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# TAMEN CONSUMER

## 23 March 2025 Building a Disciple-Making Church

9 - 10.30 am

#### WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO WORSHIP GOD

**Entry of the Word** 

**Prelude** 

#### **WE PRAISE GOD**

Call to Worship

\*Hymn of Praise & Adoration Because He Lives (page 5)

#### **WE SEEK GOD**

**Prayer of Confession & Thanksgiving** 

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

\*Hymn of Prayer I Will Sing of My Redeemer/You Set Me Free

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**Pastoral Prayer** 

**Anthem** The Power of the Cross (page 10)

#### WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

**Scripture Reading** 1 John 5:1-12

Scripture Reader: This is the word of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon** Jesus Our True North

#### WE SERVE GOD IN HIS WORLD

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

Offertory

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Doxology

\*Benediction

\*Three-Fold Amen

**Postlude** 

#### **SCRIPTURE**

#### 1 John 5:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. <sup>2</sup> This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. <sup>3</sup> In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup> for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. <sup>5</sup> Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

<sup>6</sup> This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup> For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup> the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement. <sup>9</sup> We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. <sup>10</sup> Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. <sup>11</sup> And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

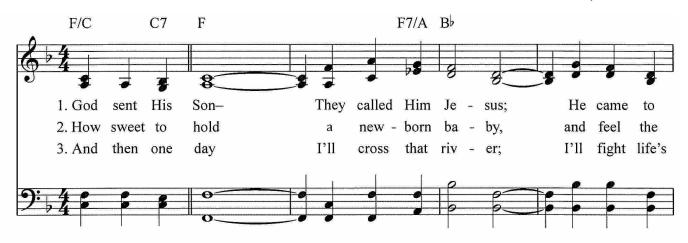
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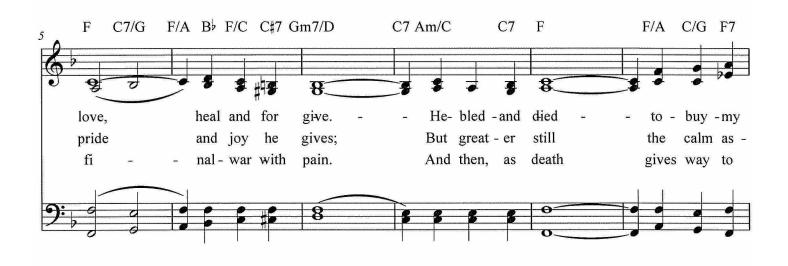
Jesus Our True North
1 John 5:1-12
Introduction:
God's priorities are our guide
2. God's testimony is our truth
Conclusion

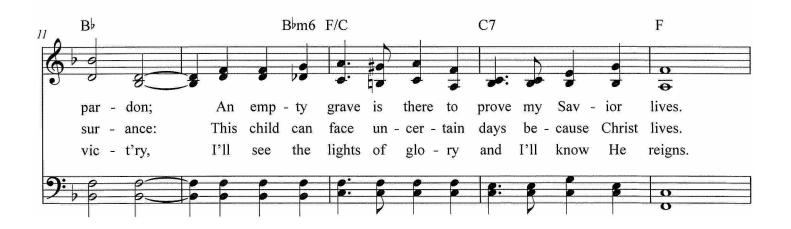
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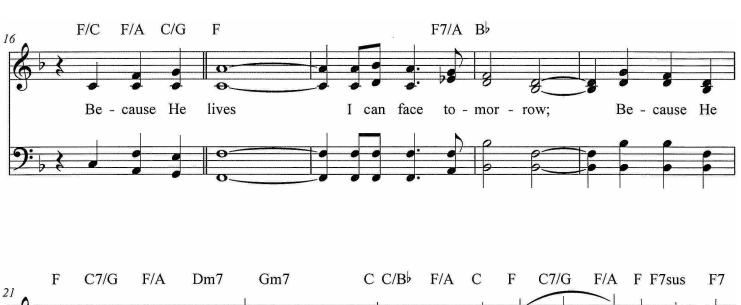
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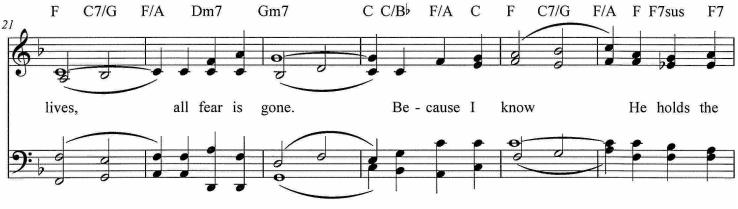
Words by Gloria Willian Gaither. Music by William Gaither.













