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▶ ORDINARY TIME.

Running from 29 May through 2 Dec in 2023, this season focuses on the life of the people of God, and is a time to focus on spiritual growth and maturation. No surprise, then, that its liturgical colour, green, speaks of growth. The immature green wheat and tares (see Matthew 13) above remind us to prioritise developing knowledge and discernment in our individual Christian walks.

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

SAT, 09 SEP & SUN, 10 SEP 2023

Saturday services

English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary) Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary), 11.15am* (Christ Sanctuary & <u>online</u>) Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary) Tamil – 10am (Bethel Auditorium & Chapel) Indonesian Fellowship – 11am (C205) Filipino – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

> Junior Church & Teen Encounter Details on pages 2–3

WELCOME TO SJSM

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 09 SEP 2023

5pm (SES) Fervent Prayer (James 5:17), by Dr Benny Prasad

SUN, 10 SEP 2023 8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2) Fervent Prayer (James 5:17), by Dr Benny Prasad

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): @14 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.

CATCH IT AGAIN

Nehemiah series

https://vimeo.com/showcase/10514278 1 Corinthians: Oneness series https://vimeo.com/showcase/10457716

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 OR code below or visiting https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3

13 Aug '23 Baptism Service https://vimeo.com/852029829 **All/Other services** https://vimeo.com/channels/sismchurch **HEARTBEAT** services https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr





Click to find out about

Dr Benny Prasad

and his wife

Zanbeni's counselling cafe,

Chai 3:16



SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<u>Wed, 13 Sep</u>

7.30pm **PSW Donor Appreciation Dinner** (Onsite @ Community Hall)

<u>Thu, 14 Sep</u>

- 12pm LoveSingapore prayer (Online via Zoom)
- 7.30pm Biblical Parenting Course (Onsite @ Office Conference Room, L4)

8pm Healing Svc (Onsite @ Chapel; email <u>thssjsm@gmail.com</u> for more info)

<u>Fri–Sun, 15–17 Sep</u>

Men's Breakthrough Weekend (Forest City Marina Hotel, Johor)

<u>Sat, 16 Sep</u>

2.30pm	Heartbeat Svc (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on YouTube.
	Email <u>heartbeat@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more info)

5pm English Svc (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter (Onsite @ Agape Hall & L4 rooms)

Mandarin Svc (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary; email <u>sjsmc@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)

6.45pm Fellowship Dinner (Onsite @ Community Hall)

<u>Sun, 17 Sep</u>

- 8.15am English Svc (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary) Junior Church & Teen Encounter (Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms)
- 10am Mandarin Svc (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary; email <u>sismc@sism.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)

Tamil Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium; email <u>solomon@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)

- 11am Indonesian Fellowship (Onsite @ C205; email <u>sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)
- 11.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary; live-streamed via sjsm.online.church, SJSM Facebook, and <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html</u>)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter (Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms)

1.30pm Filipino Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium; email juanita@sjsm.org.sg for more information)

2pm Confirmation Course (3/4) (Onsite @ B404)

Misc. details

Sermons

<u>HEARTBEAT</u>

Spiritual Renewal (Nehemiah 8), by Revd Calvin Tan

<u>SES, E1 & E2</u> Spiritual Renewal (Nehemiah 8), by Ven Wong Tak Meng

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 <u>richardkwan@sjsm.</u> org.sg.

Alpha Course

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

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

FAITH FOUNDATIONS (I)

Come explore the key foundations of the Christian faith! This course is a pre-requisite for those seeking baptism in SJSM. This course is open to Christians aged 14 and above.

Dates/Time: 15, 22, 29 Oct & 05 Nov @ 2pm-4pm

Venue: Conference Room B405

Please sign up by Sun, 1 Oct at <u>http://chms.sjsm.org.sg/</u> equipping/registration/54/public.

For enquiries, write to <u>ce@sjsm.org.sg</u>.

DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (DTS)

This module aims to clarify and inform all who want to know how to discern what is the Truth and the Life.

Topic: The Christian and The Last Things **Dates:** 12 Sep-31 Oct (8 Tuesdays)

Time/Platform: 7.30–9pm via Zoom

A course fee of \$20 applies. Get details and /or register at <u>https://bit.ly/47ffwyG</u>.

