# I WILL SING TO THE LORD AS LONG AS I LIVE;

I WILL SING PRAISE TO MY GOD WHILE I HAVE BEING





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**English Services & Livestream** 

# Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: Psalm 104:1-35 ESV

Message: Praise the LORD, Our Creator God

Response Hymn: Creation Sings the Father's Song

Mission Focus; Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

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#### Welcome

We are pleased to welcome you to worship with us! If you are new to Zion Bishan, do drop us a note on our contact form and our hospitality team will get in touch with you in the coming week.

http://www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf

## Our Sunday services at a glance

#### **In-Person Sunday Services**

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/services

8.30am Mandarin service

9.00am Hokkien service

9.30am Tamil Service

8.30am/10.30am/3.00pm/5.00pm

**English service** 

10.30am Mandarin-English service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

#### Join us for our livestream

www.youtube.com/zionbishan

10.30am/3.00pm English service

www.zionbishan.org.sg/chineselivestream

8.30am Mandarin service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

**10.30am** Mandarin-English service Zoom Livestream (ID: 83150901877)

# Join Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF) Bible

**Study Groups** (Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf

8.45am DHF 1A

(in English, for all nationalities) via zoom

**8.45am** DHF 2 (in Myanmar language) hybrid, in person in The Living Room and via zoom

2.30pm DHF 3

(in Bahasa Indonesia) via zoom

**8.45pm** Domestic Helpers Fellowship 1B (in English, for all nationalities) via zoom

#### Join Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

(Registration required):

www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

# Serving You Today

Speaker: Ps Vernon Quek

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Joseph Chan Worship Leader: Eld Sonny Tan

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 4

#### 10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chiew Meng Worship Leader: Eld Chuah Chin Yew Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 4

#### 3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee Worship Leader: Eld David Leong

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 4

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Service Coordinator: Danny Chua Worship Leader: Dn Chan Kin Yip

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 4

### **Pastors and Ministry Staff**

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#### Sermon Notes

# Praise the LORD, Our Creator God

Psalm 104

22 May 2022 Ps Vernon Quek

Intro: Bless the LORD, praise His Name! (v1 & v35b)

i. Because He is the very great Creator...(v1-9)

ii. Who still sovereignly sustains all Creation...(v10-30)

iii. And will bring His Creation to perfection! (v35a)

**Conclusion: Our Required Response** (v31-34)

### **Questions for Reflection and Discussion**

- 1. How has Psalm 104 helped your heart to bless our Creator God today?
- 2. Why is God's final judgement (v35a) something to praise God for? How would you explain this to a non-Christian?
- 3. What are some concrete steps you can take to ensure that you will continue to have a heart of praise for our Creator every day?
- 4. What are one or two practical ways that we as a Zion Bishan family can grow a culture of praising our Creator God together?

## **Prayer Points**

### **Our Church**

ACM - The leadership had presented the needs and plans of the church during the dialogue. Many legitimate concerns have also been raised. Session heard the requests for further dialogue and hence will do so in the coming ACM. Pray for a good time of discussion and for the unity of hearts and spirit. Pray above all for God's will be done in us, and through us, to the glory of His name and for the building up of God's people.

#### English as Second Language (ESL) Ministry

- Thank God for the teachers and students who have been coming back for class inperson. Pray for the teachers to be able to rest well during the upcoming short break in June, and for strength and guidance as they prepare for the new semester in July. The ministry is still in need of more teachers, pray that more will step forward to serve.

# **Our People**

**Bro Alex Kiu** - Do keep in prayer Brother Alex who had a fall on Sunday and suffered a stroke. Thank God for his two timely brain surgeries. He is still sedated in the ICU. Pray for God's grace to see him through and lead him to recovery. Pray also for the family for God's strength and comfort to fill their hearts.

**KY** - Thank God for the past 6 months opportunity to be in West Asia, serving with an NGO there to help a marginalised unreached people group, the Y people, with her social work skills. KY is back in Singapore for a short time for a training

and also family time. She returns at the end of May. Pray that she will be able to serve the people there effectively and that her family will be healthy in her absence. Pray also for good progress in her language studies.