#### **Hymn of Prayer** (AM)

#### I Will Sing of My Redeemer/He Set Me Free



Words by Philip Bliss. Music by James McGranahan. Bridge by Travis Cotrell & Beth Moore.





#### **Anthem**

#### The Power of the Cross

Words & Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend. Used by permission. CCLI #346426.

#### Verse 1

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

#### Chorus

This the pow'r of the cross

Christ became sin for us

Took the blame bore the wrath

We stand forgiven at the cross

#### Verse 2

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow (Chorus)

#### Verse 3

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life Finished the vict'ry cry (Chorus)

#### Verse 4

Oh to see my name written in the wounds For through Your suff'ring I am free Death is crushed to death life is mine to live Won through Your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross

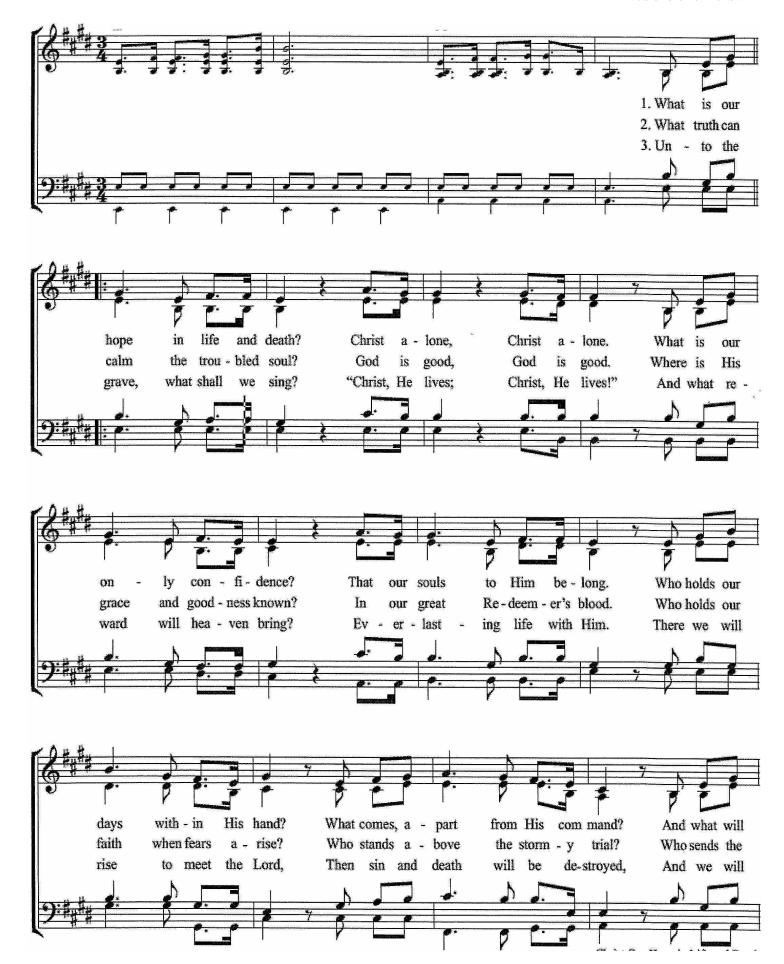
Son of God slain for us

What a love what a cost

We stand forgiven at the cross

#### Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Words & Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Keith Getty, Jordan Kauflin, Matthew Sherman Merker.





#### PM

## 23 March 2025



#### **Building a Disciple-Making Church**

6-7 pm

**Prelude** 

Call to Worship

\*Hymns of Praise & Adoration | I Will Sing of My Redeemer/You Set Me Free

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Beautiful Saviour (page 18)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

**Scripture Reading** 1 John 5:1-12

Scripture Reader: This is the word of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon** Do We Have Life?

\*Hymn of Response Christ Our Hope in Life and Death (page 20)

**Welcome & Announcements** 

Offertory

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Doxology

\*Benediction

\*Three-Fold Amen

**Postlude** 

**Post-Service Discussion** 

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation to stand

### **SERMON OUTLINE 23 MAR (PM)**

Do We Have Life?
1 John 5:1-12
Introduction:
1. The impossible has been done
1. The impossible has been done
2. The impossible is now possible
Conclusion

#### **Hymns of Praise & Adoration** (PM)

#### I Will Sing of My Redeemer/He Set Me Free



Words by Philip Bliss. Music by James McGranahan. Bridge by Travis Cotrell & Beth Moore.





