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English Services

Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs

Scripture Reading: John 1:1-18 ESV

Message: Come and Stand Amazed
The Good News of the Incarnation

Response Hymn: Here I am to Worship

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

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.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 Ng Zhiwen

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Sharon Quek

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Worship Leader: Eld Chuah Chin Yew

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 3

3.00pm

Service Coordinator: Vanessa Lee

Worship Leader: Eld Roland Low

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 3

5.00pm

Service Coordinator: Danny Chua

Worship Leader: Timothy Ong

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 3

Pastors and Ministry Staff

E-mail: *user ID* followed by @zionbishan.org.sg

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	<i>alby</i>
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>dev</i>
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	<i>ebi</i>
Rev Kew See Seong, <i>Pastor (Mand)</i>	<i>sskew</i>
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	<i>jtlim</i>
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	<i>daniel</i>
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>vernon</i>
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor</i>	<i>zhiwen</i>
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Hokkien)</i>	<i>paul</i>
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	<i>emily</i>
Mrs June Tan, <i>Children's Ministry</i>	<i>june</i>
Mrs Sharon Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	<i>sharon</i>
Mr Danny Chua, <i>AG/Safeguarding</i>	<i>danny</i>
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Assoc Min Staff</i>	<i>tzeming</i>
Miss Jacqueline Lie, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	<i>jacqueline</i>
Miss Vanessa Lee, <i>Women's Worker</i>	<i>vanessa</i>
Mr Joel Khoo, <i>YAs/Discipleship</i>	<i>joel</i>
Rev Dr David Wong, <i>Advisory Pastor</i>	
Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	

Confidential Care & Counselling e-mail:
care@zionbishan.org.sg

Come and Stand Amazed

The Good News of the Incarnation

John 1:1-18

20 November 2022

Ps Ng Zhiwen

Intro

In the year of our Lord Jesus Christ

In the Beginning was the Word... And the Word became Flesh

Let there be Light

This is what God is like

Come and stand amazed

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. What do you recall from the sermon? Read and meditate on John 1:1-18. What is the Incarnation? In what way is it amazing?
2. Why is the Incarnation good news? How has the truth of the Incarnation been good news for you?
3. Pray throughout this season and ask the Lord who He wants you to witness to about the good news of Jesus and His coming.

Prayer Points

Our Church

Enabling Ministry - In our ongoing ministry efforts thus far, we thank the Lord for our partnership with Koinonia Inclusion Network (KIN) and their guidance. Pray too that the Leadership Engagement Workshop that will be held this Saturday (26 Nov) will be a fruitful time of learning and growing in our understanding of the need for disability inclusion within our Zion Bishan family.

Our People

Emmanuel BP Church is a 45 year old sister church along Pemimpin Drive (some 2km from Zion Bishan). It is blessed to have purchased its premises in a modern 999year leasehold industrial building more than 10 years back. With a congregation of just slightly over 60 members, pray for its efforts to attract & grow numerically with new and younger people to serve God's mission in the next generation. Pray for Ps David Leong as he ministers to this congregation

Indonesia Trip - Thank God for the opportunity for Sharon Q, Grace K and Nurman K. to visit ministry work in Indonesia next week. Pray for journey mercies and fruitful time of visiting various partners. May this trip help us know how to bless each other more in the work of the Kingdom.

Our World

India – Praise God for various ministry efforts to reach the vast harvest in India. One partner reported growth in their schools and hence the need for more committed teachers to meet this growth. Another partner in the Northeast is looking to help take over a slum ministry. Pray that this transition would be smooth and for the little community of believers here to grow. For another partner, pray that a health training for pastors that is being planned will bless remote villages in various places. Pray that the right resource persons can be found for this training.

Nepal – Praise God that the last member of the Nepal Mission team has returned safely this week. Pray a smooth transition back to Singapore and consolidation of all that the trip has taught the various ones in the team. Thank God for the opportunity to encourage, share and pray with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ as they minister to their own people in various cities, towns and villages in West Nepal. May the believers here grow firm and strong in their faith.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestream#	84	
English Service 8.30am	120	1,900.00
English Service 10.30am	374	
English Service 3pm	120	
English Service 5pm	77	
Chinese Service Livestream#	30	
Chinese Service 8.30am	79	382.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream#	4	
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am	50	533.00
ME Service & Zoom	51	
Hokkien Service	74	664.00
Tamil Service	21	903.75
DHF	16	
TOTAL	1100	4,382.75

#Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

*Please note that the bank has imposed a charge of **\$50.75 for every cheque deposit**. You are encouraged to use electronic transfer for offering to the church.*

Electronic Transfer	\$73,622.41
BSF Men & Women	\$1,492.35
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$79,497.51

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

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1848-49	\$1,100.00
Electronic Transfer	\$8,908.60
Weekly Total	\$10,008.60
Total Gift Received To-Date	\$9,304,283.30

Church Family News

1. Congratulations to Sean Teo & Joy Fu as they entered into holy matrimony on 12 November 2022!
2. Congratulations to John & Joy on the birth of their firstborn son, Micah Lee, on 13 November 2022! Congratulations also to grandparents, Nam Sua and Rosalind.
3. Pastor Alby is preaching at Hokkien service today.
4. Our deepest condolences and sympathy to the families of:
 - Mr Tan Tee Seng, aged 93, went Home on 13 November 2022. He was the husband of Mdm Lee Choi Hwa (ZBCS).
 - Mr Jackson Aw, aged 66, went Home on 16 November 2022. He was the husband of Sherene, father of Sheryl & Meryl.

