

WEEK 12

PALM SUNDAY

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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Welcome to a gathering of God's people.

COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY:

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Almighty and everlasting God, in tender love towards mankind you sent your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take our nature upon him and to suffer death on the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: grant that we may follow the example of his suffering, and also be made partakers of his resurrection, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

We are entering the Holy Week today, starting with Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday. Some church traditions have daily services during the week. For our church, we will have Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday Services. On Palm Sunday we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, the week before His death and resurrection. Maundy Thursday commemorates the institution of the Lord Supper and Good Friday commemorates the death and suffering of our Lord Jesus Christ. As for the Good Friday Service, we will meditate on the Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross. Jesus Christ made seven final statements during his last hours on the cross. These phrases are held dear by followers of Christ because they offer a glimpse into the depth of his suffering to accomplish redemption. Recorded in the Gospels between the time of his crucifixion and his death, they reveal his divinity as well as his humanity. We will have a combined service on Good Friday from 12 nn - 3 pm. Let us be reminded of Christ's love for us as we meditate on the death and suffering of Christ on the Cross. I encourage us to fast at least one meal and spend time to pray and draw near to God.

"Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!" (Matthew 21:9)

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 thank all who came in yesterday to make the palm crosses. Altogether they have made 1500's.
- **25 Mar** (Today) — Chi & Eng Sunday Schools in recess.

- **25 Mar** (Today) -
COGS 34TH AGM.

Venue : Barrett Hall
@ 2:00 pm.

★ **NO** Chinese Service at 2:30 pm today.

- **25 Mar** (Tonight) -
Sisters' Care Group will gather at Mawar Centre for fellowship, 7:00 pm.

- **26 Mar** (Monday)
Keenagers' Fellowship

Time : 8:45 am
Venue: Barrett Hall

- **30 March** (Good Friday).

Alpha Course

3rd session — Topic is "Why did Jesus die?"

Venue: Barrett Hall, 7:00 pm.

- **07 April** (Sat)

COGS Sisters' Fellowship monthly gathering.

Venue: Barrett Hall
Time : 2:00 pm

- **Confirmation classes** will commence in April. If you are prepared for confirmation, please hand in your filled-in form to the church office.
- **COGS Education Award** will be awarded soon to students with excellent results for the UPSR, PT3, SPM & STPM in 2017.
- **Tadika Good Shepherd**—vacancy for a teacher is available. Qualification / requirement: SPM, diploma in Early Childhood Education. Languages—BM, Eng & Chi. Please contact Mrs Alice Y M Liew.

Here Comes The King! (Mark 11:1-11)

1. The King's Preparation (Mark 11: 1-7)

"And as they approached Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one yet has ever sat; untie it and bring it here. And if anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" you say, "The Lord has need of it;" and immediately he will send it back here.' And they went away and found a colt tied at the door outside in the street; and they untied it. And some of the bystanders were saying to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they spoke to them just as Jesus had told them, and they gave them permission. And they brought the colt to Jesus and put their garments on it; and He sat upon it." (vv. 1-7)

2. The King's Reception (Mark 11:8-10)

"And many spread their garments in the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before, and those who followed after, were crying out, 'Hosanna! Blessed Is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David; Hosanna in the highest!'" (vv. 8-10)

3. The King's Lamentation (Luke 19:41-44)

As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace-- but now it is hidden from your eyes. 43 The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognize the time of God's coming to you." (Luke 19:41-44)

FAMILY MATTERS



Holy Week Services:

- 25 Mar— Palm Sunday Services as usual, except for the after noon Service.
- 29 Mar— Maundy Thursday Service in church, 7:30 pm
- 30 Mar— Good Friday Memorial Service— Sibuga Anglican cemetery, 7:00 am ;
- 3-Hour meditation and prayer in church. (12 nn—3:00 pm)
- 31 Mar - Baptism Service on Saturday Evening Service, 7:30 pm
- 01 Apr - Easter Sunday Chi / Eng Services combined @ 7:30 am;
- light breakfast at Barrett Hall, 9:30 am
- BM Service, 10:30 am in church
- Chinese Service, 2:30 pm

Services/Attendance/Communicants

Chinese [Sat] - 7:30 pm	224	196
Chinese [Sun] - 7:00 am	291	192
English [Sun] - 9:30 am	155	130
BM [Sun] - 9:30 am	244	199
Chinese [Sun] - 2:30 pm	78	55
Mawar Children	30	
Labuk Children (Ch)	-	
Labuk Children (En)	-	
BM Children	81	
Total	1103	772

Lord, teach us how to pray ...

- ✧ **For Our World - NIGER** — situated between Libya and Nigeria. Population 18 million.
 - Economy — Economy: One of the world's poorest nation. Depends on agriculture and livestock. Droughts and locast plagues often divastate the worsening economy.
 - Religion - Tension between Muslims and Christians continue to escalate due to neighbouring situation in Nigeria.
 - Churches— Thank God that this muslim land is open for the gospel.
- ✧ **For Malaysia - Judiciary.**
 - Justice—pray for justice to prevail in all court cases.
 - Judges—to be fare and uphold the rule of the law.
 - Native coast—to be fair in all customary rights.
- ✧ **For Our Diocese - St James' Church, Kudat.**
 - The Very Revd Chak Sen Fen and leaders.
 - Their senior citizens and elderlys.
 - The youth and children ministries
- ✧ **For Our Parish - COGS B M Worship Service.**
 - Revd Timothy Jerry and Marry.
 - All our BM leaders and assistant leaders.
 - Spiritual growth of their cell group members
 - Their children's ministry.
- ✧ For the sick: **Mr Tony Wong, Mrs Irene Leong, Mr Francis Lam, Mr Yim Tin Yau, 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.**
- ✧ **For personal requests.**

Order of Service	This Sunday	Next Sunday (01/04/18) Ch & Eng combined
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	Ride On, ride on in majesty (HfTC 119)	Christ the Lord is risen today (HOP 108)
<i>Greetings</i>	Jus Ng	Elizabeth Kho (E) Frederick Wong (C)
<i>Praise & Worship</i>	Evelyn Poon	Yvette Lim
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	Psalms 118: 1 - 2; 19 - 28 Jimmy Kho	Acts 10: 34 - 43 (E) Edwin Lam
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	Mark 11: 1—11 Jus Ng	Mark 16: 1 - 8 (C) Frederick Wong
<i>Message</i>	Here Comes The King ! Ps Margaret Chong	Ad Yong Thiam Choy
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	Chia Khen Sang	Ps Soo Nyuk Fong (C)
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	When I survey the wondrous Cross (HfTC 147)	I serve a risen Saviour (HOP 110)
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	Jesus Saves ! (HOP 152)	Low in the grave He lay (HfTC 158)
Serving One Another :		
Cell Group Leader	EMMANUEL (Elizabeth Kho)	YOUTH & M.A.D. YOUTH (Timothy Wong)
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	Mr & Mrs William Chow Annie Chok, Ivy Khong	Chinese team & Eng M.A.D. Youth
Sidesmen	Mr & Mrs Terence Fung Francis Voo, Lena Wong	Chinese team & Eng M.A.D. Youth
Server	Charles Chong	Eddie Wong, Lim Hon Fen
Prayer Ministry	Denny Chong, Lue Fui Hua	-
Offertory Count	Ngu Ngok Yoon (C) Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah Wong Siu Fong Margaret Ho	Hiew Syn Fah & team (Ch) Rosie Chia, Yee Chee Hong Betty Kwan, Melissa Ong Cindy Liew, Alvin Wong
Washing up	Cindy Liew, Elizabeth Kho	—

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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