#### **Beautiful Saviour**

Words & Music by Henry Seeley.









#### The Best Pursuit

She was from a humble background, and she was determined to change the course of her destiny. She persevered in her academic pursuit and attained sterling results, which led her to a good career. By her late twenties, she already had her own luxury home and car. What she lacked was a life partner. That worried her, so she began to pay attention to her appearance. She dressed herself up and had plastic surgery to make herself look more attractive.

Like it or not, that is the world's definition of success; wealth, power, looks, social status and family. These worldly achievements will never truly satisfy, as contentment is never in the DNA of the fallen human race. Once we have acquired a high-enough income, we feel that that is not enough; we desire to move up the corporate ladder. Once we have attained that, we feel that that is not enough; we wish for a compatible life partner. Again, after that, we want to have children, and the list goes on and on, leading us to pursuit after pursuit, which the wise King Solomon likens it to 'vanity and pursuit of the wind' (*Ecclesiastes* 1:14).

Jesus knows this very well. Early in His ministry, in part of His Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6:25-32), Jesus taught His followers to live a life that was different from that of the pagans. He taught them to let go of unnecessary concerns but to trust in God's unwavering love and provision instead.

Why do we worry? Why do we fret? Why do we stress ourselves out, over things when our Father, the One who made the world and everything in it, has told us in His Word that He knows what we need even before we ask Him? And if He takes care of the birds and lilies, He will surely take care of us. Jesus wants us to change the focus of our pursuit. He wants us to pursue the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and live in submission to His sovereignty, and He will provide all our needs (Matthew 6:33).

The greatest and best thing we can think about is our soul and our eternal happiness. That is the one thing we need the most. It is the best pursuit. "... but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her" (Luke 10:42).

We will never be content with our temporal worldly pursuits because we were not created for that but for an eternal purpose.

#### Read 1 John 5:13-21

- What is John writing to reassure his readers of?
- What confidence can we gain from our identity as children of God?
- How should we pray for each other?

#### **Prayer Points**

- Pray for the Synod delegates as Synod AGM is held on 24-25 Mar. Pray for wisdom as decisions are made and for good fellowship between the delegates on the two days of meeting.
- Pray for ORPC leaders as the annual Leaders' Retreat is being held on 29 Mar.
   Ask God for His wisdom and grace as the leaders discuss the ministry of ORPC.
- Pray for our fellow brothers and sisters that God will give them the assurance of eternal life. Pray also for each of us to remember and apply the lessons we have learnt in our study of 1 John.

#### MINISTRY THIS WEEK

<u>Date</u>		<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Sun	23	9.00 am	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
		9.00 am	Sunday School	Dunman Building
		9.00 am	Youth Worship Service	Chapel
		11.00 am	SoCM—Finding Joy and Happiness	Chapel
			in a World of Trouble	
		4.00 pm	Chancel Evening Choir Rehearsal	DH A
		6.00 pm	Sunday Worship Service	Sanctuary
Tues	25	8.30 am	Pastoral Staff Prayer Meeting	Online
Wed	26	2.00 pm	Pastoral Staff Meeting	MR1
		7.30 pm	Session Meeting	DB6
Thu	27	7.30 pm	Chancel Morning Choir Rehearsal	DH, SHK, SR2
Sat	29	9.00 am	Leaders' Retreat	Changi Cove
		10.00 am	Orchestra Rehearsal	DB5
		2.00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
		4.30 pm	Music Makers Club	SHK

DB: Dunman Basement; EB: Eastern Basement; WB: Western Basement; DH: Dunman Hall;

SHK: Su Han Kuen Hall; MR: Meeting Room; SR: Study Room

#### (1) CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER

Please make this payable to "Orchard Road Presbyterian Church" and mail to: No. 3 Orchard Road Singapore 238825

#### (2) INTERBANK TRANSFER

Beneficiary: Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church - Giro Offering

Bank: UOB Bank Account No: 450-312-122-5

#### (3) PAYNOW/PAYLAH

UEN No.: S90CC0750JGRO

Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church - Giro Offering QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to pay)



We encourage our ORPC members and regular worshippers to faithfully offer their tithes and offerings and to do so electronically where possible.

This is **not** a general solicitation of funds from the public.

#### FOR CONTRIBUTIONS:

Please indicate the type of Giving, i.e.

