

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

COLLECT FOR 4th SUNDAY OF LENT

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Article: Supporting Those In Need

Read: 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15

Paul is speaking of our fellow church members. The church has been in Paul's mind for the last several verses.

Paul believes Christians should work, not just to support themselves but also to have money to share with those in need (Ephesians 4:28). Therefore, those who refuse to support themselves are to be admonished. Paul doesn't direct this instruction to the elders. It's a brother to brother sort of thing. We are to have the moral courage to call each other to account, and we are to have the courage to permit our brothers to do this — gently and in love.

The word translated “fainthearted” could also mean discouraged. The KJV “feeble-minded” is just wrong. Paul lists encouragement as a gift of the Spirit in Rom 12, and I'm persuaded that it's one of the most important gifts. It's rarely preached on as, I guess, too obvious or something, but congregations with encouragers will flourish. Those without encouragers will struggle and even die.

Again, this is not the elders' special job. It's not assigned particularly to the preacher. It's a brother to brother sort of thing.

“Help the weak” likely does not refer to those weak in the faith (as in 1 Corinthians 8-10 and Romans 14). Rather, it likely refers to members with physical or mental weaknesses, perhaps due to persecution — but I wouldn't read “weak” to only include the persecuted. It's probably close enough to interpret as “help those who need help.” Just that simple because it really doesn't matter why someone is in need — so long as we aren't being enablers and making it easy to live off the church rather than working and handling money prudently. Some people need help with budgeting and setting priorities rather than handouts.

Patience is, of course, a lesson that comes from a true shepherd. Those who've spent time working with members who need help know how the work can tax anyone's patience. I mean, there's no sense in romanticizing things. Admonishing the idle and helping members handle money and such like is not easy and not fun. It's like disciplining children — very rewarding and very necessary in the long run, but emotionally exhausting in the short run. This is one of many reasons God gives us his Spirit — we need divine help to do these things and to keep doing them.

The second clause extends our Christian ethics to how we deal with unbelievers. We first seek the good of our fellow believers, but this not enough. We must also help “everyone” — Christians in other congregations and unbelievers, even persecutors.

*Nevertheless, in 1 Thessalonians 5:15 the apostle demands an unqualified concern on the part of all his readers for the well-being of both those within and outside the community without offering either negative or positive motivation. ... Whatever may have been his explicit motivation, the underlying motives probably reflect his desire to foster solidarity in the community and to encourage the sort of behaviour toward those outside that might lead to their conversion and inclusion in it, even among those who had been responsible for afflicting the community at an earlier stage. [Charles A. Wanamaker, *The Epistles to the Thessalonians*:*

A Commentary on the Greek Text, New International Greek Testament Commentary, (Grand Rapids, MI: W.B. Eerdmans, 1990), 199.]

[Abridged devotion taken from <https://oneinjesus.info/2016/11/1-thessalonians-514-18/>]

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

Date	Sermon topic		Speaker
03 Apr	Same Spirit, Common Good	1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Luke 10:17-20	Revd Daniel Tong
10 Apr	Readying For His Return	Zechariah 9:9-10 Luke 19:28-44	Mr Raymond Choo
15 Apr	Open Topic		Revd Johnny Chin
17 Apr	Peace Be With You	John 20:19 to 29/ Phil 4:40 to 7	Mr Kua Wee Seng

Prayer and Praise 2022

Date	Topic and Text	Speaker
22 Apr	Bronze Serpent Offers Healing Numbers 21:6-9	Mr Joel Yu

Pray for the World

Father, scenes of the devastation and news of the lives lost – especially of children – as a result of the Russian invasion of Ukraine pains our hearts, and we cry out to You for mercy and deliverance of the Ukrainians. Please stir and work out a means by which the nations of the world may intervene without aggravating the conflict into another world war. Please open the eyes and convict the hearts of the Russian leadership to stop this madness. Please watch over and guide all displaced by this war – both Ukrainians and Russians – as they seek to rebuild their lives whether they now reside as refugees.

Pray for Singapore

Father, as more COVID-19 restrictions are loosened in the coming week, we give thanks for Your ongoing providential care over our nation, and pray that this loosening will not result in another surge of COVID-19 in our land. We rejoice at the greater freedom we will have to gather and sing at our Sunday services and Cell Group meetings, praying that You grant us a special blessing as we re-gather live and in person. We particularly lift before You our fellow members whom we have not seen for so long, that they still walk close to You, and will regather with us very soon.