Please uphold the bereaved families in prayer.

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, 25 Nov

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

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

Saturday, 26 Nov

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

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

Sunday, 27 Nov

English Worship Services

8.30am

Shepherding Team: Ps 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

5.00pm

Shepherding Team: Ps Dev Menon,
Eld Chan Kin Yip & Eld Reginald Tan

Christmas Evangelistic Series:

27 Nov – AM SERVICES

The Ancestors: They waited for Him
(Matthew 1:1-17)
– Mr Quek Tze-Ming

PM SERVICES

The Prophets: They spoke about Him
(Isaiah 7:10-14; Matthew 1:22-23)
– Mr Joel Khoo

Your Response

20 November 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.*

THANKS FOR YOUR RESPONSE

Missional Communities

How effective is a new congregation?

Over the last year, the afternoon congregations have been closely monitoring our 'stats' so-to-speak. Despite being generally smaller, we have had close to 200 unique newcomers at the 3pm service, with about 30+ who have stayed on and joined AGs – with some signing up for baptism or transfer. The 5pm has had close to 100 unique visitors, with about 20 who have stayed. All this is thanks to the hard work of those who have been doing the personal follow-up.

We know from extensive research¹ among urban churches, that new groups - assuming they have a trained leader and an initial critical mass of committed believers - tend to be much more effective in reaching newcomers for Christ and are more intentional in discipling one another. *Generally, they are known to be more missional.*

We also know that once a group reaches a certain size or has been meeting for a certain duration, it tends to turn inwards and is more concerned about existing members than newcomers. *Generally, they are known to become more comfortable.*

That is why, despite the fact we are now consolidating the afternoon congregations into a single 4.30pm congregation co-led by Pastor Vernon and myself, we are still intentionally working towards training new leaders to start new groups in the future.

In fact, we want to do this more aggressively. Train new leaders, to start new AGs. Train new shepherds, to start new congregations and plant new churches. We will be allocating more of our time and energy into doing this.

Friends, if we want to reach more for Christ, **forming Missional Communities** is something that must become part of ZB's DNA. It is time to #getsent for the kingdom!



1 <https://redeemercitycity.com/articles-stories/why-plant-churches>

Announcements

ZION BISHAN CHRISTMAS SERMON SERIES (2022)

God with us: People around the Birth

Who is this Jesus? And how does His life affect me? People have been asking these questions since the first Christmas; from His Ancestors, to the Prophets, to John the Baptist, to His mother Mary, and the Wise Men. This Christmas season, we explore their answers. Perhaps you, and the friends you invite, may find your own responses to Jesus. (*with meals after both Christmas Day Services)

Nov 20: “Come and Stand Amazed”
(John 1:1-18) – Ps Zhiwen

Nov 27:

AM: “The Ancestors: They waited for Him”
(Matt 1:1-17) – Mr Quek Tze-Ming

PM: “The Prophets: They spoke about Him”
(Isa 7:10-14; Matt 1:22-23) – Mr Joel Khoo

Dec 4:

AM: “The Prophets: They spoke about Him”
(Isa 7:10-14; Matt 1:22-23) – Mr Joel Khoo

PM: “The Ancestors: They waited for Him”
(Matt 1:1-17) – Mr Quek Tze-Ming

Dec 11:

AM: “John the Baptist: He prepared the Way for Him” (Luke 1:5-17; Isa 40:3-5; Mal 3:1-3) – Mr Danny Chua

PM: “Mary: She received Him”
(Luke 1:26-38) – Ps Dev

Dec 18:

AM: “Mary: She received Him”
(Luke 1:26-38) – Ps Dev

PM: “John the Baptist: He prepared the Way for Him” (Luke 1:5-17; Isa 40:3-5; Mal 3:1-3) – Mr Danny Chua

Dec 25:

(Christmas Day; 10.30 am and 4.30 pm)
“They Looked for Him”
(Matt 2:1-12) – Ps Alby

Dec 31 (Watchnight Service)

“He came; He is coming”
(Rev 21:3-5; 22:12, 20) – Ps Ebi

AWARENESS TALK:

THE ART OF GRIEVING WELL

2 Dec (Fri), 8 -9.30pm (Zoom)

Grief is a natural, human response to any kind of loss in life. Come learn what is loss and grief, common misconceptions, the grief process, and what recovery looks like.

Speaker: Joan Swee, Whispering Hope Sg

Organized by Peer Support Ministry

Register now at <https://bit.ly/3hqJN8u>

WOZ Christmas Gathering

Ladies, join us in hymns and carols on 17 Dec 2022, Saturday 6-8pm @Winnie’s place. Sign up with Lydia for attendance.

If you would like to contribute a dish, please contact Lydia at 8338 3982.

SENIORS RETREAT (English Language Only)

“Spur One Another On Towards Love and Good Deeds” (Hebrews 10:24, 25)

Seniors can still live out God’s calling! Enjoy an extended time of bonding and fellowship!

Date: 16 to 18 Feb 2023

Venue: Malacca

Speaker: Ps Eric Kwan

Fee: \$250 per pax (twin sharing) (signed up by 31 Dec 22) \$270 per pax after 2022

Sign up form: <https://bit.ly/3E5FHUB>

INFANT/CHILD BAPTISM

On 18 Dec 2022, Sunday

Parents presenting their children for baptism, please email to lydia@zionbishan.org.sg for form.