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SAT, 23 SEP & SUN, 24 SEP 2023

Saturday services

Heartbeat – 2.30pm* (Shalom Hall & <u>online</u>) 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

▶ 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

WELCOME TO SJSM

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 23 SEP 2023

2.30pm (Heartbeat) Faithful to the End (Nehemiah 13), by Mr Richard Kwan **5pm (SES)** Faithful to the End (Nehemiah 13:1–22), by Revd Victor Teo

SUN, 24 SEP 2023

8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2) Faithful to the End (Nehemiah 13:1–22), by Revd Victor Teo

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

The

NEHEMIAH series

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 <u>https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3</u>

09/10 Sep '23 Dr Benny Prasad https://vimeo.com/860567347 All/Other services https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch HEARTBEAT services

https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr





SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<u>Thu, 28 Sep</u>

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

Sat, 30 Sep

- 12.30pm Confirmation Retreat (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)
- 2.30pm **Heartbeat Svc** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on <u>YouTube</u>. Email <u>heartbeat@sjsm.org.sq</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)

Sun, 01 Oct

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 sjsmc@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 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)

Misc. details

Sermons

HEARTBEAT

Values of the House: Honour, by Revd Calvin Tan

<u>SES, E1 & E2</u> Intimacy with God – He Calls Us Friends (Exodus 33:7–23; John 15:12–17), by Mr Stanley Tay

Cell Groups

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

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>.

2023 PULPIT SERIES

<u>BOOK STUDY</u> Nehemiah ~ Rebuilding Together Sat. July 8 – Sun. September 24

NOTICES

ALL AGES WORSHIP NEXT WEEKEND – 30 Sep/01 Oct

Parents, please note that Junior Church (Primary) and Teen Encounter (ages 7–13) will join us in Christ Sanctuary for praise and worship before being dismissed to their classes.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CE) COURSE – SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Dates: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Oct 2023 (5 Tuesdays) Time: 7.45pm–9.45pm Venue: Bethel Auditorium Instructor: Revd Peter Chen

Sign up **by Sun, 24 Sep** at <u>http://chms.sjsm.org.sg/</u> equipping/registration/50/public. Details are available at https://www.sjsm.org.sg/pdfs/CE2023_SoM.pdf.

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

FAITH FOUNDATIONS (I)

Come explore the key foundations of the Christian faith! This course is a pre-requisite for those seeking baptism in SJSM, and 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>.

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.

Get ready to dive in and be involved, as sign-ups for the various stalls and other activities will start in October. Mark your calendars, and invite your family members and friends to join in the Fun, Food, and Festivity!

WANTED: BOOKS FOR COMMUNITY KIDS

If you have new or pre-loved books suitable for kids aged 3–10, consider donating them to some of the children in our community. These will be distributed on Sat, 7 Oct. Please package them neatly in sealed plastic bags or shrink wrap, and drop them off in the box outside Agape Hall on 23/24 Sep and 30 Sep/01 Oct. Be a blessing, out of love: All contributions should be clean and in good condition – unsuitable ones will be discarded.

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'.



NOTICES

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 our vicar, Revd Victor Teo, an email at <u>vicar@sjsm.org.sg</u>.

SENIORS' FELLOWSHIP

Building a community for the elderly to edify one another. Date/Time: Thu, 5 Oct @ 2pm Venue: Bethel Auditorium

If you have queries or need more information, get in touch with Michelle at *mich@sjsm.org.sg*.

DIOCESAN EDUCATION MONTH: ANGLICAN PRESCHOOL SERVICES (APS)

APS was established to be a bridge between the church and community, through quality, values-based preschool education. To date, it operates 18 Christian preschools, sowing seeds and transforming lives. You can **support APS** by (a) enrolling your child in an APS preschool; (b) signing up as a staff or volunteer; (c) praying for APS; and (d) giving financially.

Responding to the nationwide childcare demand, APS is currently converting its kindergartens into childcare centres, and \$3M needs to be raised to complete this massive two-year project. Your contribution matters!

Find out more at <u>https://www.anglicanps.edu.sg/hello</u>. The PayNow QR codes for both the General Fund and the Seeds of Hope Fund (financial support for children from needy families) are available on <u>page 7</u>.

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

16[™] SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 119:153–end; Isaiah 45:9–22; Revelation 14:1–5 *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 in us all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- <u>Leadership</u>. Uphold Revd Victor in prayer as he continues to seek God for clarity of His vision, direction, and strategies for SJSM (Is 11:2–3). May every challenge invigorate the staff team and all lay leaders with a fervent spirit of prayer and intercession that is anchored in an unwavering trust in the Lord's faithfulness. Pray for the upcoming Staff Planning and Calendaring exercises in October to align with God's will.
- <u>Hosting God's Presence</u>. May we be increasingly sensitive to the Holy Spirit and spontaneous in responding to His impulses. May God teach us to host His Presence at all our corporate gatherings, including worship services. Pray for vibrant and Spirit-filled services, where anointed preaching creates in us a deep hunger to experience the power of His Word in our lives. (1 Jn 3:18)
- <u>Alpha.</u> Pray for (a) the Spirit to continue to do a deep work in the Alpha guests, bearing fruits of intimate relationship with Christ; (b) all Alpha guests to settle well into the cells for nurturing; (c) the Lord to bless the host teams with wisdom, strength, and the joy of fruitfulness (Jn 4:36).

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

• <u>Shepherding Dover</u>. Ask Jesus to guide SJSM in the ongoing shepherding of the Dover community, tending to the needy, and reconciling the community to the Great Shepherd. Pray for the planning, organising, mobilising, and running of Dover Celebrates Christmas in December and the various befriending initiatives running up to the event. May Dover respond to the Lord's invitation to experience life in SJSM Village and to taste of His goodness. (Jn 10:16)

OUR NATION

• <u>Next Gen.</u> Pray for churches to catch the urgency to win and disciple the next generation, and to learn effective ways of relating to them and impacting them with His love. May God ignite a spiritual awakening amongst our young people. May He raise up leaders and revivalists amongst them (Acts 13:2) who will be radically obedient to His call to fulfil His purposes and lead their generation to contend for His Kingdom.

THE WORLD

Catastrophes. Pray for God's merciful restraint over the recent spate of natural disasters (floods, wild fires, earthquakes, cyclones, etc.). Pray for all the rescue, recovery, resettlement, and rebuilding efforts. May the nations be awakened by the existential climate crisis to turn to God for the forgiveness of sins and the miraculous healing of creation. Pray for revival and purification of the Church, that she may understand the times and know what she should do to reach a world in need of Christ. (1 Ch 12:32; Mt 24:14)

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 prayer@sjsm.org.sg.

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS

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!

ENRO



Youth Camp 2023

DWELLING PLACE

15-18 Dec @ Majodi Campsite





Sign up now!

Note: Early Bird offer ends Sun, 24 Sep

Need more info?

Scan to download the Camp Infopack!



men4men

UNITE

Fri, 6 Oct • 7.30pm @ Bethel Auditorium

Towards deeper fellowship, freedom, and victory vision • roadmap • unity Bring a brother with you!

Scan the QR code to register! Or you can visit www.sjsm.org.sg/men4men

Questions? Contact Paul Lee (9819 7275)







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