



THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SABAH

# The Church of The Good Shepherd

Weekend Worship Service: 26 April 2020



## Message from Our Senior Priest

This is the 7th week of 'retreat' since our Church called all to stay at home during weekend services. This weekend, let us recapture our Church's theme: **SEASON OF REALIGNMENT!**

After a year, the theme is no longer a slogan. It calls for serious reflection and review again what the Lord has been saying since COGS Sandakan focused on this particular theme.

As your current Senior Pastor, I was reflecting how the pandemic brings out the significance of this season. As the news reported by many Government leaders such as our Prime Minister as well as Norway's Prime Minister who said that when this pandemic is finally over, life will not be the same as before. Business will no longer be as usual. It has impacted every spheres of concern. Just to take an example, the education system in Malaysia. The Education Minister announced that the 2020 UPSR & PT3 examinations are now cancelled! The SPM & STPM examinations are postponed to early 2021. Surely this will upset the process of all our children's education as well as all the teachers also. I am afraid to say that it will affect our Church's weekend services, our weekly Care Groups' meeting and all our ministries. This is because the Ministry of Health had announced that there should be no MASS GATHERING at least for the next 6 months to a year period after the MCO season. We really have to start thinking & looking ahead of what the Lord wants us to take note and how He wants us to move forward from now on.

I like to request that all Pastoral & Ministry Staff together with all our Ministry leaders to continue to be in touch with all brothers and sisters of COGS Sandakan. For those of us who are good in using the technology, please use app like Zoom to 'gather' or 'meet' online. During this season of realignment, the focal point is to see how we can keep in touch, care and support one another so that we can keep going stronger in the Lord more than before. As for members who may not be that tech savvy, I am requesting those who know where they are to call them up and find out how they are doing. May the God of all wisdom grant us the strength to stay focus and strong in the Lord Jesus our Lord. As we go through this period of adjustment and to adapt so that we will keep on learning to follow our Lord Jesus. I am writing this because I am not sure when will that day be, when we can come together like before. I pray that our love for Christ be increased by keep growing to be like Christ more and more!

*Canon James Lee*

## COGS Vision

*To Be like Jesus (Rom 8.29) so to fulfill the Great Commission (Mat 28.18-20) by obeying the Great Commandment (Mat 22.37-39) with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1.8) in Sandakan & beyond.*

## Worship Services

### Saturday:

7:30 pm (Hakka 1), Church

### Sunday:

7:00 am (Hakka 2), Church

9:30 am (English), Church

9:30 am (BM), Barrett Hall

2:30 pm (Mandarin), Church

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## Our Team

### ARCHBISHOP

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Melter Jiki Tais

### PRIEST IN-CHARGE

Canon James T V Lee

### PASTORAL ZONE

Revd Timothy Jerry  
Revd Chin Kah Jin  
Revd Chong Fen Chung  
Revd Albert Lintikan  
Ps Wong Hyen Tze  
Ps Chin Yock Len

### ZONES

Chi Adults - Canon James Lee  
Eng Adults - Canon James Lee  
BM Adults - Revd Timothy Jerry

### MINISTRIES

Children Zone (Ch/Eng/BM)  
- Ps Chin Yock Len

Youth Zone (Ch/Eng/BM)  
- Ps Wong Hyen Tze

## Collect for Today (Easter 3)

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth so that they may return into the way of righteousness: grant to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's service that they may renounce those things that are contrary to their profession and follow all such things as are agreeable to it; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

COGS Office will be OPENED every



Monday, Wednesday & Friday

The Church Of The Good Shepherd  
圣公会善牧堂



Pre-Recorded Online Service

预录主日网络崇拜 (上午9时正)



LIVE THIS SUNDAY AT 9AM WITH

CANON JAMES LEE 李德文法政牧师

## CONTRIBUTIONS & GIVINGS

### 1. OFFERING & TITHING



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Ways To Give Offering

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All things come from You, and of Your own do we give You.

万物都是从主而来，我们把从主而来的献给您。

Segalanya adalah pemberian-Mu dan apa yang kami berikan ini kepunyaan-Mu juga.



