



> ORDINARY TIME.

Running from 27 May through 30 Nov in 2024, this season focuses on the life of the people of God, and is a time to focus on spiritual growth and maturation. Naturally, its liturgical colour, green, speaks of growth. As a reminder to prioritise developing and growing our inner man, the oak tree graces our cover during this period.

Heartbeat - 2.30pm * (Shalom Hall & online) English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary) Mandarin - 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary), 10.45am* (Christ Sanctuary & online) Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary) Indonesian Fellowship – 10.45am (B402) Tamil - 10am (Bethel Auditorium) Filipino – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

details on next page

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 16 NOVEMBER 2024

2.30pm (Heartbeat) Jesus and the Samaritan Woman: (Jn 4:4-26) (by Revd Dr Jeremy Joe

5pm (SES) The Mission Continues (Acts 28:17-31; Matt 28:16-20) by Revd Victor Teo

SUN, 17 NOVEMBER 2024

8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2) The Mission Continues (Acts 28:17-31; Matt 28:16-2) 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!





The following are the usual classes for children. Variations will be announced in the bulletin and through the teachers

TEEN ENCOUNTER

(ages 11–13) SES) @ B405

Sat, 5pm (SES) @ B405 Sun, 8.15am (E1) @ B405 Sun, 10.45am (E2) @ B405

Email richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg for enquiries.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Sat – 5pm (SES)
Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Charis
Preschool (3-6 yrs) @ Chara
Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)
Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Agape Hall
Preschool: Kindy (5–6 yrs) @ Charis
Preschool: Nursery (3–4 yrs) @ Chara
Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sq for enquiries.

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 <u>pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg</u> or <u>counselling@sjsm.org.sg</u>

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

Church Camp 2024

https://www.sjsm.org.sg/camp.html

A Study on Hospitality in Luke https://vimeo.com/showcase/10908415

A Study on Hospitality in Acts

https://vimeo.com/showcase/11070356

All/Other services

https://vimeo.com/channels/sismchurch

HEARTBEAT services

https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Thu, 21 November

2.00pm **Seniors' Fellowship** (Bethel Auditorium; email mich@sjsm.org.sq

for more information or to join)

8.00pm Thursday Healing Service (Chapel)

Fri, 22 November

7.45pm Church Prayer Gathering (Christ Sanctuary)

Sat, 23 November

2.30pm Heartbeat Service (Shalom Hall) (Email heartbeat@sjsm.orq.sq for

more information or to join).

5.00pm **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary)

Mandarin Svc (Glory Sanctuary; email sismc@sism.org.sq for more

information or to join)

Sun, 24 November

8.15am **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary)

10.00am **Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;

email <u>sismc@sism.org.sq</u> for more information or to join)

Tamil Svc (Bethel Auditorium;

email <u>solomon@sjsm.orq.sq</u> for more information or to join)

10.45am **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary;

live-streamed via SJSM Facebook, https://vimeo.com/event/741245, and

www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html)

Indonesian Fellowship (B402;

email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sq for more information or to join)

1.30pm **Filipino Service** (Bethel Auditorium;

email <u>juanita@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more information)

Misc. details
Sermons

<u>Heartbeat</u>

Evangelism by Ms Jana Koh

SES, E1 & E2

Art, Faith & Life (Ps 27; Phil 4:8-9) by Earnest & Ming

Li Lau

Cell Groups

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Scan/Tap/Click the QR code below to join a cell group!



Questions? Write to us at <u>cell@sjsm.org.sg</u>



NOTICES .

SENIORS' FELLOWSHIP: THU, 21 NOV, 2PM (BETHEL)

This will be the last gathering for 2024 so do come! We will resume in 2025 and continue building a community for the elderly (and any others fond of the them) to edify one another. All are welcome! If you have queries or need more information, get in touch with Michelle at mich@sjsm.org.sg

CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING: FRI 22 NOV, 7.45PM Prayer Focus: Digital Babylon

This will be our last CPG for 2024. Let's gather as one people in Christ Sanctuary to pray for God's Kingdom to reign even in the digital world.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT 2025 Save the Date: March 21-23, 2025 (3D2N)

This retreat offers Spirit-filled messages, heartfelt conversations, spiritual nurturing, and practical skills—all woven together with fun and laughter alongside fellow couples journeying together in life. Embrace this opportunity to refresh, rejuvenate, and renew your love, deepen your bond and create beautiful memories with the love of your beloved.

