



CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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A Prayer for Today

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ You have assured mankind of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with Him. Deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in Your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen



treasure in jars of clay
- 2 Corinthians 4:7

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

- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@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. **A SEASON FOR GROWTH**

The season of Trinity is one for growth - personal and collectively, as a church. The general emphasis of our worship during this period is 'the life of the Christian'. This season will bring us to the end of November; when we begin the new Christian calendar with Advent. Enjoy God; and enjoy growing in our walk with Him.

Some activities to encourage growth:

- read through the whole bible, beginning from Genesis. It may take you a few months, or longer. Aim to read through the bible at least once in your life time. Since the beginning of this year, more than 20 people in our church have completed this. Join this group of high achievers!!
- join a cell-group. In the context of a smaller group of people we learn to love and to serve. Enquire at the Welcome Desk;
- join an equipping course, or a conference - learn how to pray, to forgive yourself and others, to share the gospel of Jesus and many other skills useful for our Christian growth. Look out for notices.

2. **CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED**

Starting 7 July, we will conduct a course, 'Christianity Explored', to explain the Christian faith to all interested, esp., the enquirers. It will run for 7 consecutive Sundays:

- Chinese - 10:00 am
- English - 12:00 pm
- BM - 2:00 pm

All sessions will be at the Alpha Hall. Meals provided. Details to follow. Pray for a great work of the Holy Spirit.



3. **CCL 55TH ANNIVERSARY**

2 more Sundays!! 23 June - mark the date.

We turn 55, this year!! On 22 June 1969, our church building was dedicated to the worship of God. We give thanks.

Our celebrations, on Sunday, 23 June:

- morning Services as usual; followed by refreshments. Bishop Kenneth Thien will preach.
- 2:00 pm - Ground-breaking for 'Project Invest' (priest's house & staff quarters). Bishop Kenneth Thien, representing Bishop Melter,

will officiate.

- 3:00 pm - 'HAHA-DAY' family sports for all. Bishop Kenneth will flag off the event. Please register at the Welcome Desk. Come, with family and friends, and have a great day together.

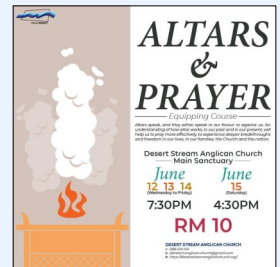
4. **ARK 20TH ANNIVERSARY**

The Anglican Retirement Kampung (ARK) turns 20, this year. What started as a retirement village for our Anglican members has grown to serve seniors from different backgrounds. Occupancy is now full. The celebration, also on 23 June:

- 4:00 pm - Thanksgiving Service. Bishop Kenneth, representing Bishop Melter, will officiate and speak.
- 5:00 pm - Thanksgiving Dinner; with residents and Board members.

5. **OTHER MINISTRIES**

- starting this Wed evening, 12-15 June - '**Altars & Prayer**'; a seminar for breakthrough in one's personal prayer life. In EN only; at D'Stream Anglican Church. Bishop Kenneth Thien is teaching. All welcome.
- this Thurs, 13 June, 10:00 am - visit to **ARK**, to celebrate Father's Day. If you wish to be part of this visit, please inform Ps. Margaret, or register at the Welcome Desk.
- 14-15 June, coming Fri & Sat - '**Dance Explosion**'; happening at our church. A workshop on using dance and painting as art forms for worship. About 100 participants from various churches are expected. Pray that the Holy Spirit may minister to their lives.
- 18-20 June - **BM Men's Conference**, Telupid. Details and registration at the Welcome Desk. Close to 1,000 men have registered.
- 8-11 July - **CH & EN Seniors Retreat**, Sandakan. Details and registration at the Welcome Desk. Over 30 seniors from our church have registered. We welcome more.
- The **flowers** for today are donated by Lee Kiun Ket & family.



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TREASURE IN JARS OF CLAY

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that his all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." - 2 Corinthians 4:7

For reflection and discussion:

1. Describe what are something that we call treasure? Where do we store all these treasures? Do you keep these treasures at home, or at the bank safe, or safe box? Share with one another what is your valuable treasure. Why?
2. What are the jars of clay used for in olden days? What are the treasures kept in these jars? Do you have these jars of clay at home? What do you use them for?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7. What do you think the treasure in this verse refers to? Find out also from Acts 1:8; John 1:12; John 16:13-15. How does this treasure help us in our Christian growth? Share your experiences on how the Holy Spirit help you daily?
4. The jars of clay are easily broken but we must not let what is inside be taken away from us. Read Ephesians 4:15-16. How to respect one another with our speech? Say some words of encouragement to all the cell members.
5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:1. What is the assurance we have from God even when we may be destroyed? Pray for one another in the group to stay strong in the Lord.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved Seniors

- pray for all the senior citizens in our land
[that they receive the care and comfort they need; pray for retirement and nursing homes, esp., the ARK]

Our beloved Church

- pray for those who need special encouragement and support
[that the mentally and emotionally disturbed persons be cared for]

Ourselves

- pray for a renewed spirit to love and to serve
[that we may learn to rest in the Lord more and more]
- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.