

G A L I L E E

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Church Theme Verse 2020: John 17:17

“Sanctify them through Thy truth:

THY WORD IS TRUTH.”

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“IN GALILEE ... there's a great light”

8.30 am, Lord's Day

ORDER OF WORSHIP

6 December 2020

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Pianist: Isaac Chung

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

PRELUDE ...

INTROIT [#216]

“The Lord Is In His Holy Temple”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Soo Lap Ki

OPENING HYMN #122

“Glorious Is Thy Name”

PRAISE & WORSHIP... Dn Tan Siong Teck

#278 “Angels We Have Heard On High”

#270 “Joy To The World!”

INVOCATION

GLORIA PATRI [#812]

“Glory Be To The Father”

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 50: 14-23

Mr Matthew Wee

OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY [#815]

HOLY COMMUNION

PASTORAL PRAYER

MESSAGE

“The Humiliation Of The Proud”

Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

Judges 13-16

CLOSING HYMN #682

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE ...

In compliance with MCCY
Covid-19 Advisory:
No congregational
singing during Worship
Service in the Sanctuary.

WELCOME
to our worship service



Psalm 96:6

Honour and Majesty are before Him:
strength and beauty are in His Sanctuary.

In-Person Worship Service
Broadcast Live & available
on Galilee Website.

Galilee Church, Lord's Day, 6 December

Brethren,
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord
and Saviour Jesus Christ!

A story was told: A lone survivor from a shipwreck reached a small, uninhabited island. He prayed God to rescue him... but help didn't come. Eventually, he built a hut out of driftwood for protection from the elements. One day, upon returning from scavenging for food, he found his hut in flames, and smoke rising into the sky. Angrily, he cried, "O God, how could you do this to me?" Exhausted, he dropped off to sleep. The next morning, he was awakened by rescuers. "How did you know I was here?" he asked. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

Susan Lenzkes in her book "LIFE IS LIKE LICKING HONEY OFF A THORN" wrote that some people are optimists who "camp in pleasures and good memories", denying the brokenness. Others are pessimists who "focus on life's losses, losing joy and victory in the process". But people of faith are realists who "receive it all — all the good and bad of life — and repeatedly choose to know that God really loves us and is constantly at work for our good and His glory."

Admittedly, not everything that comes our way is good. There is nothing good about COVID-19, natural calamities, fractured relationships or permanent physical disability. In such times, we wonder whether God is really with us, that He loves us and cares for us? In trying times especially, it will do us well to remember God's character and His virtues. Evangelist and teacher Oswald Chambers articulated succinctly -- "The circumstances of a saint's life are ordained of God. In the life of a saint there is no such thing as chance. God by His providence brings you into circumstances that you can't understand at all, but the Spirit of God understands". Yes, Christians believe in God's providence, not "chance". When we face disappointments or failures, we have to make a choice — how we will respond. We can allow the adverse circumstances to cause us to lose hope in God. Or, we can decide to exercise greater faith in a faithful God, trusting Him to walk us through the trials, so that we will emerge closer drawn to Him, and receive blessings which God will work out for us out of our disappointments.

When we quote Romans 8:28, we often begin with the words: "All things work together for good". But this verse really starts like this: **"We know** that all things work together for good to those who love God". **Our "knowing" comes by our faith in God and in His Word**, confident that our loving Heavenly Father will never forsake us. With every difficult change in life, God encompasses us with His love. We only need to trust in His eternal Purpose. God is faithful, compassionate and merciful. He works out every circumstance in life for our ultimate good and blessing. God has a Plan for our all lives — "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end" Jeremiah 29:11. Thanks be to God!

Brethren, why should we fear change when it comes from an unchangeable and unchanging God Whose love for us never ceases and His mercies never come to an end? Every new phase in life is within God's Plan and Purpose for each of us. God has promised a "safe landing" but not necessarily a "calm passage". The tough patches of life may crack our facades and reveal our deep need for God. They actually help to tear our grip away from the world and draw our hearts closer toward God. God is in control of the harshest events in our lives and He works them to our advantage and for our ultimate good.

Whenever it seems that your last hope has gone up in smoke, remember God's precious truth and wait patiently upon Him: **"We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His Purpose"** Romans 8:28. When God says that **all** things work together for good to those who love Him, He means **all** things — even the unprecedented challenges of 2020! Thank God for sustaining us through the past months. Let's continue to trust God for a "good" Year 2021 in the Lord, a year of walking in a closer relationship with God, a year of encouraging and spurring each other on to greater service unto our Lord. Amen!

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

—Romans 8:28

Pastor Simon N.