Registration details coming soon!

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION COURSE 2025 (NEW)

Dates & Time: 2 Feb - 4 May (Sundays) | 1.30-3.30pm Baptism Svc: 29 & 30 Mar | Confirmation Svc: 18 May

This new curriculum will now combine the teachings for both baptism and confirmation in one 10-session course. If you want to take the next steps in your faith journey to publically profess your faith and be part of the Anglican community, register here: https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBapConf2025-1 or email ce@sjsm.org.sg if you want to find out more.

KNOW THE WORD (KTW) - JEREMIAH & LAMENTATIONS

Dates: 11 Feb – 27 Apr 2025 (10 Tues) | 7.45 – 9.45 pm Instructors: Bp Rennis Ponniah (Jeremiah) & Dr Low Kee Hwa (Lamentations)

KTW, SJSM's systematic book study course that is offered twice a year, will resume in February. Register for this course at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMKTWJerLam. If you have any questions, please feel free to email ce@sjsm.org.sg.

CROCHET FOR HEARTFRIENDS STUDENT CARE CENTRE

Dates: 14 & 15 December after the services

The Crochet Fellowship will be selling their handicrafts to raise funds for Heartfriends Student Care Centre. Do keep this in mind as you plan your Christmas gift shopping!

ORDINARY TIME.

This period between the major festive seasons of the church year focuses on the life of God's people, the church, and is a time for spiritual maturation - it's no surprise that its liturgical colour is green, which represents life and growth. Our spotlight on the oak, a tree frequently mentioned in scripture and associated with strength and endurance, reminds us of the importance of growing strong spiritually and developing endurance for the race that we are running.



JOIN OUR TEAM

- 1. Group Administrator, Operations & HR (FT)
 - 2. Team Lead,

Information Technology (FT)

- 3. Assoc Chaplain, Chaplaincy (PT)
 - 4. Pastoral Staff, Heartfriends Student Care Ctr (FT) Details at

www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment

CONNECT WITH US

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Write to <u>info@sjsm.org.sg</u> 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

Acct #: 360-303-092-1 Branch Code: 030 Bank Code: 7375

Bank Name: UOB Via PavNow

UEN: T08CC4080B



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.

CHRISTMAS GOSPEL SERVICES

This year's Christmas Gospel service will tell the Christmas story through carolling, readings, drama and dance. Do start praying for these services and also for people to invite! Printed invitational flyers are available at the Info Desk and the e-flyer can be downloaded at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCmasGospel2024Invite

HEARTBEAT FUNDRAISER

We would like to thank the many for their generous support over the last few week for the ministry! These funds will help in opportunities to facilitate the spiritual formation and leadership development of our next generation! THANK YOU!

25 YEARS OF SJSM ALPHA

Alpha has been one of SJSM's primary platforms for people to explore the Christian faith for the past 25 years! We praise God for the many who have met Jesus by attending the Alpha course and also those who have facilitated these explorations by serving in the Alpha Course.

Take a step of faith and join God on the SJSM Alpha 2025 journey. Visit the booth after the service to find out more.

JUNIOR CHURCH & TEEN ENCOUNTER RECESS

Parents, please note that Junior Church and Teen Encounter will take its usual year-end recess for all classes starting the weekend of 30 Nov/Dec 1 and will resume on 4/5 Jan 2025.

WEDDING NOTICE

We want to rejoice with these members who have filed their notice with the Registry of Marriages, Singapore:

TIMOTHY TAN YONG SERN & TAN HUI ZHENG CAROLYN

Date: 10am, 30 Nov 2024 | **Venue:** Glory Sanctuary If anyone knows of any reason why they may not lawfully marry, please inform the Vicar (SJSM) or the Registrar of Marriages before the wedding date.

TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)		
	Jan-Oct 2024 (\$)	Oct 2024 (\$)
General Fund (Budgeted collections)	6,716,447	671,645
General Fund (Actual collections)	6,504,155	573,212
Excess / (Shortfall)	(212,292)	(98,433)

2ND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 96; 1 Samuel 9.27—10.2a; 10.17-26; Matthew 13.31-35

COLLECT: Lord God our Redeemer, who heard the cry of Your people and sent Your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery: free us from the tyranny of sin and death and, by the leading of Your Spirit, bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **SJSM2025.** Pray for Revd Victor and the staff team as they work on finalising the key initiatives and church direction for 2025. Pray for clarity of direction and team unity. May SJSMers catch the heart of God behind vision 2025, and move together as one for His glory. (Ps 32:8; Eph 2:10)
- Year End Outreaches. Pray for (a) the Spirit to guide the planning and preparation of year end outreaches (Christmas Gospel Services on the 21st & 24th Dec, Dover outreaches); (b) SJSMers to pray and invite guests; (c) SJSMers to respond to the calls for volunteers; (d) anointing over all key speakers and the creative team; (e) bountiful harvest of souls.

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- HealthTouch Medical Missions Timor Leste (17-23 Nov). Pray for the team that will be serving in medical camps at three locations (Agape Dili, Heartfriends Centru Kristaun, Agape Caunua). Pray for (a) professional alertness and spiritually sensitivity as they serve with a strong sense of God's missional purpose for this trip; (b) effective and edifying partnerships with the four SJSM missionaries on the ground; (c) divine wisdom to guide the development of plans for furthering the Kingdom work in Timor Leste through medical missions; (d) team unity, good health and divine protection.
- St Andrews' Active Ageing Centre (Care) (Dover). Pray for smooth relocation of the centre from Block 4 to Block 2, Dover Road. As we give of ourselves to serve the community, may God send the needful resources for the move (creativity and practicality of designs, funding, additional staff personnel and volunteers, etc), and enlarge the tent of this ministry to touch many more seniors in Dover. (2 Cor 9:7-8)

OUR NATION

• Loneliness. [CNA: Young Singaporeans faced the highest levels of loneliness and social isolation.] Pray for (a) greater public awareness of loneliness as a prevalent and serious social issues; (b) a profound sense of empathy to initiate better understanding and bonding with those who may be lonely; (c) a change in social perspective towards mental health issues, so that sufferers may not be hindered by social stigma from seeking help; (d) protection of the lonely from harmful coping mechanisms that may render them vulnerable to addiction, bad influences, etc; (e) believers to be ready to reach out to those who are lonely, that they may find fulfilment through a personal relationship with Jesus

THE WORLD

• Climate. [World leaders, policy makers, and youth are gathering at the 29th UN Climate Change Conference (11-22 Nov) to discuss climate action.] Pray for fruitful discussions that will translate into practical solution to help turn the nations' climate commitments into robust action to build climate resilience and support green energy transition. Pray for the Church worldwide to be watchful of the happenings around the globe, to intercede for revival and be His light to the multitude. (Mt 25:13; 2 Pe 3:9)

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Download the latest file at www.anglican.org.sq.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

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



FRI 22 NOV, 7.45PM | CHRIST SANCTUARY

Focus: Digital Babylon

This will be our last CPG for 2024. Let's gather as one people in Christ Sanctuary to pray for God's Kingdom to reign even in the digital world!







Christmas Gospel Services

- Saturday 21 December 5 pm
- Tuesday 24 December 8 pm with concurrent children's programme

Start praying for folks to invited
See bulletin for links to invitational flyer

(and those fond of them)
Seniors, Fellowship



Thu, 21 November 2pm @ Bethel Auditorium



LAST GATHERING FOR 2024!

YEAR END SERVICES 2024

SAT, 21 DEC, 5PM Gospel service

SUN, 22 DEC

8.15am & 10.45am Regular Services

TUE, 24 DEC, 8PM
Gospel Service
w/concurrent children's
program

WED, 25 DEC, 10AM
Holy Communion
Christmas Service

SAT, 28 DEC, 5PM Regular Service

SUN, 29 DEC

8.15am & 10.45am Regular Services

TUE, 31 DEC, 8PM Holy Communion Covenant Service

Bishop of Singapore The Most 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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Our campus, St. John's - St. Margaret's Village (www.sjsmvillage.org.sg),
 comprises the church, SJSM Nursing Home (www.sjsmnh.org.sg),
 Little Seeds Preschool (SJSM) (littleseeds.edu.sg),
 Heartfriends Student Care Centre (https://heartfriendsbasc.org.sg)
 and St. Andrew's Active Ageing Centre (Care) (Dover)
 (https://www.samh.org.sg/st-andrews-senior-care).