"ENGLISH - GENERAL" or "ENGLISH - MISSION"

- (1) at the back of **Cheque** or
- (2) in "Comments" box for Interbank Transfer or
- (3) in "Reference" box for **PayNow**

#### **OUR OFFERING**

OFFERING	TARGET <u>01.01.25 - 31.12.25</u>	<b>TARGET TO 16.03.2025</b>	<b>RECEIVED TO 16.03.2025</b>	YTD SURPLUS/(SHORTFALL)
GENERAL	\$1,800,000.00	\$380,769.23	\$373,769.55	(\$6,999.68)
MISSIONS	\$250,000.00	\$52,884.62	\$53,348.95	\$464.33
TOTAL	\$2,050,000.00	\$433,653.85	\$427,118.50	(\$6,535.35)

#### **A&A FUNDRAISING**

#### (1) BANK TRANSFER

Bank: UOB Singapore SWIFT Code: UOVBSGSG

Account Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project

Account No.: 773-347-101-1

The Pledge Form may be accessed here <a href="https://bit.ly/ORPCpledge">https://bit.ly/ORPCpledge</a>

Completed Pledge Forms should be sent to <u>aafundraising@orpc.org.sg</u>

#### (2) PAYNOW/PAYLAH

**UEN No.: S90CC0750JAA1** 

Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project

QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to pay)

#### (3) CHEQUE or CASHIER'S ORDER

Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project

Mailing Address: 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825





#### **PREACHING THEMES - SERVICE ROSTER**

Sunday Service	23 Mar	30 Mar	6 Apr
Sunday Service	23 Mai	30 Mai	•
Sermon Title	Jesus Our True North	Know Him Who Is True	Inter-Generational Sunday Hold Fast, Jesus Is God's
Sermon fille	Do We Have Life?	Know him who is noe	Final Word
Scripture Reference	1 John 5:1-12	1 John 5:13-21	Hebrews 1:1-4
Preacher			
	Pr Tan Hui Ru	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Rev Dr Clive Chin
Worship Leader	Eld Tatang Halim	Dcn Rita Soh	Eld Alvin Ooi
	Eld Lim Ee Tuo	Eld Liow Koh Chuan	Eld Paul Johnson
Scripture Reader	Joshua Ang	Elizabeth Suwanto	Marie Tan
	Dcn Andrew Tan	Angelina Chew	Yong Shu Hoong
Music Director	Maria Oskar Halim	Dr Agnes Tan	Dr Agnes Tan
	Cheryl Siew		
Musicians	Patrick Harjadi	Dr Evelyn Lim	Dcn Li-Ki Khaw,
	Eunice Tang	Eunice Tang	Eunice Tang, James The
	Lai Ven Li	Juanita Lestari	Hannah Leong, Natalie Chu
Ushers Team/	Team B	Team C	Team G
Leaders	Jimmy Tan	Kenneth Koh	Tan Gek Khim
	Team F	Team H	Team D
	Ang Eng Joo	Alicia Yeo	Ivy Ang
Greeters	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Pr Lim Chung Wei	Pr Lim Chung Wei
	Eld Derrick Lee	Dcn Lim Yui Nguan	Dcn Rita Soh
	Rev Dr Edward Goh	Pr Ho Wei Liang	Pr Herna Kong
	Dcn Debbie Seah	Dcn Samuel Tandijanto	Dcn Lim Yui Nguan
AV Duty Roster	Mervyn Chua	Susan Tan	Jabez Ong
	Jabez Selvarajan	Jeremy Lim	Jethro Cheung
	Selvarajan Rengasamy	Juniarto Hadiatmadja	Winduputra Prasetijo
	Davendran Arumugam	Geoff Holmes	Elson Chan
	Nestor Magkawas	Huang Junxiong	Jane Tham
		Dcn Mazmur The	

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#### **YOUTH MINISTRY - SERVICE ROSTER**

Sunday Service	23 Mar	30 Mar	6 Apr
Sermon Title	Life In the Son		
Scripture Reference	1 John 4:19 - 5:12		
Preacher	Pr Ho Wei Liang		
Scripture Reader	Valerie Koh		
Worship Leader	Natalie Chu		
Musicians	Caleb Lim, Joel Chua,	Worship in the Sanctuary	Worship in the Sanctuary
Announcements	Dcn Andrew Tan		
Ushers Team	Althaea Wangko		
	Gabrian Huang		
AV Duty Roster	Marie Tan, Jabez Ong,		
	Miguel Templonuevo		

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BEREAVEMENT**

Our condolences to Dr Agnes Tan on the passing of her mother, Pastor Aie Hoo Yap Tan, on 17 March 2025. Please uphold Dr Tan and her family in your prayers.

