven Daniel Wee

SUN, 19 FEB 2023

8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2)

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The
COVENANT
series

NEW TO SJSM?

Whether you joined our online or onsite service today or found us on the web, we are glad you did! Do let us know if you would like more information or prayer, or just give us some feedback by submitting a simple form by clicking/scanning the QR code on the right. Thank you!



TEEN ENCOUNTER (ages 11–13)

Sat – 5pm (SES),

Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2):

@ L4 rooms

Email richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg
for enquiries or to join.

JUNIOR CHURCH (ages 3–10)

Sat – 5pm (SES)

@ Agape Hall

Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2)

- (Primary) ages 7–10
@ Agape Hall
- (Preschool: Kindy) ages 5–6
@ Charis Room
- (Preschool: Nursery) ages 3–4
@ Chara Room

Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg
for enquiries or to join.

are you in need of

PASTORAL CARE and/or COUNSELLING?

Prayer for healing, and other forms of
pastoral care are available.

1. Call 6777 0934, or
2. Email pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg

If you are **homebound** and require
Holy Communion, please fill in a form
by scanning the QR code below or
visiting <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3>



CATCH IT AGAIN

Combined Bilingual CNY Service

<https://vimeo.com/789010573>

Combined NYD Service

<https://vimeo.com/784190205>

Covenant Series

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10148673>

All/Other services

<https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch>

HEARTBEAT services

<https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr>

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Wed, 22 Feb

- 8pm **Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanc)
Tamil Ash Wednesday Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)

Thu, 23 Feb

- 6.45pm **Biblical Parenting Course (BPC)** (Onsite @ Agape Hall)

Sat, 25 Feb

- Marriage Preparation Course (3/7)**
(Time/Venue to be arranged between facilitator/mentee couples)
- 2.30pm **Heartbeat Svc** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on [YouTube](#).
 Email heartbeat@sjsm.org.sg for more info)
- 4.15pm **Missions Short Course (4/8)** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall)
- 5pm **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)
- Junior Church & Teen Encounter**
 (Onsite @ Agape Hall & L4 rooms. Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg or
richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)
- Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary.
 Email sjmc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

Sun, 26 Feb

- 8.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)
- Junior Church & Teen Encounter** (Onsite @ Chara Room,
 Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms. Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg or
richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)
- 10am **Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;
 email sjmc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)
- Tamil Svc** (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium.
 Email solomon@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)
- 11am **Indonesian Fellowship** (Onsite @ C205.
 Email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg for for info or to join)
- 11.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary; live-streamed via
sjsm.online.church, [SJSM Facebook](#), and www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html).
- Junior Church & Teen Encounter** (Onsite @ Chara Room,
 Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms. Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg or
richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)
- 1.15pm **Post-E2 Fellowship Lunch** (Onsite @ Community Hall;
 meal vouchers required for bento collection)
- 1.30pm **Filipino Svc** (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium.
 Email juanita@sjsm.org.sg for more information)
- 2pm **Faith Foundations (I) (4/4)** (Onsite @ B405)

Misc. details

Sermons

ASH WEDNESDAY

Speaker: Revd Dr Tan Soo-Inn

SAT & SUN

Speaker:
 Revd Calvin Tan

Cell Groups

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Join a cell group! For more information, write to cell@sjsm.org.sg

Youth Ministry

Comprises Teen Encounter (ages 11–13) and Heartbeat (ages 14–20). To find out more, email richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg

Alpha Course

Where anyone can feel free to ask questions and explore the Christian faith. Find out more at www.sjsm.org.sg/alphacourse.html.

Join a Ministry

Volunteer with us in serving the larger church community! Find out more about the opportunities available [here](#) (or scan the QR code below).



NOTICES

ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Date: Wed, 22 Feb 2023

Time/Venue: 8pm @ Christ Sanctuary

Speaker: Revd Dr Tan Soo-Inn

Sermon title: More Than Dust and Ashes (Genesis 3:1–19; Luke 4:1–15)

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL 2023 –

Living the Same Faith in the New Normal

A limited number of hardcopies of the Bible Society of Singapore's Lenten devotional will be made available after the Ash Wednesday Service on 22 Feb. Softcopies are available at S\$3.15 each (excluding GST) from the Bible Society website, at <https://payhip.com/b/3cw6f>.

CENTRALISED CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING

Let's come together to continue praying for sustained revival in SJSM!

Date/Time: Fri, 24 Feb 2023 @ 7.45pm

Venue: Christ Sanctuary

Theme: Keep the Fire Burning

Do stay on for fellowship over some light refreshments after the service!