Mon- Wed, 7-9 Dec Sunday School Devotional Vacation Bible Study
8.00 am – 1.00 pm

Wednesday 7.30 pm Bible Study/Prayer Meeting***
9 Dec - 9.30 pm Pastor Simon N. - The Minor Prophets: Malachi
Zoom ID: 605 758 5352; Password BS/PM
Rev Philip Heng – Sins against the Holy Spirit
Zoom ID: 979 8355 0297; Password 066786
Mrs Lee May San: Ladies' BS - Book of Hebrews
Zoom ID: 727 911 4854; Password WEDLADBS

Saturday TF/YF -- Daily Vacation Bible School
12 Dec Message : "Man's Total Depravity & God's Marvellous Grace"
8.00 am - 8.00 pm Speaker : Bro John Caleb
I/C: Julia Ng, Kaitlyn Lim
10.00 am **GEM** Christmas Meeting (MWS Rm)
"Christmas Traditions & Myths"
Devotions by Elder Charles Phua I/C: Dn Ricky Chng
10.30 am **Board of Elders' Meeting*****
3.45 pm **YAF** – Book Review#6 (John Piper)
"Coronavirus And Christ"
(AV Studio L3) I/C: Dn Tan Siong Teck

Lord's Day 8.00 am Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary & Zoom)
13 Dec 8.30 am ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE**
Preacher : Rev Quek Keng Khwang (Life BPC)
Chairman/Scripture Reader : Dn Tai Fatt Weng
Worship Team Leader : Mr Daryl Tan
Message : "The Hope Of Redemption" (Ruth)
** [Broadcast Live & available on Galilee Website]
11.00 am Sunday School [Pr/Sec/Senior]***
11.15 am Adults' SS [Pastor Simon]***
11.15 am Young Adults' SS [Pr David Cher]***
11.15 am Senior Adults' SS [Rev Ong HK, Dn Ricky Chng]***
*** Via Video-Conferencing
10.30 am MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE**
Preacher : Rev Freddy Yong
Message : "The Greatness Of God" Habakkuk 3:1-19

GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE

6 December 2020, 10.30 am Today

Preacher : Rev Freddy Yong

Message : "God's Knowledge Fills The Earth" Habakkuk 2:6-20

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**WORSHIP
SERVICES**

	Speaker	Message
Lord's Day, 6 Dec, 8.30 am (Holy Communion)	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan	The Humiliation Of The Proud (Judges 13-16)
Lord's Day, 13 Dec, 8.30 am	Rev Quek Keng Khwang (Life BPC)	The Hope Of Redemption (Ruth)
Lord's Day, 20 Dec, 8.30 am CHRISTMAS SUNDAY BAPTISMAL SERVICE Christmas Caroling 4.00 pm	Preacher David Cher	The Prince Of Peace (Isaiah 9; Luke 2)
Thursday, 24 Dec, 8.00 pm (Combined WS) CHRISTMAS EVE PRAISE SERVICE	Rev Freddy Yong	Long Time Ago (Micah 2)
Saturday, 26 December, 5.00 pm YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE (Room #03-01) "Ministering One To Another" (Matthew 20: 20-28) Speaker: Rev William Yap (Evangel BPC)		
Lord's Day 27 Dec, 8.30 am	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan	God Calls A Prophet (1 Samuel 1-3)
Thursday, 31 Dec, 8.00 pm WATCHNIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan	Give Thanks! 1 Chronicles 16:34



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 For unto
 you is
 born this
 day in the
 city of David
 a saviour, which
 is Christ the Lord.
 Luke
 2:11



**Bible Memory Verse
December 2020**

Psalm 119:173

Let Thine Hand help me;
for I have chosen
Thy Precepts"

CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING DECEMBER 2020



	Week 1 (29 November - 5 December 2020) ▪ Ecclesiastes 1 – Song of Songs 2						
	Week 2 (6 – 12 December 2020) ▪ Song of Songs 3 – 2 Chronicles 18						
	6 Dec Sun	7 Dec Mon	8 Dec Tue	9 Dec Wed	10 Dec Thurs	11 Dec Fri	12 Dec Sat
	Song 3-4	Song 5-6	Song 7-8	2 Chron 10-11	2 Chron 12-13	2 Chron 14-16	2 Chron 17-18
	Week 3 (13 – 19 December 2020) ▪ 2 Chronicles 19 - 30						
Week 4 (20 – 26 December 2020) ▪ 2 Chronicles 31 - 1 Kings 12							

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

**Lord's Day, 6 Dec, 8.30 am
(Holy Communion Service)**

Holy Communion will be served.
For online WS attendees, please get ready plain bread and a mini-cup of grape juice. You will be guided via the online screen.

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY BAPTISMAL SERVICE 20 Dec 2020

Worshippers seeking Holy Baptism, Confirmation or Transfer-in, and parents who wish to have their infants baptized, are requested to contact Pastor Simon.

