WEEK 42

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Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TRUE GREATNESS

Read: Mark 10:35-45

Whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. —Mark 10:43

Some people feel like a small pebble lost in the immensity of a canyon. But no matter how insignificant we judge ourselves to be, we can be greatly used by God.

In a sermon early in 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. quoted Jesus' words from Mark 10 about servanthood. Then he said, "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Plato and Aristotle to serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love."

When Jesus' disciples quarrelled about who would get the place of honor in heaven, He told them: "Whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:43-45).

I wonder about us. Is that our understanding of greatness? Are we gladly serving, doing tasks that may be unnoticed? Is the purpose of our serving to please our Lord rather than to gain applause? If we are willing to be a servant, our lives will point to the One who is truly great.

No service in itself is small, None great, though earth it fill; But that is small that seeks its own, And great that does God's will. —Anon.

Little things done in Christ's name are great things.

(Extracted 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.

- We congratulate Mr & Mrs
 Chin Yuk Tshun who were
 married last Friday. May our
 Lord guide them in their new
 lives together.
- Donation to the Sulawesi Earthquake & Tsunami Relief Fund

In view of the recent earthquake that hit Palu, followed by a disastrous tsunami causing great damage and casualties, Bishop Melter Tais requested and encouraged respective churches to raise fund for the families of the victims soonest possible.

We are grateful to you that RM3,323.90 was received last week.

The two offertory boxes will be placed their for another Sunday afterwhich the total amount will be sent to the Diocesan Office. Please give prayerfully and thoughtfully. Thank you.

• 30 Oct (Tue) Excelsis Line Dance Party

Venue: Barrett Hall, 6:30 pm

Tickets @ RM45/pax inclusive of buffet dinner & lucky draw.

Contact persons: Chiew Jet, Siu Fong & Susanna.

02 & 03 Nov (Fri & Sat)
 09 & 10 Nov (Fri & Sat)

ATI-E (CH) BIBLE COURSE

- ★ Non-refundable Reg Fee = RM100.00
- **★** Courses: Audit = RM120.00 Credit = RM270.00

Venue: St Michael's Church

• 10 Nov (Sat)

COGS SISTERS' RETREAT

Venue: Sepilok Nature Resort

Time: 7:00 am-2:00 pm.

Contact persons: Jus Ng or Ellen Cham.

• **20 Nov** (Tue)

COGS KG GRADUATION DAY

Venue: Barrett Hall @ 8:30 am—12:00 nn

• 23-24 Nov (Fri— Sat)
THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP
SUMMIT

Language: Eng & Chi

Before 10 Nov 2018: Reg Fee @ RM180/pax; Group of 5 pax = RM700

After 10 Nov = RM190 / pax.

Venue: St Michael's Church.

HEART OF A SERVANT (Mark 10:35-45)

1. Self-Serving Sons of Zebedee

Mark 10:35-37

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask." ³⁶ "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. ³⁷ They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

2. The Ignorance of their Request

Mark 10:38-40

³⁸ "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?" ³⁹ "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

3. Self-Sacrificing Son of Man

Mark 10:42-45

⁴² Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Questions for Discussion

- 1. Read Mark 10:35-45. What are some marks of a servant-leader?
- 2. What's wrong with the request of James and John? How did Jesus answer them? What do you learn from Jesus' answer?
- 3. Read Mark 10:45. What do you learn about being a servant? How do you apply in the context of your service to the Lord in church, work place and family? Discuss.

FAMILY MATTERS

- 26 Nov (Mon)
 - **COGS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

Speaker: Canon Chak Sen Fen Venue: Church portico, 7:00 pm.

Organized by the COGS Men's Fellowship. Flyers are available at the sidesmen's table.

(FOR MEN ONLY)

- 08 DEC (Sat)
 - CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Venue: COGS Barrett Hall @ 2:00 pm-4:00 pm.

Tickets are available from Ps Chin Yock Len.

- **Flowers** are donated by a sister as her thanksgiving.
- Our heartfelt sympathy & condolence to family members of
 - * Vivian Chin, aged 7 &
 - * Ps Soo Nyuk Fong, aged 54. Both were called to eternal rest on 14 Oct 2018.

Services/Attendance/Communicants					
Chi (13/10) Sat -7:30 pm	211	165			
Chi (14/10) Sun -7:00 am	213	186			
Eng (14/10) Sun - 9:30 am	176	150			
BM (14/10) Sun - 9:30 am	256	186			
Chi (14/10) Sun - 2:30 pm	67	57			
Total	923	744			

Children's Ministries	
Tadika COGS (KG)	140
Chi Children cell - Mawar & COGS	113
Eng Children cell - COGS	41
BM Children cell	66
St Monica's Discovery Club	-
BB Junior & Senior (Boys' Brigade)	106
Youth Ministries	
Ch Youth (Inspired & Impact)	26
Eng Youth (M.A.D.)	12
BM Youth	-

Lord, teach us how to pray ...