#### Our World

**Lebanon -** Citizens here would now risk dying on dangerous boat crossings to Cyprus and other countries rather than stay in Lebanon. Their rationale, they are dying anyway in Lebanon. Years of corruption, mismanagement of its resources, and the massive warehouse explosion in 2020 has led to great hardship in Beirut and other cities. Pray that the coming elections on June 5, that it would lead to better management of the country's resources and begin a recovery of the social and economic situation here. Praise God for the many opportunities for ministry to refugees, and native Lebanese made poor by the nation's collapse. Pray for adequate provision of resources and wisdom for our partners as they try to serve the many needs.

Philippines - A mission team will be bringing basic food necessities and hygiene packs to 40 families living in Carol-an and Ilog regions from 23 May onwards. Pray for smooth journey and good time of engagement in these communities. Our partner, SMO (Student Missionary Outreach) hopes to form new ministries in these regions.

#### Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestreams#	182	
English Service 8.30am*	115	
English Service 10.30am*	336	20.00
English Service 3pm*	124	
English Service 5pm*	85	
Chinese Service Livestream#	16	
Chinese Service 8.30am*	78	390.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	5	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am*	44	903.00
ME Service & Zoom	72	
Hokkien Service*	42	433.00
Tamil Service*	20	349.00
DHF	14	
TOTAL	1133	\$2,095.00
*All in-person attendance includes serving personnel		
*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewe	rs	
Electronic Transfer		\$48,167.16
WEEKLY TOTAL		\$50,262.16

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Electronic Transfer	\$4,893.60
Weekly Total	\$4,893.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,030,583.46

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,045

# **Church Family News**

- Deepest condolences to the family of Mr Low Kong Fee, aged 90, who went Home to the Lord on 14 May 2022. He was the father of Peter Low, father-in-law of Rebecca Sim, grandfather to Paul and Timothy. Please uphold the bereaved family in prayer.
- 2. Pastor Alby is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.
- 3. Ng Zhiwen is preaching at Moriah BP Church today.
- 4. Congratulations to our members who graduated in their respective theological studies programmes, at the Convocation Service of the Biblical Graduate School of Theology on May 21:

Elder Michael Gan - *Graduate Certificate in Biblical Studies* 

Rachel Lee - *Graduate Certificate in Biblical Studies*Darrell Tan - *Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies*Danny Chua - *Graduate Diploma in Christian Studies*Jacqueline Lie - *Graduate Diploma in Christian Studies* 

May the theological learning you have acquired equip you for every good work in the home, church, and workplace.

# Info for Giving

For tithes and offering:
General & Missions Fund



DBS Current A/C: 070-901056-3 PayNow: T10SS0029GGMF ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH

To give towards the Land Lease Renewal Fund: General Project Fund



DBS Current A/C: 070-901055-5
PayNow: T10SS0029GGPF
ZION BISHAN BP CHURCH – GPF
Indicate "Land Lease Renewal
Fund" on back of cheque
(Please provide your CONTACT
NUMBER on each cheque)

# **Looking Ahead**

Friday, 27 May

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

(Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm)

Saturday, 28 May

4.00pm: Virtual ACM 2022

(Access via the YouTube link from your ACM Notice)

Please note that there will be no YF

Sunday, 29 May

English Worship Services (Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/english-services)

8.30am

Shepherding Team: Ps Zheng Haoren, Ng Zhiwen & Eld

Sonny Tan

10.30am

Shepherding Team: Ps Alby Yip, Eld Foo Say Chiang &

Eld Chuah Chin Yew

3.00pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Vernon Quek, Eld Roland Low,

Eld Michael Gan & & Eld David Leong

5.00pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Dev Menon, Eld Jeffery Lim &

**Eld Reginald Tan** 

**May Family Sermon** 

**29 May** Why Family? – *Ps Dev* 

**Pentecost Sunday** 

5 Jun – Morning Services:

What Does It Take to be a Winning Church?

- Rev Oh Boon Leong

Afternoon Services:

Pentecost - Ps David

### Your Response

22 May 2022

Thank you for joining us today! If there's anything you would like the church to know, do reach out to us online or via email.