#### SOCM CLASS—FINDING JOY AND HAPPINESS IN A WORLD OF TROUBLE (TODAY)

The class will be conducted by Rev Dr Clive Chin from 11 am - 12.15 pm in the Chapel. All are welcome. Please see the flyer for more details.

# SIGN UP FOR 13 STUDIES IN THE EPISTLE OF HEBREWS FROM APR TO NOV FOR NON-DG MEMBERS/WORSHIPPERS

This study will help counter our tendency to spiritually drift away from God by anchoring our lives to Christ. Participants will practise reading the Book of Hebrews in the light of its Old Testament and other contexts by observing, interpreting, and applying its texts. Join our Discipleship Groups (DGs) to journey with us for the rest of the year (with a month's break in June). Visit and register at the booth in Dunman Hall after the AM or PM service **today**, **23 Mar**.

#### SYNOD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (24 – 25 MAR)

The Synod AGM will be held at Living Praise Presbyterian Church on 24 and 25 Mar.

#### YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT A&A FUNDRAISING (30 MAR)

Our youths and young adults will be helping to raise funds for our church's A&A project by selling Scottish-inspired breakfast items, serving coffee at Coffee@3 and playing worship music after service on 30<sup>th</sup> March (Sun).

Some breakfast items that will be on sale include beef stew, scones and Pr Hui Ru's homemade brownies!

We would like to invite everyone to come and enjoy the food, drinks, and a good time of fellowship together, and to prayerfully give a freewill offering as the Lord moves you to.

So please drop by the Dunman Hall after AM service on 30<sup>th</sup> March (Sun) and find us there!

#### SERMON SERIES—HEBREWS

From April to November, we will be doing a sermon series, *Anchored to Jesus*, on the book of Hebrews.

#### MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER MEETING (2 APR)

Our next prayer meeting will be on Wednesday, 2 Apr, 7.30 – 8.30 pm, in Dunman Hall. All are encouraged to attend.

#### ORPC PALM SUNDAY, GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER SERVICES (13, 18 & 20 APR)

Sunday 13 Apr Palm Sunday Services 9 am & 6 pm

Friday 18 Apr Good Friday Service 9 am

Sunday 20 Apr Easter Sunday Services 9 am & 6 pm

Rev Dr Clive Chin will be sharing the message of the gospel at the Easter Sunday Services. Do invite your family members and friends. All are welcome.

#### ENGLISH PRESBYTERY (EP) HOLY WEEK CONVENTION (16 – 18 APR)

We encourage everyone to join the Holy Week Convention. You may invite friends and relatives to go along. Here is the link to the EP Moderator, Rev Srimal Marthenis' message <a href="EP Moderator's Message">EP Moderator's Message</a>

- Wed & Thu, 16 & 17 Apr, at Adam Road Presbyterian Church (Tengah), 8 pm
- Fri, 18 Apr, at Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, Halls 401-402 (level 4), 10.30 am

#### MEMBERSHIP CLASS (26 APR - 17 MAY)

The membership class will be on 4 Saturdays, 26 Apr, 3, 10, 17 May, 10 am – 12 noon. The classes will be held on-site in DB6 (Dunman Basement, Room 6). Regular worshippers who are deciding to become Communicant Members of ORPC by baptism, confirmation or transfer are encouraged to join the class. Membership Service(s) will be on Sunday, 1 June 2025.

- Register via the QR code here or http://chms.orpc.org.sg/equipping/registration/117/public
- Download the relevant form from <u>https://orpc.sg/forms/membershipforms/</u>
- 3. Submit your form to <a href="mailto:orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg">orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg</a>
  The closing date for application is **Sunday**, **6 Apr 2025**.



# A MESSAGE FROM SM: UPCOMING EXTRAORDINARY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (ECM) FOR AMENDMENTS TO ORPC CONSTITUTION (25 MAY)

Members are encouraged to be present at the ECM for the passing of resolutions to amend the ORPC Constitution. Please see the bulletin insert.

#### **NOMINATION & ELECTION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS (25 MAY)**

Session is calling for an Extraordinary Congregational Meeting for the election of Elders and Deacons to be held on Sunday, 25 May 2025. Please prayerfully consider suitable candidates for nomination by the closing date, 6 Apr 2025. More details on the criteria and process may be found in the insert or via this link <a href="https://orpc.sg/nomination-election-of-elders-and-deacons-5/">https://orpc.sg/nomination-election-of-elders-and-deacons-5/</a>

#### **A&A PROJECT UPDATE & PLEDGE FORM**

You may view the series of updates on the A&A project via this link <a href="https://orpc.sg/aanda/">https://orpc.sg/aanda/</a> The pledge form is available as an insert to this bulletin.

