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"Our Vision is to be a House of Healing to the Nations, Reflecting the Glory of God, Full of Grace and Truth."

COLLECT FOR 9TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and the light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Article: Relating To The "World"

Read: 1 John 2:15-24

This passage from John's first letter is, I hope a good reminder to us all of how we should relate to the "world"—that is, the non-Christian environment in which we live. While we live and breathe, we have no choice but to live in the world. In a broad sense, the world, that is the created order, is good—or at least that's how God designed it. However, sin has marred this world. While there is still beauty in the world, and there is much that is good, by the grace of God, we need to remember that the goals of the world, and the values of the world are not those of Christ, and should not be those of his followers.

Verse 15 is a stark statement: don't love the world or anything in it, or you don't have the love of the Father. In other words, as Jesus said, you can't serve two masters. You cannot give your affections to God, and also give your affections to the world. This doesn't mean you can't enjoy the good things of the world. But God should always be our first love. All other loves should pale. And only those things that please God should have any place in our affections.

I think verse 16 helps us understand what John has in mind when he speaks of "the things of the world":

the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, and the arrogance of life (or "boasting of possessions"—the Greek is *hê alazoneia tou biou*). It sounds to me as if John is encapsulating here the things that the world places importance on: carnal satisfaction, sensory stimulation, and material comfort. By "carnal" I mean to encompass all kinds of bodily cravings that sin would have us indulge to excess (sex, food, drink, etc.). I don't think I need to convince anyone of how important these things are to "the world." We see evidence of it everyday on television, in movies, on the internet. The Christian's desire should be for God, and pleasing Him. So the Christian should never be consumed with such things.

As John reminds us in verse 17, these desires are fleeting. But our souls are eternal. We should be focusing our lives on things that matter, things that will last, and not things that are not only sinful, but only for the moment. All those desires may give us temporary gratification, but they don't last. Only in Christ can we find eternal satisfaction for our souls.

May we all be encouraged this week to put worldly pleasures firmly in their place! Have a great week!

[Devotion taken from http://www.colindsmith.com/blog/2012/09/30/sunday-devotional-1-john-215-17/]

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Upcoming Sermons | 2022 Theme: By My Spirit, Says The Lord (Zechariah 4:6)

Date	Sermon topic		Speaker
21 Aug	God's Standard Of Love	1 John 3:11-24	Ps Raymond Sim
28 Aug	The Look Of Love	Psalm 145:8-9, Lamentations 3:22-23 Luke 10:25-37	Mr Stanley Tay
04 Sep	Test The Spirits	1 John 4:1-6 Matthew 7:15-20	Revd Daniel Tong
11 Sep	We Love Because He First Loved Us	1 John 4:7-19	Mrs Ruth Sim

Prayer and Praise 2022

Date	Topic and Text		Speaker
26 Aug	Serve As A Show Of Gratitude	Hebrews 12:28-29	Mr Joshua Goh

Pray for the World

Lord, we are saddened once again by the recent flare-up of violence between Israel and Palestine, and pray that this latest clash will not escalate into greater armed conflict. We pray for the conviction of the Holy Spirit to befall all parties that their eyes may be opened to the crimes and hurts they are inflicting on each other and their own people; and their hearts opened to renounce their anger and bitterness, repent and forgive. We pray for Your chosen people of Israel not to allow animosity to harden their hearts, but seek daily to love their enemies in Your mercy and grace.

Pray for Singapore

Lord, we pray for Your Church in our land to stand united in upholding the truth and teachings of Your Word, never compromising, but always pressing forward to share the gospel with the lost. Guide our responses to the challenges which arise – moral, economic and spiritual – and grant that we be Your faithful witness in our nation. We pray for the younger generation of believers to be grounded in obedience to Your Word as they fend of the fiery darts of the enemy and step up into leadership of Your Church in this land.

