



CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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A Prayer for Today

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life of all who put their trust in Him: raise us, we pray, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; that we may seek the things which are above, where He reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



**This is his commandment:
believe in Jesus and love one
another - 1 John 3:23**

English Worship Service is **live-streamed, 9:30 a.m.:**

- YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/
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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. **WELCOME**

We welcome into the family of the Christian church the following persons baptised this morning, at the BM Service:

- Alaeza Zanna Xabella Douglas - daughter of Douglas and Aldrina.
- Aldrich Fitzgerald Alvin - son of Alvin and Friska.
- Elvina Anak Ericson - daughter of Ericson and Laina.
- Eddie Anak Julius - son of Julius and Carstina.

2. **WELCOME**

We welcome the following young people to join our church staff to learn about church ministry. They have just finished their studies and are working out the next step in their personal journey and development. They are Diego Samuel, Connie Ricet and McJill Tay. Pray for them and encourage them.

3. **EASTERTIDE**

We continue our study of the 'resurrection community'. This community, commonly known as the 'church', is one of the immediate effects of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It began with 120 of Jesus' disciples on the day of Pentecost. It slowly, but steadily and surely, grew to be a worldwide community.



Based on the letter of 1 John, they are:

- 7 Apr: Fellowship - 1 John 1:5-2:2
- 14 Apr: Righteousness - 1 John 3:1-7
- 21 Apr, today: Obedience - 1 John 3:16-end
- 28 Apr: Boldness - 1 John 5:1-6
- 5 May: Confidence - 1 John 5:9-13
- 12 May, Mother's Day: Love - 1 John 4:7-end
- 19 May, Pentecost: Power

4. **YOUNG ADULTS CONFERENCE**

Close to 170 young adults from around the Diocese have registered for this conference; including 10 from our church. Some sessions are open for our participation. They are:

- 30 Apr, Tue, All Saints' Cathedral, 7:30 pm - Session 1 - Speaker:

Bishop Melter Tais

- 1 May, Wed, All Saints' Cathedral, 7:30 pm - Session 3 - Speaker: Bishop Kenneth Thien
- 2 May, Thu, Hakka Hall, 6:00 pm - Gala Dinner. Tickets at RM120/- each available. Please enquire at our Welcome Desk.

5. DIOCESAN YOUTH CAMP

28-30 May - CH & EN Youth Camp, Vision School, Tawau. Open for registration. RM135 per person (includes food and lodging). Let's encourage maximum participation from our church.

6. PROJECT 'INVEST'

This project is to build additional accommodation for our church staff. The site has been marked. Please have a look, at the Pavilion. Meanwhile, our fund-raising efforts continue:

- Needed - RM600,000/-
- Last week - RM3,190/-
- Total to date - RM18,230/-

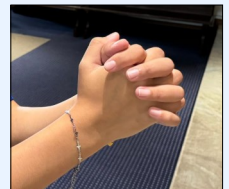
7. OTHER MINISTRIES

- EN YOUNG ADULTS CELL MEETING - today, 1:00 pm.
- HOME COMMUNION - this Thurs, 25 Apr. 8:00 am - Holy Communion Service. 9:00 am - home visits.
- STS EVENTS - at the Sabah Theological Seminary:
 - 4 May - Open Day to introduce STS: courses, facilities, etc.
 - 14-16 May, 7:30 pm - various music workshops
 - 17 May, 7:30 pm - mini music and choir concert (free admission).

8. RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone is welcomed to move to the front during the Holy Communion time. We serve Holy Communion only to those who have been 'confirmed'. If you have not been 'confirmed', you are still welcome to come for prayers. Please indicate to the Lay-Readers:

- to receive Holy Communion - hold up your palm, in the form of a cross;
- to request prayers only - hold up your hands, in the form of a praying-hand.



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Marks of the 'resurrection community'

OBEDIENCE

"Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God,
and God in him." - 1 John 3:24

For reflection and discussion:

1. When we were still in school, there were many rules. Which one did you NOT like?
2. Read 1 John 3:22. 'Whatever we ask, we receive from him'. Can we ask for health and wealth? Why or why not? How to ensure God will listen to our prayers? See also Psalm 66:18, James 4:3 and Matthew 6:33.
3. Read 1 John 3:23. What does it mean to 'believe' in Jesus? How may we love one another? See also vv16-17. Give some concrete examples. How may our church show love to one another?
4. 1 John 3:24. What does it mean to 'abide' in God? And God in us? Read also John 15:4 & 7. How may we encourage one another to continually abide in God?
5. Obeying God can be a joy or a burden. How may we enjoy obeying God? When does obeying Him become a burden?
6. At this stage of your spiritual journey, do you find obeying God a joy, a burden, no feeling? Share your answer. Pray for one another.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved World

- pray for peace; esp., in the Middle-East
[that nations may exercise good sense and restrain]

Our beloved KK Community

- pray for a clean town and a healthy community
[that we may live peaceably]

Ourselves

- pray for obedient hearts
[that we may learn to love one another more and more]
- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.