ANNUAL LEADERS' COMMISSIONING: 25/26 Feb

We are grateful for the leaders God has raised in our midst, who have willingly stepped forward to take on cell and/or ministry leadership responsibilities in SJSM. Let us support them in prayer as they are commissioned at SES, E1 and E2 next weekend, 25/26 Feb 2023.

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD RETREAT (HVGR)

Returning to Jesus, our First Love, requires hearing His voice. Set aside this weekend for a fresh encounter with Him, and gain new insights in learning to listen to our Good Shepherd.

Dates: Fri–Sun, 5–7 May 2023

Venue: Forest Golf Hotel, Johor Bahru, Malaysia

Speaker: Brenda Goh

Registration opens on **Sat, 25 Feb**. Limited places are available (first-come, first-served), so get ready!

INTERESTED IN STARTING A GROUND-UP INITIATIVE?

Do you have ideas on how to improve or bless our community that's not already being covered by any of our ministries? We would love to meet you and help you get started.

Drop Ms Chua Kim Yien (kimyien@sjsm.org.sg) a line to get the conversation going!

ORDINARY TIME.

The fig tree (whether *Ficus sycomorus* or *Ficus carica*) is one of the most commonly mentioned plants in scripture, being a metaphor for: peace, safety, and provision; Israel and her spiritual condition; the future Messianic state. Ordinary Time, whose liturgical colour is green, is a time for the church to take stock, (re)order herself, practice intentional discipleship, and allow the Word and the Spirit to permeate and influence our thoughts, responses, and decisions. Let us realign ourselves with the Lord and work towards Christian maturity together.



MY Story. HIS Story

Every person has a story and every story matters to God. Testimonies of God's miraculous power to change lives and situations are available for you to share at www.sjsm.org.sg/stories.

If you would like to share your story, do email it to testimonies@sjsm.org.sg.

CONNECT WITH US

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Write to info@sjsm.org.sg to furnish us with relevant details.

MARRIAGE/WEDDINGS

Planning to get married?
Write to the Family Life Ministry at flm@sjsm.org.sg.

BEREAVEMENT

Please get in touch so that we can support you. Contact your cell leader, cell pastor, Zone Pastor, or the Church Office via 6777 0934 or pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg.

GIVING

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Via Bank Transfer

Name of Bank Account:

St John's - St Margaret's
Church

Account Number:

360-303-092-1

Branch Code: 030

Bank Code: 7375

Bank Name: UOB

Via PayNow



Via cash and cheques

Cheques and cash may be placed directly in the offering box at the exits. Member's stewardship number accompanying tithes is no longer required.

STAFF RECRUITMENT NEEDS

1. Pastoral Staff (Youth)
2. Ministry Staff (Youth)
3. Ministry Staff (Junior Church)
4. Ministry Staff (Family Life Ministry)
5. Zone Pastor – Pastoral Connexion

To apply, visit www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment for details.

INVITATION TO CONTRIBUTE SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS

Every Sunday over the past six months, around 200 of us have been enjoying fellowship over refreshments at the Community Hall after E1. So here's a very big THANK YOU to everyone who has been sponsoring us with food and finances! We hope you'll continue to give us your support. If you haven't yet contributed, come and be a part of this shared hospitality effort! You can sign up as a family, partner with friends, or mobilise your cell. Get in touch with Chwee Ling at 9623 0415 or chweeling@hotmail.com for details and to find out what works for you.

SJSM GIRLS' BRIGADE (GB) SPONSORSHIP UPDATE

From Fri, 31 Mar 2023, SJSM will no longer be the sponsoring church for the GB 80th Company at West Grove Primary School. SJSM is continuing as the sponsor for the GB 14th Company and the Boys' Brigade (BB) 24J Company at Fuhua Primary School.

The BB and GB mission is to develop youths to their fullest potential and to nurture servant leaders based on Christian values.

PRAYSINGAPORE UNTIL!

Date/Time: Thu, 9 Mar 2023 @ 12pm–1pm

This LoveSingapore initiative sees at least 1 local church praying over Singapore for at least 1 hour, every day, covering her in prayer 24/7. Join us in standing in the gap for our nation through persistent, practical prayers.

Join us on Zoom (room opens at 11.55am)

Meeting ID: 883 7934 9862 | **Passcode:** 916290

Get info/Join us via www.sjsm.org.sg/praysg.html.

OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...

- Olivia Wong and family. Olivia's beloved mother, Mdm Lau Wai Han, was called home to the Lord on Sat, 11 Feb 2023.

