

WEEK 01

EPIPHANY 1

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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Welcome to a gathering of God's people.

COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you: and grant that we may perceive and know what things we ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to perform them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Season For Everything

Read: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven. —
Ecclesiastes 3:1

If you're like me, you've struggled with having to say "no" to taking on a new responsibility—especially if it's for a good cause and directly related to helping others. We may have sound reasons for carefully selecting our priorities. Yet sometimes, by not agreeing to do more, we may feel guilty or we may think that somehow we have failed in our walk of faith.

But according to Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, wisdom recognizes that everything in life has its own season—in human activities as in the realm of nature. "There is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven" (3:1).

Perhaps you are getting married or becoming a parent for the first time. Maybe you are leaving school and entering the workforce, or moving from fulltime work to retirement. As we move from season to season, our priorities change. We may need to put aside what we did in the past and funnel our energy into something else.

When life brings changes in our circumstances and obligations, we must responsibly and wisely discern what kind of commitments we should make, seeking in whatever we do to "do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31). Proverbs 3:6 promises that as we acknowledge Him in all our ways, He will guide us in the way we should go.

Heavenly Father, give me Your wisdom to know what
priorities I need to have at this season of my life. Guide me
in all that I do. I only want to bring You the honor You
deserve with the way I live.

Commitment to Christ is a daily calling that challenges us.

(From Our Daily Bread)

FAMILY MATTERS

Welcome to a gathering of God's people. We gather to worship Jesus. To sing praises to Him, to confess our sins to Him, to listen to His word, to pray to Him, to remember His death and to encourage one another to obey Him in our daily lives.

At this juncture we warmly welcome Archdeacon Yong Thiam Choy to our worship services today.

- **07 Jan 2018**, today, 2:00 pm
 - **COGS Chi / Eng & Mawar Sunday Schools** resume.
- **10 Jan 2018 - LOGOS Zone** resume their meeting, preceding with a dinner at 7:00 pm. Venue: Barrett Hall.
- **11 Jan 2018 - Chinese AGAPE Zone** resumes. Venue: Barrett Hall. Time: 7:00 pm.
- **12 Jan 2018 — COGS Staff Planning Retreat** at Wisma COGS from 8:00 am till late afternoon concluding with a joint dinner with the PCC to welcome Ad T C Yong.

- **PCC meeting** — at the meeting room, 8:00 pm.

- **13 Jan 2018 - Intercessors** gathering from 2:30 pm—4:30 pm. Ad Yong will be the speaker. Venue: Grace Hall
- **16—18 Jan 2018, Diocesan Clergy & Pastors Retreat** to be held at All Saints' Cathedral, Kota Kinabalu. Ad T C Yong, Revd K J Chin, Revd Timothy Jerry, Ps Yock Len and Ps Hyen Tze will be attending the retreat. Please pray for a meaningful time together among all other clergy and pastors.
- **8—12 Mar 2018 Diocesan Chinese Prayer Conference** will be held at COGS, Sandakan. Details to follow.
- Flowers for this Sunday are contributed by a sister as her birthday thanksgiving.
- **2018 AGM.** It will be very much appreciated if the ministry leaders will get your reports done, the earlier the better. Thank you. Details to follow.

A NEW SEASON

(Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

1. A New Season Brings Change

(1 Kings 2:1-3)

2. A New Season Brings Challenges

(1 Kings 3:5-9)

3. A New Season Brings Breakthrough

(1 Kings 8:10-14)

FAMILY MATTERS

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- **Ordination to the Priesthood**
 - *Revd Tutik Garuda* - St Mark's Church, Lahad Datu
 - *Revd Paul Chin Yew* - Menggatal Anglican Church
 - *Revd Samson Soh Chue Tet* - St Andrew's Church, Beluran
- **Ordination to the Diaconate**
 - *Pastor Nelson Tai* - All Saints' Cathedral, KK
 - *Pastor Rojie Songkia* - Church of The Good Samaritan, Penampang
 - *Ev Malintas Madaut* - St Augustine's Mission District, Merotai
 - *Ev Winson Susir* - Misi Daerah Roh Kudus, Minusoh
 - *Mr James Wong Kim Khui* - St Patrick's Church, Tawau
 - *Mr Samuel Chong Tsui Min* - All Saints' Cathedral, KK

If anyone knows of any cause or just impediment as to why they should not be so ordained and admitted to the Priesthood/Diaconate, he or she should declare it in writing to the Bishop. This is the final notice.