USAGE OF GALILEE CHURCH PREMISES

7-9 December, Mon - Wed

8.00 am – 1.00 pm

Galilee Sunday School

Devotional Vacation Bible Study

19 December, Saturday

8.00 am – 3.00 pm

Galilee Love Our Neighbours Outreach

BOARD OF ELDERS' MEETING**

Saturday, 12 Dec, 10.30 am

SESSION MEETING**

Lord's Day, 20 Dec, 1.30 pm

** via Video-Conferencing



GALILEE B-P CHURCH
Sunday, 20 December 2020
4.00 pm – 6.00 pm

Christmas Caroling!

The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a Savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord..." Luke 2:9-11



2020 – What an unprecedented sombre year! The world suffers the ill-effects of Covid-19 Pandemic. Christmas 2020 can make a difference to many. More than 2,000 years ago, the angels proclaimed Glad Tidings Of Great Joy – The Birth of a Saviour Who is Christ the Lord!

- ❖ You are welcome to participate, offer to play host (for a limited number only) just like our past caroling through the years.
- ❖ Or, you can render special carol items.

We look forward to thank God together for His special gift to mankind with a small group of 5.

*May God's glory shine upon us
and our loved ones this Christmas.
Let's come together, share, rejoice
and celebrate Hope together!*

Invite friends of 5 (number as per Government Covid-19 guidelines) to your home. No singing is allowed, unless you are alone with your own family.

More details will follow in coming weeks.

Please register your interest with ICs:

Matthew Tan (9772 7538); Matthias Ho (9177 4034)

GEM Christmas Meeting

Date : Saturday, 12 Dec 2020

Place : MWS Room Level 3

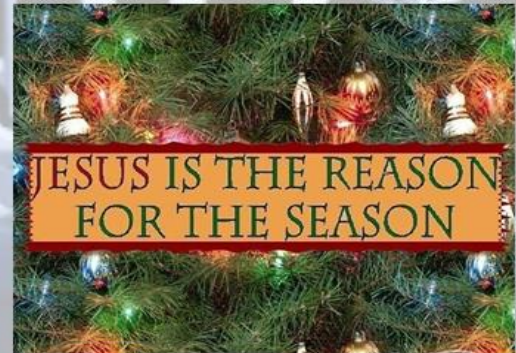
Time : 10.00 am

Devotions by : Elder Charles Phua

Topic : Christmas Traditions & Myths

**You are invited to this year-closing
GEM meeting for a time of fellowship
& sharing of God's Goodness and
Devotions.**

Please Register with Sis Linda Phua



Really Free Market

*In line with Loving Our Neighbours, this year Galilee celebrates Christmas with Pandan residents, with a flea free market! **Do you have new and pre-loved items in good condition to give away?** E.g:*

- Small electrical household appliances (e.g. air-fryers, blenders, food steamers, bread makers, hair dryers, vacuum cleaners)
- Clothing / accessories
- Halal pre-packed/ canned food
- Daily sundries (e.g. toothbrushes, detergent)



Date: **Saturday 19 Dec 2020**

Time: **10am to 2pm**

Location: Galilee B-P Church

No more than 50 people in church at all times

I want to help with event planning or publicity!

Contact Sis
Candice Sek
@ **98761571**
by 5 Dec 2020

I have things in good condition to give away!

Can I contribute cash?

Yes! PayNow to Galilee BP Church (UEN:S86SS0054ABPC) and state **Love Our Neighbours** in the reference field.



JUNIOR & SENIOR CATECHISM CLASSES 2021

Worshippers seeking membership in Galilee are invited to sign up with:

- Preacher David Cher... for **Junior Catechism Classes**
- Pastor Simon/Pastoral team... for **Senior Catechism Classes**

Classes will be held on Sundays after Worship Service. In light of the COVID-19 situation, classes will be conducted on-site in church, or via Zoom. More details will be available nearer to commencement of classes.

YEAR 2021	
Junior & Senior Catechism Class Schedule 2021	To prepare Catechumens for Holy Baptism/Confirmation/Transfer-in on....
January to March 2021	Easter Sunday Worship Service Lord's Day, 4 April 2021
April to June 2021	Galilee 61st Anniversary Worship Service Lord's Day, 6 June 2021
June to December 2021	Christmas Sunday Worship Service Lord's Day, 19 December 2021

Church Announcements

To facilitate Galilee Church to apply for approval to conduct In-Person Worship Services for above 100 persons (up to 150 persons, and subsequently to 250), all congregants attending Galilee Church are requested (as required by the Government) to:

1. Download the Trace Together App into your respective hand-phones; or
2. Collect your individual Trace Together Token when it is available from Government-designated locations.

Without Items 1 & 2 in place, Galilee Church cannot apply to hold In-Person Worship Services beyond the current 100 persons limit.

Please note that the current Safe Entry QR Code or Scanning of physical NRIC will not be acceptable for attending Worship Services of more than 100 participants.

Thank you for your kind understanding and co-operation.