#### BE PART OF A DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Our Discipleship Groups seek to worship, share life, pray, study God's word and serve Christ together. Come alongside us in our daily growth journey through joining a Discipleship Group. Have a look here <a href="https://orpc.sg/ministries/congregation-care/discipleship-group/">https://orpc.sg/ministries/congregation-care/discipleship-group/</a> Email <a href="mailto:discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg">discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg</a> for more information or speak to one of our staff/leaders.

#### FLOWER OFFERING

Gabriel & Jintana: "We thank God for his blessings as we celebrate our 22<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary."

#### PERSONAL PARTICULARS

If you have changed your personal particulars recently, or you have queries regarding church events/ministries, please email Ping at <a href="mailto:orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg">orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg</a> or contact the church office (Mon to Fri).

#### STAFF UPDATE

Pr Herna Kong is on leave 11-23 Mar. Dr Agnes Tan is on leave 18-25 Mar.

Pr Lim Chung Wei will be on leave 21-28 Mar.

	CHURCH-WIDE	EVENTS: MAR – MAY 2025
Wed 2 Apr	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Dunman Hall]
Sun 13 Apr	9 am & 6 pm	Palm Sunday Services / Holy Communion [ORPC]
Wed 16 Apr	8 pm	EP Holy Week Convention [ARPC@Tengah]
Thu 17 Apr	8 pm	EP Holy Week Convention [ARPC@Tengah]
Fri 18 Apr	9 am	Good Friday Service [ORPC]
	10.30 am	English Presbytery Holy Week Convention [Suntec]
Sun 20 Apr	9 am & 6 pm	Easter Sunday Services [ORPC]
Sat 26 Apr, 3, 10 & 17 May	10 am	Membership Class [DB6]
Wed 6 May	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Dunman Hall]
Sun 25 May	9 am (after Service)	ECM – Election of Elders & Deacons [Sanctuary] ECM – Amendment of ORPC Constitution [Sanctuary]
	11 am	Annual Congregational Meeting [Sanctuary]
	6 pm (after Service)	ECM – Election of Elders & Deacons [Sanctuary] ECM – Amendment of ORPC Constitution [Sanctuary]

# Finding Joy and Happiness in a World of Trouble

23 MARCH 2025 11 AM TO 12.15 PM

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Conducted by Rev. Dr. Clive Chin

Finland was ranked the happiest place in the world, and Singapore the happiest in Asia. But what does true happiness really mean? Is it about GDP, health and life expectancy, and freedom of choice? In a world filled with challenges, where can we find true joy?

Join us at the SoCM Sunday Class, as we:

- Consider the factors that make life difficult in modern society.
- Examine what the Bible says about the elusiveness of happiness.
- Discover how to find true joy and contentment through living out the Gospel.



Dear ORPC member,

# Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) on Sunday, 25 May 2025, for Amendments to the ORPC Constitution

I am writing to urge you to attend our Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) on Sunday, 25 May 2025 immediately following the AM and PM services.

In that meeting, we will ask you to consider and pass the following resolutions to amend our church constitution.

- 1. To state the biblical teaching on marriage as limited to a union between a man and a woman.
- 2. To clarify that "the Elders and Deacons Court" also be recognised as the "Board of Management."
- 3. To remove the term "serving" Elders and/or Deacons to represent ORPC to the general meetings of the relevant Presbytery and the Synod.
- 4. To allow for hybrid or virtual meetings so as to avoid physical or inperson meetings in case of the imposition of national health measures.

Your participation is critical because we require a quorum of 50% of the total membership in order to amend the church constitution. Please mark your calendar and plan to join the meeting. May the Lord also grant you wisdom to consider these important amendments to the church constitution.

Rev Dr Clive Chin Senior Minister and Moderator 14 March 2025

#### **NOMINATION & ELECTION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS**

Session is calling for an Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) for the election of Elders and Deacons to be held on **Sunday, 25 May 2025**. Those elected will serve a three-year term from 1 July 2025.

ORPC members are entitled to nominate other ORPC members who have been serving faithfully in ORPC and demonstrated leadership qualities, for election as Elders or Deacons.

The closing date for nominations is **Sunday**, **6 April 2025**.

Session will interview all candidates with their spouses (if any). Those who qualify and are deemed to be suitable nominees will be recommended and announced to the congregation on three Sundays (4, 11, 18 May 2025) prior to the election date.