TITHES & OFFERINGS* (updated monthly)

	Actual (S\$)	Budgeted (S\$)
January 2023	653,989	To be approved at AGM

PRAYER @ SJSM

SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 72; Exodus 34:29–end; 2 Corinthians 4:3–6

COLLECT: Merciful Lord, grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace: that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **Lent (22 Feb–6 Apr).** Pray for an outpouring of God's grace upon SJSM to usher us into this season of meditative journeying towards Calvary. May His truth guide our spiritual stocktaking and bring us into genuine repentance that creates a deep hunger for personal revival. Pray for SJSM to emerge from Lent spiritually renewed, experiencing the new life in Christ. (Acts 3:19; Ro 6:4).
- **Leaders' Commissioning (25/26 Feb).** Give thanks for all who have willingly stepped forward to take on ministry leadership responsibilities. May they continue to learn the ways of Jesus, our Servant Leader, and be fruitful in nurturing their flock and raising servant leaders after them. May the Lord help them to keep spiritual discipline, so that they may walk in response to the Spirit's promptings, and serve with joy from the place of rest. (Jn 15:1–5; Ps 28:7)
- **Alpha.** Pray for our Alpha guests to enjoy every Alpha session and to attend regularly. May every discovery of a truth about God increase their desire to know more of Him. Pray for the Alpha host teams to experience God at work through them as they serve with dependency on Him. (Jn 5:19; Acts 26:17b–18)

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **SJSM Nursing Home (NH).** (a) Pray for good team spirit amongst the NH staff, and that they may enjoy doing their best to serve the residents well. (b) Pray for wisdom to guide the development and implementation of programmes for facilitating intergenerational interaction between the NH residents and the Little Seeds Preschool children. May joyful interactions bring warmth to the lonely residents, and the youngsters grow to be empathetic and respectful towards the elderly. (Ps 71:18; Lev 19:32)

OUR NATION

Government. Pray for the ongoing Parliamentary proceedings. May all Members of Parliament serve with integrity, seeking the nation's welfare above party politics. Pray for clear and respectful presentations, and wisdom in complex decision-making processes. May the Lord bless this nation to be a blessing to the world. (1 Ti 2:1–2; Pr 14:34; Ps 127:1)

THE WORLD

Turkey & Syria. Pray for God's merciful hand over the rescue, recovery, and rebuilding efforts following the recent earthquakes. Pray for believers involved in crisis relief to serve with wisdom, strength, and compassion. May God open the eyes of the afflicted multitudes that they may enter the Kingdom of light, the kingdom that shall not be destroyed. (Dan 7:14)

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER (FEB 2023)

Download the file at www.anglican.org.sg.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

To join an intercession group, write to prayer@sjsm.org.sg.

CONFIRMATION COURSE



Classes

19 & 26 Mar, 16 & 30 Apr
2–4pm @ B404/B405

Retreat

Sat, 6 May (onsite)

Confirmation Service

Sun, 28 May

Note: This course is essential for baptised Christians who wish to be Confirmed in the Anglican Church.

Scan the QR code to sign up by Sun, 5 Mar.

Need more information?

• Email ce@sjsm.org.sg

• Visit www.sjsm.org.sg/courses



ASH WEDNESDAY Holy Communion Service

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8pm @ Christ Sanctuary

More Than Dust and Ashes
(Gen 3:1-19; Luke 4:1-15)
Speaker: Revd Dr Tan Soo-Inn

Come, let us gather as a church family and enter the season of Lent together.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Lent is the 40-day liturgical season of fasting and penitence that leads up to Holy Week and Resurrection Sunday.

It calls to mind Christ's 40-day fast and temptation in the wilderness.

SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS @ COMMUNITY HALL

Many thanks to all our existing helpers and sponsors!



Come share in the hospitality effort, as an individual, a family, or a cell! Get in touch with Chwee Ling to find out how you can help.

WhatsApp: 9623 0415
Email: chweeling@hotmail.com

CENTRALISED CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING

Fri, 24 Feb 2023
7.45pm @ Christ Sanctuary

Theme:

Keep the Fire Burning

"Whenever God determines to do a great work, He first sets His people to pray."

– C. Spurgeon

So let's gather and keep the fire burning!



Bishop of Singapore
Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Assistant Bishop
Rt Revd Low Jee King

Archdeacon of Singapore
Ven Daniel Wee

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*Ven Daniel Wee (Acting Vicar),
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Revd Vincent Hoon, Ms Chung Lai Mei,
Mr Simon Devaraj, Mr Patrick Lai,
Mr Choo Kok Weng,
Ds Laura Chan*

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