Pray for SACC

Father,

We especially lift up before You this week:

1. The rebuilding and strengthening of our Worship Ministry, for the recruitment of new members, and refreshing of current serving members.
2. The preparations for our coming Annual General Meeting this 24 April 2022, for guidance in ensuring good processes are in place, the election of our office bearers, and thanksgiving for another year of Your blessing.
3. The English Congregation Retreat planned for 10-12 June 2022, for Your anointing to be upon Bishop Ng Moon Hing as he prepares to bring us Your word and minister to us, along with all the necessary plans and organisation.
4. The ongoing work in Pursat Cambodia, with whom we have a mission partnership, for the deepening of the faith of our brothers and sisters there, and the opportunity for us to resume our trips there to support their work soon.

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

Parish Retreat

Our Parish Retreat is from 10 to 12 June 2022. Kindly avail yourself to join us for the weekend!

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to make Palm Cross for Palm Sunday. Please contact Josephine/Bridget, 65861983/1 if you are available.

Children's Ministry Classes

OLO and GIANT will have physical class at SHPS on 3, 10 and 17 April 2022 and via Zoom on 24 April 2022.

CLAY will have physical class at SHPS on 3 and 10 April and to attend main service on 17 April 2022, via Zoom on 24 April 2022.

Annual General Meeting

This year our virtual AGM will be held on Sunday, 24 April 2022. The Electoral Roll list is ready for your review at our reception area this Sunday and next. Hard copies of the nomination papers are also available there. Kindly submit your nomination to the office by Wednesday, 6 April 2022,

Our Annual Report and Proxy Forms will be rolled out to you on 10 April 2022. The proxy forms will need to be completed and submitted by 20 April 2022. Should you have any questions on the Annual Report, do write in to admin_info@sacc.org.sg.

Do feel free to contact Bridget Tan or Josephine Leong should you have any queries or need any assistance.

Care for our Common Home

<An online seminar organized by the Christian Education Committee of St Andrew's Community Chapel>

Tornados, forest fires, floods, mudslides, snow storms - we have read about an increasing number of natural calamities over these past few months. We live in a context where climate change and ecological devastation has societal as well as personal ramifications. This workshop explores the biblical and practical aspects of creation care as an integral part of the mission of God (Missio Dei). It examines theologically God's purpose(s) for creation and the role of humanity in the stewardship of the created order.

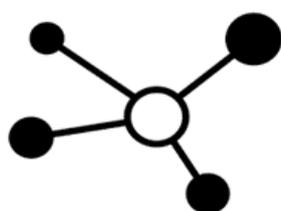
Speaker: Rev Dr Andrew Peh

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9 April 2022 (Saturday), 10.30a.m. – 12noon Platform: Zoom

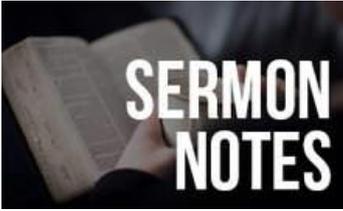
Free admission. Register via <https://tinyurl.com/saccce202204>. Meeting link will be given after registration nearer the date of the event.

Registration deadline: 8 April 2022 (Friday) 6.00p.m.



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 : Revd Sam Kuna

Title : Understanding the Church & Mental Health

Scripture : 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15

Introduction

Conclusion

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

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Please register via QR code:



Season of Lent

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
PREACHER: REV JOHNNY CHIN
15 APRIL 2022
11 AM



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE
PREACHER: MR KWA WEE SENG
17 APRIL 2022
11 AM



ST. ANDREW'S
COMMUNITY CHAPEL
圣安德烈社区教会

TOY STORY FRIENDSHIP

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL

PRIZES TO BE WON
FOR COSTUME CONTEST
AND GROUP GAMES

17 April 2022, 11 AM
St Hilda's Primary School



GOODIE BAG
FOR EVERY CHILD!



Register at <https://tinyurl.com/EasterToyStory>

Usher Duty

1 st Sunday	- 1 John 4:19 / Grace @228
2 nd Sunday	- Mark & Agnes / Fuel+
3 rd Sunday	- 1 King 8:57 / Oasis
4 th Sunday	- 5 Loaves & 2 Fish / Beacon

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:

<p>SACC (English) T08CC4074CEC1</p>  <p>DBS 029-900919-2</p>	<p>SACC Cambodia Mission Fund T08CC4074CCMF</p>  <p>DBS106-900039-4</p>	<p>SACC Growth Fund T08CC4074CGF2</p>  <p>DBS 106-900038-6</p>
<p>Remember to indicate your tithe number / purpose of transfer.</p>		

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)*
 - o SACC English Congregation 029-900919-2
 - o SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
 - o 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
 - o SACC (English) 029-900919-2
 - o SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
 - o 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.