

WEEK 36

TRINITY 15

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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:

Keep your Church, Lord God, with your continual mercy, and because the frailty of man without you cannot but fall, keep us always under your protection, and lead us to everything that makes for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We would like to welcome Bishop Melter and his wife, Mrs Angeline to Sandakan! We want to thank the Bishop for being here to confirm 52 of our members. I also want to thank our pastors, evangelists and leaders who have prepared the confirmees for this very important milestone in their Christian journey. They are going to receive Holy Communion together with the other body of Christ this morning. Congratulations!

At the Confirmation Service, each one of us is reminded again the meaning of confirmation in the Anglican Church. During the confirmation, the Bishop lays his hands on the confirmees, and prays for them:

Defend, O Lord, your servants with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours forever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen !

There are at least three things we learn from this act of laying of hands taught in the 'Start Right' Lesson:

God Confirms you

God is called upon to "defend" or "protect" you. God will "strengthen" and "make you firm" in your commitment.

You Confirm your commitment

You "confirm" the promises made at your baptism. To "confirm" is to "make sure", to "affirm", or to "make firm".

The Church receives you

You are received as a full member of the Anglican church. This applies equally to those who were brought up in the Anglican church or those from a different Christian background but have decided to be Anglican members.

May the Lord strengthen their faith and be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit as they are being laid hand and prayed for by the Bishop. I also want to encourage our newly confirmed members to play an active part in the life of the church by being involved in church ministry.

**"WELCOME & CONGRATULATIONS" TO THE FAMILIES OF
THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD !**

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.

✂ Our warmest "welcome home" to Archdeacon Yong Thiam Choy from his sabbatical leave.

✂ Revd & Mrs Chin Kah Jin are in Shanghai for a holiday since last Monday. They will return on 12 September. Please remember them in your prayers.

● **09—11 Sept (Sun— Tue)**

BB Officers Training (Junior Section)

9 instructors participated. They left this morning.

Venue: KOKOL Hill, K K.

● **10 & 11 Sept (Mon & Tue)**
Sandakan Anglican Youth Conference.

Venue: St Michael's Church.

Fee: RM40

Person in-charge: Ps Hyen Tze.

● **12 Sept (Wed)**

Sandakan Inter-church Prayer Night

Venue: Sandakan Vision School, Sibuga, 7:30 pm.

All are welcome !

● **16 Sept (Sun)**

Michaelmas Run @ 4:00 pm

Reg. fee @ RM50/pax inclusive

T-Shirt, Wrist Band & Medal.

● **21 & 22 Sept (Fri & Sat)**

Moon-cake Festival Evangelistic Night.

Venue: St Michael's Church

Time: 7:30 pm nightly.

All are welcome !!

● **5 - 6 November (Mon -Tue)**

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Language: English & Chinese

Venue: St Michael's Church

Early Bird's Reg Fee @ RM180/pax before 15 Oct 2018.

Full details on the registration form.

● **Banns of Marriage** (3rd time of announcement). They intend to be married on:

★ 10 Sept 2018: Mr Lam Shao Vui & Miss Choo Git Yeu

09 September 2018

THE POSITION OF THOSE WHO TRUST IN THE LORD

(Ref: Psalm 125)

1. Safe and Secure (v 1-2)

- Cannot be Shaken but endures Forever (*Ps 16:8; 1 Peter 2:6; John 10:28*)
- The Lord surrounds us on every side (*2 Kings 6:17; Psalm 34:7*)

2. Secure Inheritance (v3)

- Keep safe from the wicked (*Ps 16:5*)
- Keep safe to receive it (*Matthew 24:22; 1 Peter 1:4-5*)

3. Secure Future (v 4-5)

- God will do good to those who are good (*Matthew 12:33; Romans 2:6-8*)
- God will banish those who do evil (*Matthew 7:21-23; Revelation 21:27*)
- God will answer his people's prayer for peace (*Isaiah 2:2-3*)

Questions for Discussion

1. Read Psalm 125. How many per cent do you think you are safe in your daily life? Share your reasons. Why do you think that in the Lord you are safe? Share your opinions.
2. What does Psalm 125:3 teaches us? This world is full of evil, they often win and we are often losing. Why? What is the guarantee for us who live in this evil world?
3. Who are the "good" in verse 4? Do you consider yourself as a good person? Why "Yes" or why "No"? According to verse 4, what does it mean to be a good person?
4. Who are those who trust in the Lord? Are you one of them? If not, then open your heart and receive Christ and have faith in Him, then you are safe and secure.