Pray for SACC

Lord, we pray for Your guidance in the formulation of our Parish Discipleship Programme, wherein we all prayerfully put on and take on Your full armour, standing firm in the face of the enemy and pressing forward resolutely to establish Your kingdom here on earth.

We pray:

- For a deeper hunger of Your Word and Ways, and active personal efforts to grow in the same through personal study and attendance of Christian Education classes, and faithful application of the lessons learnt in our daily lives and walk.
- 2. For our young ones to come to a personal and deep faith relationship with You, which sees them putting You first in their lives, and giving themselves to Your service.
- 3. For Your guidance and refreshing to be upon our leaders, that they be ever sensitive to Your leading and obedient to Your will.
- 4. For our Parish to be ever provided for in our ministries and needs, strategic and creative in our outreaches, discerning of and protected from the wiles and schemes of the enemy.

A Prayer Request, Feedback, or Query

Have you a prayer request? Some feedback to share? Queries with regard to our church, how you may serve, or about life? Write to *bridget_tan@sacc.org.sg* and we will link you with the best person who may help.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

We will be postponing the start of our 2nd Worship Service to September 2022.

SOS Tea Fellowship "Let's encourage one another and build each other up." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 27 August 2022, Saturday

Time: 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Venue: SACC seminar room, level 2

Registration link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1ozuUg2dBQjlyDsPQrscyN_f7_ML7ujrHfvoazsVWwL6IvQ/viewform?usp=pp_url

If you are unable to access the google form, you may email Bridget via admin_info@sacc.org.sg to register.

Clay will have Baptism & Confirmation Classes on 18 & 25 Aug, 1 & 8 Sept at 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. It will be a zoom class.

For youths who want to be baptised and/or confirmation end of the year, please sign up for the class through this link:

https://tinyurl.com/clayconfirmation2022

TTC Open House

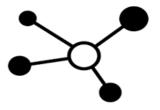
Wednesday, 31 August 2022, from 8.30am - 2.00pm.

Interested members may register using the QR code or this link https://ttc.edu.sg/english/OpenHouse2022 to book their places by 26 August, (or conveniently share from our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ttc.sg/).



Projectionist Recruitment

Calling to anyone who has a willing heart to serve as Projectionist. If you love to use computers and like music, you are the one we are looking for! No pre-requisites just need to know Microsoft PowerPoint. There will be an upcoming training for all existing and interested members on 28 Aug 2022. Do sign up with Josephine/Bridget at front reception on Sunday.



SACC Cell Life - Be Part of it

In our cell groups we fellowship, support each other, and serve the community alongside one another. We welcome you to share and be part of these groups situated in Simei, Tampines and Bedok. Contact us today at admin_info@sacc.org.sg and let's explore together the best for you!



Speaker: Ps Lydia Wee

Title : Love Note The World

Sermon: 1 John 2:15-24

Introduction: Antichrist, last hour? (vv. 18-19, 22)

The world? (vv. 16)

Love not the world. (vv. 15-21)

- Temporal
- Urgency
- Identity

Love the Father (vv. 23-24)

- Confess the Son
- Abide in the truth

Conclusion: Love not the world. Love the Father. Receive eternal life (2:25).

Discussion/Reflection questions:

- 1. "all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life" (2:16) Which of these do you find easiest to let go? Which is most challenging to let go? Why?
- 2. How do you practise loving the Father in your daily life? How would you make confessing the Son and abiding in the truth a way of life?

Our services and sermons can also be accessed at http://tinyurl.com/SACCyoutube For more information about SACC, please visit www.sacc.org.sg

RETURNING TO SACH FOR SERVICES

when?

3 JULY 2022

where?

St Andrew's Community Hospital Multi-Purpose Hall (level 2) 8 Simei St 3 9529895

To help ease everyone back to having services at SACH, we will implement changes in phases.