Get in touch with us:

- If you are joining us for the first time
- to find out more
- to request prayer
- to provide feedback
- to send a word of encouragement

You may find our response form www.zionbishan.org.sg/rf

Or email us at **office@zionbishan.org.sg** 

Confidential care & counselling matters, please email care@zionbishan.org.sg

Please note that the church will retain and use your submitted data as needed to process your indicated response.

# **Christianity Explored, March 2022**

Christianity Explored (CE) is a course we run twice a year. The objective of the course is as its name suggests — inviting seekers to come explore Christianity over 7 sessions in the Gospel of Mark. The run that just concluded was smaller than past years. We had 6 table hosts and 2 tables, with 5 seekers and their friends spread across them. It was a little discouraging at first, but we quickly realized and appreciated the advantages that a smaller group brings.

The smaller groups translated to better conversations, as there are more opportunities to hear from each participant. This was especially helpful for difficult conversations, about sin, grace, or the cost of following Jesus. Not all of the participants end up accepting Christ by the end of the course. In fact, most don't! But what is still encouraging is that most agree to some sort of follow up by the end of the course. Praise God!

How can you continue to support CE and its future runs?

- Do continue praying for these participants who are being followed up with. Pray for the Spirit to be working as they hear the truths of the Gospel. Pray also for those following up that they will continue to speak Jesus to these ones faithfully and patiently.
- Consider joining the next run as a table host! We are always looking for new table hosts, so we can equip more to be able to share Christ. The next run will be starting in September, and training will start in August.

Finally, let me leave you with a passage we looked at in our last table host training:

But we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. (1 Cor 1:23-24)

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One of the big concerns many people have (including our table hosts) is dealing with intellectually difficult questions in evangelism. This passage reminds us that evangelism is not about winning arguments. What we're most concerned with is faithful preaching of Christ crucified. It might seem foolish to the world, but in reality He is the power and wisdom of God. May this be an encouragement to us to continue preaching the crucified Jesus! Hope to see some of you at the next run of CE!



(Table Hosts not in Picture: Quek Aik Wu, Rachelle Tham)

# **Announcements**

# Annual Congregational Meeting 2022 28 May, Saturday, 4-6pm

- Members are reminded to join in as one family of God for the ACM via livestream
- Access via the YouTube link from your ACM Notice.
- Please attend the ACM in person if you wish to participate in the Q&A.
- Please submit your Proxy Form by TODAY if you have not done so.
- Forms are available at the entrance.

## SENIORS360 WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES Learning Ukulele from scratch

Playing ukulele can improve your brain function and mental performance, besides sharpening your concentration.

Join us to learn ukulele from scratch!

Invite a friend along.

Dates: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays,

commencing July

(12 July, 26 July, 23 Aug, 13 Sept)

Time: 10am - 11.30am

Venue: MPH

Sign up via this link: https://bit.ly/3M8h7LT

# Hiring – Looking for a part-time PA/AV technical support staff

Contact Mr Tan: <a href="mailto:gmtan@zionbishan.org.sg">gmtan@zionbishan.org.sg</a> for further details.

# Registration for 2023 @ Zion Bishan Kindergarten (ZBK)\*

Phase 1 Registration: <u>16 to 27 May</u> <u>2022</u> for Church Members and Siblings of 7BK students and Alumni

Age Group: N1, N2, K1, K2 (3 years old to 6 years old)

Applications received after the Phase 1 deadline will not be given priority for registration.

**Call 63538083** (9.00am to 4.00pm) for more information or to schedule an onsite visit of the school.

#### **HURRY! LIMITED VACANCIES!**

\*Kindly note that ZBK is in the process of converting to a childcare centre in Y2023, offering half-day and full-day programme (pending successful licensing by the Early Childhood Development Agency).

# Youth Fellowship (YF) Every Saturday, 4.00-6.00pm, Chapel

Follow us on Instagram @zionbishanyf — weekly registration link will be posted.

Contact Dns Ee Wern (9650 5440) or Jacqueline (9322 7629) to find out more about Youth Ministry!