- Revd Timothy Jerry

FAMILY MATTERS

- **Blessing** — blessing of **Sepilok B & B Resort** at Mile 14, yesterday (07 Sept). Congratulations to Dr Robert & Melissa Ong.
- **Flowers** - contributed by a couple as their wedding anniversary thanksgiving.
- **Condolence:** The late Mr Liao Kui Hin, aged 62 was called to eternal rest on 03/09/18. Wife: Mdm Liew Nyuk Choon attends our Saturday evening Service.

Services/Attendance/Communicants

Chi (01/09) Sat -7:30 pm	237	176
Chi (02/09) Sun -7:00 am	201	171
Eng (02/09) Sun - 9:30 am	169	139
BM (02/09) Sun - 9:30 am	409	252
Chi (02/09) Sun - 2:30 pm	69	56
Total	1085	794

Children's Ministries

Attd

Tadika COGS (KG)	140
Chi Children cell - Mawar & COGS	107
Eng Children cell - COGS	38
BM Children cell	-
St Monica's Discovery Club	-
BB Junior (Boys' Brigade)	35

Youth Ministries

Attd

Ch Youth (Impact & Inspired)	-
Eng Youth (M.A.D.)	-
BM Youth	-
BB Senior (Boys' Brigade)	16

Lord, teach us how to pray ...

✧ **For Our World - SOMALIA — North East coast of Africa.**
Population: 11 million. Pray for:

- Economy : Poor nation depending on mainly subsistence pastoral and livestock.
- People : Many are leaving the country for “greener pastures” in Europe, known as Africa’s “most failed state”.
- Health : Social and physical health of the nation is terrible as a result of years of war and neglect.

✧ **For Malaysia - Religion.**

- Thank God for freedom of religions in the country.
- For mutual respect of our diverse culture and religious belief.

✧ **For Our Diocese — St Barnabas' Mission District, Pitas.** Pray for:

- Revd Maradin B Kapong, Ev Rosly B Taranak, Ev Karis Tipa Baroh @ Christopher.
- For regular visitation to out-lying churches:

(a) Mandamai Bai Anglican Church

(b) Gereja Anglikan, Kota Marudu.

✧ **For Our Parish — COGS**

- All our ministry / fellowship groups: Children's ministry; Youth Ministry; Young Adults Fellowship; Men's Fellowship and Women's Fellowship.
- Their leaders and assistant leaders.

✧ 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, Miss Vivian Chin, 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 (09/09/18)	Next Sunday (16/09/18)
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	The Church's One Foundation (HfTC 501)	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (HfTC 523)
Greetings	Elizabeth Kho	Ho Sui Ting
<i>Praise & Worship</i>	Claudia Lopez	Eveleen K W Wong
Collect for Today		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	Psalm 125 Wong Siu Fong	Isaiah 50: 4—9 a Amanda Ong
Nicene Creed		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	Mark 7: 24—37 Elizabeth Kho	Mk 8: 27—38 Ho Sui Ting
Message	Revd Timothy Jerry	Ad Yong Thiam Choy
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
Intercession	Denny Chong	Peter Soo
<i>Confession</i>		
Offertory Hymn	Take Time To Be Holy (HOP 265)	Be Still, My Soul (HOP 287)
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	My Saviour's Love (HOP 378)	Send the light (HOP 324)
Serving One Another :		
Cell Group Leader	EMMANUEL (Elizabeth Kho)	YOUNG ADULTS & M.A.D. YOUTH
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	Mr & Mrs William Chow Jimmy Kho, Denny Chong	Amanda Ong, Elton Liew Kelvin Chin, Mitchell Lo
Sidesmen	Mr & Mrs Terence Fung Francis Voo, Lena Wong	Danny Tang, Edwin Ngo Wong Ee Syinn Cassandra Chong
Server	Charles Chong	Eddie Wong
Prayer Ministry	Monica Ho, Betty Kwan	Timothy & Eveleen Wong Reg Sin
Offertory Count	Yee Chee Hong (C) Mr & Mrs Christopher Kwan Melissa Ong, Cindy Liew Francis Voo	Rona Yuen (C) Yuen Kat Min, Emily Ng Lena Wong, Mark Mak
Washing up	Monica Ho, Elizabeth Kho	Amanda Ong, Elton Liew Kelvin Chin, Mitchell Lo

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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