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### 2. ANGLICAN SIBUGA PROJECT (ASP)

- By online transfer to **Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010031353.**
- Official receipts to be issued upon request via **WhatsApp no: 0198905604.**



### 3. SEKOLAH RENDAH VISI, SANDAKAN

- By online transfer to **Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010073123.**
- Official receipts to be issued upon request via **WhatsApp no: 0109836142.**

**For the convenience of members who wish to put in your donations into the offering box, it will be placed there on the following days and times: Every Monday & Wednesday from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon. Please indicate your type of givings. Thank you.**



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7-8 NIV



## #PLEASE STAY AT HOME

Do your part.  
Pray for an end  
to the pandemic.



*Let us pray for...*

### THANKSGIVING:

- ◆ Thank the Lord that His grace is always sufficient for us, in whatever circumstances at all times. Look not to our circumstances, but focus on Jesus and His unfailing words with thanksgiving;
- ◆ Thank God for healing many from this COVID-19 Virus infection.

### PRAYER ITEMS:

#### ◆ Pray for OUR WORLD - THE ONGOING COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.

- \* Pray for our Government & other Governments around the world, that they would have wisdom from our Lord to minimize control & combat this pandemic.
- \* Pray for protection for the medical staff & personnels, & those who are on the frontline including the police, the military, marine, essential service providers, the elderlys, those who have underlying health problems, etc.



- \* Pray for God's wisdom as we are adapting to the new normal in our lives at this time. Pray that our church will continue to experience a deep sense of God's presence in an entirely new way of worship on Sundays throughout the MCO.
- \* Pray for Sabah especially Kota Kinabalu, where the numbers of infected are rising.



#### ● Pray for the sick:

**Mdm Chan Fon Ping, Michael Yio Cho Kui, Soh Lai Pok, Tang Hong Piau, Pang Min Chiew, Pun Chun Ming, Chang Kon Fatt, Eng Fook Kit, Chin Tshun Leong, Chan Mei Ngo, Tham Nyuk Mui, Emily Lau, Chang Suk Heng, Lai Nyuk Jin, Tai Nyuk Min.**

## The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Servant King! Acts 16.16-40; Mark 9.30-50

**Mark 1-9.29** has clearly proven \_\_\_\_\_ which was affirmed by Peter through God's revelation (see **Mark 8.29; Matthew 16.17**)! Jesus spoke of His Kingship in the context of \_\_\_\_\_ which was established through His own death & resurrection (see **Mark 8.31-32; 15.21-16.8**)! Jesus plainly taught about \_\_\_\_\_ for all who want to follow Him (see **Mark 8.34**). Jesus' Kingship reflects \_\_\_\_\_, which was enhanced by God through the historical event of \_\_\_\_\_ (see **Mark 9.2-29**). From **Mark 9.30-50**, Jesus moved towards Jerusalem with the sole purpose \_\_\_\_\_. For the second time, Jesus spoke about His sufferings & death as well as His resurrection (see **Mark 9.31; cf. Mark 8.31-38**). To impress upon His disciples, Jesus repeated \_\_\_\_\_ for all who want to keep following Him! Let us see how the demands of discipleship are still relevant & applicable for us today in the following points:-

1. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ ! (Mark 9.30-42)

2. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ ! (Mark 9.43-50)

### **Reflection & Application:**

1. Does the saying '**NO CROSS, NO CROWN**' means anything to you? Do you think the concept of Jesus' expectation is still relevant to us who want to follow Him? Please read **Mark 9.31**, what was Jesus' intention of repeating what He said earlier in **Mark 8.31**?
2. The greatest challenge when becoming Jesus' disciple is found in **Mark 9.49**: "**Everyone** will be salted with fire." Compare with **Mark 8.34**. Are we ready for the onslaught of intense persecution such as the underground Church in China?
3. How can we who are created in God's image becoming like Jesus in Sandakan (read **Ephesians 4.20-32**)? Paul clearly taught that the key is found in **Ephesians 4.30 & 5.18-21**. What is the key? How can we apply the key when the situation which could be worse than the pandemic Covid-19 situation?