Phase 1 (July)

English Gervice

Time: 9 AM Location: MPH (livestreamed on YT)

OLO

Time: 9 AM Location: Training Rm

Chinese Service

Time: 11 AM Location: MPH

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Time: 9 AM Location: Seminar Rm CLAY

Time: 9 AM Location: ACC (Simei)

Light refreshments will be served between the two services.

Do stay for a time of fellowship and catching up.



All Are Welcomed!

Phase 2 (Sept)

9 AM

English Service Location: **MPH** (livestreaming TBC)

Chinese Service Location: Chapel

11 AM

Chinese Service Location: MPH

English Service Location: Chapel

OLO. Giant. CLAY no change from Phase 1



Usher Duty

1st Sunday - 5 Loaves & 2 Fish, Loving God 2Gather, 1 Kings 8:5-7

2nd Sunday - Oasis 3rd Sunday - 1 John 4:19

4th Sunday - CLAY, Mark & Agnes

5th Sunday - Beacon, Grace@228, Mark & Agnes

Tithes and Offertory

Members are encouraged to remember our Lord and His house, and continue to tithe. You may do so remotely by scanning the following QR Codes:

SACC (English) T08CC4074CEC1



DBS 029-900919-2

SACC Cambodia Mission Fund T08CC4074CCMF



DBS106-900039-4

SACC Growth Fund T08CC4074CGF2



DBS 106-900038-6

Remember to indicate your tithe number / purpose of transfer.

Transferring of Tithe/Offering via DBS/POSB banking platform

1) digibank Mobile

- Log in to digibank Mobile with your **Touch / Face ID** or **digibank User ID & PIN**.
- Tap Pay & Transfer and select Local.
- Select the **Recipient** you wish to transfer to: (For Recipient's list refer to Add a Recipient)

SACC English Congregation 029-900919-2
 SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
 SACC Growth Fund 106-900038-6

- Select the Fund Source you wish to transfer from (e.g. saving account) and enter the Amount you wish to transfer
- Enter your tithe number in 'Reference'
- Tap Next to review the details, and tap Transfer Now to complete the transfer.

2) Via Paynow

- Select 'PAYNOW' in your banking app
- Bank will send you a 6 digits OTP
- Key in the UEN T08CC4074CEC1 / T08CC4074CCMF / T08CC4074CGF2
- Key in the amount to be transferred.
- Key in your **Tithe number** in the 'Reference' space
- Click 'Transfer'
- Bank will send a text message to you that the amount has been transferred.
- You can send this message to church office.

3) DBS/POSB ATM

- Insert your ATM/Debit Card and key in your PIN.
- Press Button for More Services.
- Press Button for "Funds Transfer/Fixed Deposit".
- Select the Account Type to Debit (your own bank account)
- Select the saving account type and number to Credit

SACC (English) 029-900919-2
 SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
 SACC Growth Fund 106-900038-6

- Enter the amount.
- Verify the Details of the Transaction and press Confirm.
- Key in your **tithe number** under reference/bill or send a text to the church office of the transaction: Date of transfer; tithe & amount

4) digibank Online

- Open ibanking portal, login with your **User ID** and **PIN**.
- Select Transfer and click Other DBS or POSB Account.
- Log in with your 6-Digit iB Secure PIN.
- Choose the Recipient you wish to transfer your money to.
- Select the Account you wish to transfer from.
- Select the **Currency** and indicate the **Amount** you wish to transfer.
- Click Next.
- To transfer to a particular payee, you will need to have him/her in your recipient's list.

Adding a recipient to your list.

- Open the ibanking portal, login with your User ID and PIN.
- Select Transfer and click Add New DBS or POSB Recipient and complete the Authentication Process.
- Indicate the Recipient's name and Account number, click Next.
- Verify the **Details of the Transaction** and follow the **2-Factor Authentication Instructions**.
- Click Submit to complete the request.

Digibank Online allows you to set a monthly transfer on desired date.

Follow the instruction in the 'More Services' button.

Transfer from Other banks.

Please check with your bank website portal.