To be duly elected, candidates must receive at least (a) two-thirds of the votes cast for Elders and (b) half of the votes cast for Deacons.

#### WHAT DO ELDERS AND DEACONS DO?

Elders and Deacons are voluntary office bearers in the Congregation. They join the pastoral staff in pastoral leadership and oversight, oversee the management of ORPC, assist in the administration of ORPC and in all matters concerning the building-up and growth of ORPC.

Elders serve primarily in Session and may also be appointed to the Board of Management (BoM). Session is the final decision-making body in ORPC and has particular responsibility for the spiritual mission and growth of ORPC.

Deacons serve in the BoM and have particular responsibility for the pastoral care of God's people and for managing the material resources of ORPC to serve its spiritual mission.

#### WHO CAN BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED?

- Elders and Deacons must meet the biblical qualifications according to 1 Timothy 3:1-13 and Titus 1:6-9.
- Nominees must be communicant members of ORPC for more than three years.
- All nominees are expected to have served in at least one area of ministry in ORPC for a minimum period of one year prior to being nominated.
- Elders must have served for at least one term of three years as a Deacon.
- Spouses of Elders and Deacons must also be communicant members of ORPC.
   Divorcees and those with previously-divorced spouses do not qualify for nomination.

- Elders and Deacons must assent to the basic creeds and confessions of the Presbyterian Church, the Apostles' Creed, the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Constitution of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Singapore and the Constitution of ORPC.
- Elders and Deacons must assent to and carry out the vision and mission of ORPC to do Disciple-Making Church.
- Elders and Deacons are expected to be regular in attendance at worship, leadership and congregational meetings e.g. Session/Board of Management meetings, life-stage / ministry / committee meetings as assigned, Leaders Onboarding, Leaders' Equipping & Training, Leaders Retreat, Annual / Extraordinary congregational meetings. They will also undertake other duties relevant to their office and other assigned responsibilities as decided from time to time.
- Nominees must not be or have been disqualified to be a member of the Board of Management or Session by virtue of the Charities Act, chapter 37 of Singapore, or any other statute, law or regulation.

#### **HOW TO NOMINATE?**

Elders and Deacons must be proposed and seconded by other communicant members of ORPC.

A member who wants to nominate another member should first check the eligibility of that other member (please see above) before making any nomination.

The proposer needs a seconder for the nomination. After both the proposer and the seconder have signed the nomination form, the nominee must sign the form to confirm his/her consent to the nomination.

Nomination forms are available on our website or the Church Office. All completed nomination forms must be submitted, for the attention of the Session Clerk, to the English Congregation Executive (<a href="mailto:yongping@orpc.org.sg">yongping@orpc.org.sg</a>) by **Sunday, 6 April 2025**.

#### Elder Alvin Ooi Session Clerk 14 March 2025



# BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

Palm Sunday Service

13 April 2025, 9am & 6 pm

ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 3 ORCHARD RD SINGAPORE 238825

# the Meaning of LIGSS HOLY WEEK CONVENTION 2025 | 16 - 18 April

Por over two millennia, the Cross has remained the central symbol of Christianity. But why does it hold such a profound significance within the Christian faith?

This series of Holy Week sermons will explore in depth the meaning of the Cross, uncovering what it reveals about God and the world, the transformative work it has accomplished, and the enduring challenge it poses to Christians and the Church today.





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#### The Revelation of the Cross

Romans 5:8

16 April | 8pm ARPC@Tengah

#### The Victory of the Cross

Colossians 2:5

17 April | 8pm ARPC@Tengah

#### The Challenges of the Cross

Matthew 16:24-26

18 April | 10:30am Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, Hall 401-402 (Level 4)

We won't have a separate children's programme on Friday but there will be a sermonette for them.

Find out more at <a href="http://epholyweekconvention.org">http://epholyweekconvention.org</a>



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#### How to get to ARPC@Tengah

200 Bukit Batok West Ave 5



#### **By Car**

Parking in Multi Storey Carpark (MSCP): @ Blk 467 Bt Batok West Ave 9
Entry to MSCP is via Bt Batok West Ave 9.

@ Blk 463 Bt Batok St 41 Entry to MSCP is via Bt Batok St 41 (Opp Le Quest Shopping Mall).







#### **By Train and Bus**

Alight at **Bukit Gombak MRT** (NS3). At MRT Exit C, turn left and walk to bus stop. **Take Bus 991** and alight at the 2nd bus stop. Walk along the road, ARPC is on the left.