Services	Attendance/Communicants	
Hakka I [Sat] - 7:30 p.m.	191	154
Hakka II [Sun] - 7:00 am	142	133
English [Sun] - 9:30 am	393	337
BM [Sun] - 9:30 am		
Hakka III [Sun] - 2:30 pm	79	65
Mawar Children	-	
Labuk Children (Ch)	-	
Labuk Children (En)	-	
BM Children	-	
Total	805	689

Lord, teach us how to pray ...

✧ **For Our World - MONGOLIA, between China and Russia. Population 2.8 million people.**

- Economy—traditionally a pastoral and agricultural economy, however severe winters brought great losses to livestock and agriculture.
- For the young Mongolian Church which is maturing rapidly
- For the Mongolian missionaries working in remote unreached areas of Mongolia and beyond.

✧ **For Malaysia - Trade.**

- Favourable trading partners to improve our economy.
- For acceptance of our palm oil in all countries so that we can export to all nations.
- For favourable trading surplus of all commodities.

✧ **For Our Diocese - St Patrick's Church, Tawau.**

- Bishop John Yeo, Revd Ho Kee Chung, Revd Robert Chin, Revd Tsen Kwet Chin, Revd Sim Ka Seng, Revd Alwi Sanji, Ps Dr James Ku, Ps Lim Bun Hui, Ps The Chong Lay and Ps Chung Kui Fung.
- Commitment of co-operation among the team of pastoral workers.
- Every member of the Chinese, English and BM congregation to regularly attend church.

✧ **For Our Parish - Airport Zone.**

- Zone leader - Mr Yong Fook Choi.
- An assistant leader and more leaders to rise up.
- Regular attendance of all members to their mid-week care group fellowship.

- ✧ For the sick: Mr Chin Tshun Leong, Mdm Teo Joo Lian, Ps N F Soo, Mdm Lee Soi Chin, Mr Eng Fook Kit, Mdm Chang Suk Heng, Mdm Emily Lau, Miss Vivian Chin, Mdm Lai Nyuk Jin, Mdm Chia Soon Yin, Mr Leong Kam Lun, Mdm Tay Phui Teen and Mr Chong Hyun Vui.

Order of Service	This Sunday	Next Sunday (14/01/18)
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	How sweet the name Jesus sounds (HfTC 211)	Immortal, invisible (HfTC 21)
<i>Greetings</i>	Dr T M Thian	Elizabeth Kho
<i>Praise & Worship</i>	Ang Pian Ming	Eveleen Ho
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	Ecclesiastes 3: 1 - 8 Eveleen Wong	Rev 5: 1 - 10 Eng Li Fah
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	Mark 1: 4 - 11 Dr T M Thian	John 1: 43—51 Elizabeth Kho
<i>Message</i>	"A Season for Everything" by Ad Yong Thiam Choy by Revd K J Chin	
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	Peter Soo	Ng Kong Hin
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	Jesus, keep me near the cross (HOP 281)	Wounded for me (HOP 95)
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	Stepping in the Light (HOP 249)	Send the light (HOP 324)

Serving One Another :		
Cell Group Leader	YOUNG ADULTS & M.A.D. YOUTH (Timothy Wong)	LOGOS 1 (Dr Arthur Chung)
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	Angela Ngu, Kelvin Chin, Audrey Ho, Mitchell Lo	Mr & Mrs Eddie Wong Ngo Su Hian, Angela Hon
Sidesmen	Danny Tang Clement Chee Wong Ee Syinn Cassandra Chong	Dr & Mrs Arthur Chung Henley Liew Annie Liu
Server	Eddie Wong	Lam Kai Kwong
Prayer Ministry	Timothy Wong Eveleen Wong, Peter Soo	Ho Sui Loon Stephanie Chin
Offertory Count	Rosie Chia (C) Yee Chee Hong, Betty Kwan Melissa Ong, Cindy Liew Alvin Wong	Lily Mok (C) Mr & Mrs Yuen Kat Min Emily Ng, Lena Wong Mark Mak
Washing up	M.A.D. Youth	Mr & Mrs Anton Ngui

WEEKLY SERVICES

Saturday

7:30 p.m
Chinese

Sunday

7:00 a.m.
Chinese

9:30 a.m.
English

9:30 a.m.
Bahasa M'sia

2:30 p.m.
Chinese

CHAPEL PRAYERS

Wed - 7:00 a.m.

Thur - 6:30 a.m.

Sat - 4:30 a.m.

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