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4th Sunday of Lent - 10 March 2024

A Prayer for Today

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before He suffered death upon the cross: give us faith to perceive His glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with Him and be changed into His likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

"where your treasure is there your heart will be also" - Matthew 6:21

> English Worship Service is **live-streamed**, **9:30 a.m.**: - YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> @christchurchlikas/streams

Welcome to a gathering of God's people. We gather to worship the risen Lord Jesus and to encourage one another to obey Him.

1. SEASON OF LENT

We are coming to the end of the Lent period. We continue to remember, reflect, repent, and be renewed.

 'Daily Lent Prayer' - Mon-Fri, at 12:00 noon. It is conducted at church, and online (hybrid); in CH, EN & BM (different breakout rooms).
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- Engage in activities that will bring us closer to the Lord read the Bible, pray, listen to Christian messages, music and songs, or read a Christian book. Visit the sick, needy and lonely.
- Rid bad habits or addictions; and to develop new healthy ones.
- Gotong-royong. Rid the clutter in our house or office. And most importantly, in our lives!!

2. PRAISE GOD & THANK-YOU

- Praise God for a successful children conference. Overall, the children enjoyed themselves. Thanks a million to the parents, teachers, helpers and everyone else who contributed - in cash, kind, time and effort.
- Thanks to those who came for the gotong-royong last Sunday. Everyone worked hard. The big clean-up was much appreciated.

3. ADULTS CELL LEADERS

Today, 10 Mar - meet with Rector and Pastor Margaret:

- 12:00 pm EN cell leaders, and their assistants.
- 1:30 pm CH cell leaders, and their assistants.

4. LENTEN SERMONS - 'THROW AWAY'

- 25 Feb, Lent 2: 'Throw away anger' -Matthew 5:17-27
- 3 Mar Lent 3: 'Throw away vengeance' -Matthew 5:38-48
- 10 Mar Lent 4, today: 'Throw away greed' -Matthew 6:1-4, 19-24
- 17 Mar Lent 5: 'Throw away anxiety' -Matthew 6:25-34.



5. BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Please register now. Candidates must be 13 years old and above. We will arrange suitable classes to fit your schedule, language and age-group.

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that our 54th Annual General Meeting, will be held on **30 Mar, Holy Saturday, at 2:00 pm**. Please note:

- please check the electoral roll, and update, if necessary;
- please hand in your resolutions, if any, to the Secretary by next Sat, 16 Mar.
- ministry leaders, please hand in your reports by today, 10 Mar. All reports, and accounts, will be ready by 24 Mar.
- pray for a good family time together.

7. HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

- 24 Mar, Palm Sunday all Services as usual; distribution of palm crosses
- 28 Mar, Maundy Thurs, 7:30 pm Foot-washing & Holy Communion
 - CH & EN Omega Hall
 - BM church
- 29 Mar, Good Friday
 - o 6:00 am Thanksgiving Services at Anglican cemeteries
 - 12:00 pm-3:00 pm 3-hr Devotion: 'Characters of the Cross'
 - * 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Chinese
 - * 1:00 pm-2:00 pm English
 - * 2:00 pm-3:00 pm BM
- 30 Mar, Holy Saturday, 2:00 pm Annual General Meeting
- 31 Mar, Easter Sunday all Services as usual; followed by Easter lunch.

8. DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS

- 10-12 Apr BM Prayer Conference, St. Patrick's Church, Tawau. Theme: Impak Penerobosan. Close to 40 of us have registered. Still open for registration.
- 30 Apr-2 May CH & EN Young Adults' Conference, All Saints' Cathedral, KK. Open for registration.

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THROW AWAY ... GREED

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For reflection and discussion:

- 1. Describe your dream house. Don't be shy ... haha!
- Read Matthew 6:19-24. What does it mean to 'lay up treasures on earth', v19? What does it mean to 'lay up treasures in heaven', v20? Give some concrete examples in each case.
- 3. May Christians be rich in goods and properties? May Christians be trendy in fashion? May Christians enjoy branded goods? May Christians enjoy expensive hobbies? In each case, discuss, 'why, or why not'?
- 4. What is 'greed'? Why are we warned against being greedy? See Matthew 6:21; Colossians 3:5. What is idolatry? Exodus 20:3-6.
- 5. How may we prosper and not be greedy? See Matthew 6:11; 1 Chronicles 29:11, 14; Philippians 4:11-13.
- 6. How are you using the gifts, talents, property, and money, God has given you? Share. How may you encourage others to do the same?
- 7. Pray for one another to have a heart to share the goodness of God, with one another; and with those in need.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved Community

- for students, parents and teachers as they face a new school term

[that adequate preparation and a sense of newness in learning]

Our beloved Church

- for our adult cell groups

[that more members be trained to lead, teach and pastor]

Ourselves

- for a meaningful Lent period

[that we may learn to be contented in what God has given us] - pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.