# **Shuttle Bus Service** Timing for 16 & 17 April

Bukit Gombak MRT (Exit D) ⇒ ARPC@Tengah: 7:00pm – 8:15pm (last bus 8:15pm)

ARPC@Tengah ⇒ Bukit Gombak MRT (Exit D): 9:30pm – 10:20pm (last bus 10:20pm)

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7

#### PLEDGE FORM

for the ORPC Building Alterations and Additions (A&A) Project Fund, launched in May 2024



#### What is a pledge?

A pledge is a confidential, written promise to give money (whether a one-off sum or installments over a period of time) to the A&A project fund in the future. It is a commitment made in faith in accordance with the resources that God has given us. A pledge is not a legally binding contract, and can be reviewed and changed as circumstances evolve.

#### Why pledge?

Your pledge enables the A&A committee to plan its finances for the A&A project fund effectively, and to determine the financial commitment we are able to undertake for the entire rebuilding works ahead of time. We hope that through pledging, congregation members will build a culture of giving to the project based on our pre-committed goals.

#### I/We pledge our support for the A&A Project Fund of Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC)

Name:
Telephone:
Email Address:
Congregation:
Member of Congregation: Yes □ No □

I/We pledge to give the Church's A&A Project Fund a one-off giving or by regular giving over a period of time or a combination of the two.

Pledge for one-off giving: Amount: \$		
On the date:		
Pledge for regular giving: Amount: \$	_ monthly/quarterly/half-yearly (circle one)	
Starting the (day) of (month)	(year) for months (maximum of 2	24
months from the commencement date of the fund	d-raising efforts in Aug 2024)	

The A&A Fund Raising Committee will be approaching individuals or groups who are donating SGD\$100,000 and above to discuss your contribution.

Please send in your pledge early so we can plan our finances more effectively. Thank you.

You will find below a QR code for donations to the AA Project, please input your unique pledge ref no (which will be given in the pledge acknowledgement letter) in the reference field when you make your transfer, in order to facilitate a seamless process for our finance operations staff.



#### Personal Data Protection -

By signing on this Form,

- I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal data by ORPC for purposes of my
  participation in pledging of funds towards the Church Building Re-development Project. I acknowledge
  that my personal data may be disclosed to third parties engaged in the organization and hosting of this
  A&A Project.
- 2. ORPC will limit the personal data disclosed to the third parties to that which is necessary and will remind the third parties not to process, use, disclose and retain your personal data beyond the purpose for which it is required by the third party.

#### For Non-Members:

I/We confirm that this Pledge and Donation is our free-will offering and not solicited by Orchard Road		
Presbyterian Church (ORPC)		
Signed:		
Date:		

# Thank you for your commitment to contributing to the A&A Project Fund. Let's build the Lord's house, our legacy of faith together

#### Notes:

- This Form can be placed in the Sunday offering box; scanned and emailed to <a href="mailto:aafundraising@orpc.org.sg">aafundraising@orpc.org.sg</a>; or handed/mailed it to the Church at "Orchard Road Presbyterian Church, No. 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825 for the Attention of the Fund Raising Committee"
- This Pledge Form is for use only by members and regular worshippers at Orchard Road Presbyterian Church
- If you need any help completing this Form, please contact any of the Church Leaders

#### **HISTORY**

The Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC) was founded in 1856 to minister to the needs of the Scots community in Singapore. The first church building on the present site was completed in 1878, and has been extended several times. In 1975, the sanctuary was extended, and in 1985, the new extension of Dunman Hall was completed and a new chapel was built. Alongside the growth of the physical facilities has been the development of the church from an English-speaking expatriate congregation to a local church embracing four different language congregations. In 1995 we planted a branch church (Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church) which became independent in 2013. Similarly, our Mandarin congregation (Providence Presbyterian Church) became independent in 2005. ORPC consists of the English Congregation and the Indonesian Congregation, and worshipping with us now in the same building are Providence Presbyterian Church, and the German-speaking Protestant Congregation in Singapore.

#### FAITH AND MEMBERSHIP

As a church with roots in historic Presbyterianism growing out of the Westminster Confession of Faith, we affirm the Lordship of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We look to the Scriptures as the inspired Word of God and the one authoritative and infallible standard for our faith and practice. We welcome those who profess Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour into our formal membership. Our membership is truly international, representing the breadth of God's call upon people from all ethnic and economic backgrounds. Members are received upon initial profession of faith in Jesus Christ by baptism, confirmation, and in transfer from other Christian churches. Classes for baptism, confirmation, and for transfer of membership are held periodically and announced in the bulletin.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the grave. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

#### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.