DCBS ONLINE: TERM 4 OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

DCBS aims to bring Bible literacy to participants, helping them to know and apply God's Word to life. Module 4A (1 & 2 Kings, Isaiah) and Module 10 (Romans & Galatians) will both begin on Thu, 14 Sep.

Visit <u>https://sph.org.sg/school-of-biblical-studies/</u> for information and to register (note that a registration fee of \$10/participant applies).

DOVER CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS 2023 (DCC23)

This year sees the return of our large-scale community Christmas celebration, Dover Celebrates Christmas! Happening on **Sat**, **23 Dec**, DCC23 comprises:

- An Amazing Race in Dover
- A Christmas Carnival
- Parties for seniors and children
- Concerts by the <u>Watoto Children's Choir</u>

...all happening right here in SJSM Village. Mark your calendars, and invite your family members and friends to join in the Fun, Food, and Festivity!

CFDC CHURCH CAMP 2023

Our Chinese congregation's church camp is is open to all SJSMers who are keen to attend.

Dates: Sun–Wed, 3–6 Dec Theme: Restored and Ready to Go Speaker: Revd Luke Ting Ding Ing

Registration closes on **Sun, 1 Oct**. If you have enquiries or would like to attend, please contact brother Terence at 9855 8557 in advance of that date.

Join our <mark>Telegram</mark> Channel!

For our Telegram channel, scan the QR code and tap 'Join'.

https://t.me/SJSMChurch





For our Instagram channel, scan the QR code for our profile and click 'Follow'.



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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 into the offering boxes at the exits. Tithing does not require an accompanying member's stewardship number.

STAFF RECRUITMENT NEEDS

- 1. Technical Resource Officer (Music Ministry)
- 2. Team Lead, Admin & Events Mgt (Church Ops)
- 3. Administrator, Admin & Events Mgt (Church Ops)
- 4. Administrator (Spiritual Formation)

5. Group Administrator, Church Operations

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

IS THERE A PASTORAL CALLING ON YOUR LIFE?

Are you considering serving as a pastoral staff in SJSM? Opportunities are available in various areas such as Worship, Family Life, NextGen (Youth, Young Adults, Junior Church), Zone Pastors, and in Outreach and Missions. Those interested to explore these and other possibilities are welcome to speak to any of our pastors or drop Revd Victor Teo an email at <u>vicar@sjsm.org.sg</u>.

YOUTH CAMP 2023 – Registration Open

Heartbeat will be at Majodi Campsite, Johor from 15–18 Dec, and if you're between 14 and 20, you don't want to miss it! The Early Bird offer ends on Sun, 24 Sep, so hurry!

Register at <u>https://qr.codes/hc1R3m</u> today. if you need more details, download the camp Infopack at <u>https://qr.link/DAnreo</u>.

HEALTHTOUCH MEDICAL & KIDS' MINISTRY MISSION

We're looking for about 15 adults and 10 youth to answer this call to serve in Timor Leste from **19–26 Nov 2023**.

For more information or to join the team, drop us an line at <u>sjsm.healthtouch@gmail.com</u> (placement is on a first-come, first-served basis).

FELLOWSHIP MEAL – Sat, 16 Sep 2023

Join us for **dinner after SES**! \$7 gets you a bento, drinks, and dessert. Bringing a guest? Their meal voucher is on the house! **WhatsApp Esther at 9785 5414** to confirm attendance and arrange payment **by Sun, 10 Sep**.

TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)			
	Jan–Aug 2023 (\$)	Aug 2023 (\$)	
General Fund (Budgeted collections)	5,337,285	667,161	
General Fund (Actual collections)	5,121,252	586,240	
Excess / (Shortfall)	(216,033)	(80,921)	

PRAYER @ SJSM

14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 119:17–32; Jonah 3:10–4:11; Revelation 8:1–5

COLLECT: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in Your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to His just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- <u>Leadership</u>. Continue to pray for the Lord's guidance in the ongoing process of envisioning and strategising for SJSM. Pray for a fear of God that will allow His way of rebuilding SJSM to prevail over human aspirations. (Pr 9:10; 19:21)
- Teachers' Day (11 Sep school holiday/observance). Give thanks for all the teachers in our midst. May Jesus, our Great Teacher, bless them with joyous passion for nurturing young lives. May He grant them strength to persevere under tremendous work pressure, and the wisdom to maintain a healthy balance between work, social, and family life. May their dedication inspire their students to aspire noble pursuits. (Pr 22:6; Mt 5:16)
- <u>Men's Breakthrough Weekend (15–17 Sep).</u> Pray for the participants to experience the power of God's love that heals and restores, that they may walk in the centre of His will. Pray for edifying friendships amongst them, stirring one another on to learn authenticity before God and to grow in spiritual maturity, ministry, and mission. (Ps 139:23–24)

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

• <u>Dover Community Birthday Parties</u>. Pray for many Doverites to join the series of monthly birthday parties that SJSM is organizing for the Dover children (culminating in a Birthday Party for Jesus during Dover Celebrates Christmas). May great joy from celebrating life and relationships open hearts to experience God in our midst (Jn 10:16). Pray for strengthening of bonds amongst SJSMers as they work together to bring God's love to the community (Heb 10:24; Gal 6:9)

OUR NATION

• <u>President-Elect Tharman.</u> May God bless our new President to be a blessing to Singapore. May his presidency set an excellent and God-pleasing model for those who aspire to serve in high offices in our government. May he remain humble, and be discerning in seeking wise counsel from advisors (Pr 1:5 ; 8:15–16). May he exude eminence and wisdom that will help advance honourable causes on the world stage through his diplomatic functions.

THE WORLD

Myanmar. Pray for the peace of this nation that has been ravaged by military atrocities following the junta seizing power in 2021. Pray for: (a) God to move activities to bring about the installation of a righteous and compassionate government (Dan 2:21); (b) God to remove hindrances to the delivery of humanitarian aid to the millions in Myanmar who are now at risk; (c) relief to reach the Rohingya refugees who are attempting a perilous sea journey to escape persecution and overcrowded refugee camps: (d) divine protection, wisdom, and grace for the missionaries and local believers, that despite persecution and turmoil, the Gospel may reach many (Mk 16:18).

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Download the latest file at <u>www.anglican.org.sg</u>.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY To join an intercession group, write to <u>prayer@sjsm.org.sg</u>.

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS



SJSM's timeslot: 12pm-1pm (admission starts 11.55am), every 2nd Thursday monthly until further notice ► Thursday, 14 September ◄

ZOOM DETAILS Meeting ID: 883 7934 9862 Passcode: 916290

Scan the QR code or visit the link below for details.



This LoveSingapore initiative sees at least 1 local church praying for our nation for at least 1 hour, every day. SJSM is committed to standing in the gap for our nation at such a time as this. Join us in loving Singapore through persistent, practical prayers!

www.sjsm.org.sg/prayer-intercession

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Questions? Email ce@sjsm.org.sg.



Sermon on the Mount:

Kingdom Values for the 21st Century

Course Instructor: Revd Peter Chen 3-31 Oct (5 Tuesdays) • 7.45pm-9:45pm @ Bethel Auditorum

The course will examine the purpose of Jesus' teachings and the relevance of His moral expectations in this time and age, the secret of Christian joy, etc.

Registration closes on **Sun, 24 Sep**. Scan the QR code to sign up!





BEHOLDING HIS FRI, 22 SEP 7.45PM © CHRIST SANCTUARY

Church Prayer Gathering with Awaken Generation

A NIGHT OF WORSHIP & PRAYER IN THE THRONE ROOM OF GOD Bishop of Singapore Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Assistant Bishop Rt Revd Low Jee King

Archdeacon of Singapore Ven Daniel Wee

> Vicar Revd Victor Teo

Clergy Ven Wong Tak Meng Revd Dino Thangamany Revd Thong Tang Hiong Revd Solomon Periyanayakam Revd Calvin Tan Revd Vincent Hoon (auxiliary)

Deaconesses Ds Bessie Lee Ds Laura Chan (auxiliary)



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