- For Our World TANZANIA in East Africa. Population: 54 million.
 - Economy: one of the world's poorest nation wherein an agricultural subsistence economy dominates.
 - People: the delicate intercommercial balance and religious stability need regular prayers.
 - Church continue to pray for the strong church planting movement in the country.
- **For Malaysia Broken families.**
 - Single mother / father in largely urban setting of the country.
 - Care for children who are victims of broken families.
 - Government to provide assistance to all broken families.
- **※** For Our Diocese − All Saints' Cathedral, KK
 - Dean Musa Ambai and his team of ministry staff.
 - For all their ministry groups including the children's & youth ministries.
- **※** For Our Parish COGS Sisters' Fellowship.
 - Jus Ng, the chairlady and her committee.
 - All the leaders of the sisters' fellowship.
 - For regular and beneficial fellowship meetings.
- For the sick: Mr Joseph Luruthusamy (in KL), Mr Liew En Lip, Mr Lim Ngak Joo, Mr Pang Ming Chiew, Mdm Chan Mei Ngo, Mdm Tham Nyuk Mui, Mr Tsen Siong Khong, Sr Low Mooi Gaik, Mrs Chong Fen Chung, Mr Francis Lam, Mr Chin Tshun Leong, Mr Eng Fook Kit, Mdm Chang Suk Heng, Mdm Emily Lau, Mdm Lai Nyuk Jin, Mdm Chia Soon Yin, Mr Leong Kam Lun, Mdm Tay Phui Teen and Mr Chong Hyun Vui.
- For personal requests.

Order of Service	This Sunday (21/10/18)	Next Sunday (28/10/18)	WEEKLY SERVICES
Introit Hymn	Come, thou Almighty King	Rejoice, Ye pure in heart	Saturday
Introit Hymn	(HOP 14)	(HOP 18)	7:30 p.m Chinese
Greetings	Stephanie Chin	Elizabeth Kho	Sunday
Praise & Worship	Claudia Lopez	Ang Pian Ming	7:00 a.m. Chinese
Collect for Today			9:30 a.m.
Bible Reading	Hebrews 5: 1—10 Patrick Lim	Hebrews 7: 23—28 Sally Ng	9.30 a.m. English 9:30 a.m.
Nicene Creed			Bahasa M'sia
Gospel Reading	Mark 10: 35—45 Stephanie Chin	Mark 10: 46—52 Elizabeth Kho	2:30 p.m. Chinese
Massaga	David Timithu Jawa	Ad Vone Thinm Chau	CHAPEL PRAYERS
Message	Revd Timithy Jerry	Ad Yong Thiam Choy	Wed - 7:00 a.m.
Response Hymn			Thur - 6:30 a.m.
Intercession	Chia Khen Sang	Miranda Liew	Sat - 4:30 a.m.
Confession			CONTACTS:
Offertory Hymn	I would be true (HOP 243)	My faith looks up to thee (HOP 280)	Ad Yong Thiam Choy 013-851-2389
Holy Commun	Revd K J Chin		
Thanksgiving Hymn	At Calvary (HOP 375)	We praise thee, O God (HOP 360)	089-667698 Revd F C Chong 019-813-3152
			Revd Timithy
	Serving One Another	Jerry 016-692-9031	
Cell Group	EMMANUEL	Young Adults & M.A.D. Youth	Ps Yock Len 019-807-0781
Leader	(Elizabeth Kho)	(Soh Lai Shing)	Ps Hyen Tze 013-883-7782
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	Mr & Mrs Patrick Lim Mr & Mrs William Chow	Elton Liew, Kelvin Chin Audrey Ho, Amanda Ong	Ps Nyuk Fong 016-834-7236
Sidesmen	Mr & Mrs Terence Fung	Danny Tang, Wong Ee Syinn	Dr T M Thian 089-213418
Server	Francis Voo, Lena Wong Eddie Wong	Mitchell Lo, Angela Ngu Terry Chan	Yong Fook Choi 016-822-0995
Prayer Ministry	Lue Fui Hua, Denny Chong	Peter Soo, Evelyn Poon Edwin Lam	Steven Chung 017-817-7871
Offertory Count	Alice Chang (C) Mr & Mrs Ho Sui Loon Mr & Mrs Michael Chin Loh Leong Len	Ngu Ngok Yoon (C) Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah Wong Siu Fong, Margaret Ho Hee Pui Lee	Patrus Tamuai 011-298-3381
Washing up	Lue Fui Hua, Cindy Liew	Elton Liew, Kelvin Chin Audrey Ho, Amanda Ong	80