

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

REV 1:3

**BLESSED IS THE ONE
WHO READS ALOUD, HEARS
AND KEEPS THE WORDS OF THIS
PROPHECY, FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND**



ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Gloria Patri

Worship in Songs:

AM: Jerusalem, Crown Him with Many Crowns, Glorious Christ

PM: Jerusalem, All Heaven Declares

Scripture Reading: Revelation 1:9-20 ESV

Message: What Does the Church Most Need?

Response Hymn: Jesus is Lord

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

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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:

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/4.30pm English service

10.30am Mandarin-English service

10.45am Cantonese-Mandarin service

Domestic Helpers Fellowship (DHF)

Bible Study Groups (to join via Zoom, please register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/dhf)

8.45am DHF 1A (*in English, for all nationalities*) in person in Room 103

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 DHF 1B (*in English, for all nationalities*) via zoom

Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

Register interest: www.zionbishan.org.sg/cd-ud

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp (94225703)

Keep up to date with our latest bulletin and church announcements:

www.zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

Serving You Today

Speaker: Mr Gwilym Davies

Gwilym Davies is a part-time Tutor on the Cornhill Training Course in London, spending the rest of his time at St Helen's Bishopsgate, where he oversees the training of ministry apprentices and the international student ministry. He was also the campus pastor of SMU Christian Fellowship from 2012-2016, and the author of 'Get Preaching: Application'

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Justin Low

Worship Leader: Dn Tay Beng Hwee

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Dn Mervyn Phan

Worship Leader: Dn Tiew Chew Meng

Vocalist & Musicians: Morning Team 2

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Joel Khoo

Worship Leader: Dn Peter Wang

Vocalist & Musicians: Afternoon Team 2

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, Senior Pastor	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, Pastor	9829 6051
Rev Ebinezar Mohan, Pastor (Tamil)	8198 9696
Rev Kew See Seong, Pastor (Mand)	9489 4967
Rev Lim Jit Thye, Pastor (Cant-Mand)	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, Pastor (Mand-Eng)	8428 0525
Rev Vernon Quek, Pastor	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, Pastor	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, Pastor (Hokkien)	9751 1897
Mrs Emily Quek, Special Projects	9001 2926
Mrs June Tan, Children's Ministry	8388 1883
Mrs Sharon Quek, Overseas Ministries	9788 0195
Mr Danny Chua, AG/Safeguarding	9239 4160
Mr Quek Tze-Ming, Assoc Min Staff	9060 8340
Miss Jacqueline Lie, Youth Ministry	9322 7629
Miss Vanessa Lee, Women's Worker	9880 4507
Mr Joel Khoo, YAs/Discipleship	9368 9221
Mr Timothy Ong, <i>Missions Education</i>	9271 5785
Rev Dr David Wong, <i>Advisory Pastor</i>	
Rev Dr Quek Swee Hwa, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	

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care@zionbishan.org.sg

What Does the Church Most Need?

Revelation 1:9-20

Intro: What does the Church most need?

Context: A book written for the churches - real churches

What the Church most needs is to...

- 1. Remember Jesus, the One speaking**

- 2. Remember where He is**

- 3. Remember what He has done**

Conclusion

Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

1. In what ways might we be tempted to have a smaller view of the Lord Jesus?
2. John's letter was written to churches that were struggling with complacency, compromise and persecution. Do you think your congregation struggles with any of those things?
3. If it does, how does this vision of the Lord Jesus help us? How might it help us when...
 - ... we're half-hearted about following Jesus?
 - ... we're tempted to fit in with the world around us?
 - ... we're facing opposition or persecution for our faith?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Heartland Project Taskforce - Pray for this taskforce as it meets to work out a framework and plan for the heartlands project- to help each home missions ministry work towards a worshipping community for the ones they reach.

Christianity Explored (CE) Table Hosts Training – This Wednesday, CE table hosts training begins. Pray for the table hosts as we spend time thinking about what God’s Word has to say about evangelism and how we do it. Pray not just for skills to be equipped, but hearts to be prepared to share the Good News of Jesus with those who are seeking! We’re still looking for more table hosts, more details on the announcement page.

Guest Workers Outreach - Thank God for the combined efforts of our people from Tamil and English services in reaching out to the guest (migrant) workers at Terusan Recreation Center on alternate Sundays (afternoon). Please pray for a breakthrough to touch the hearts of these workers as we engage them through playing badminton, conducting spoken English classes and converse with them over a cup of tea and vadai. And for more of our members with a burden for these workers to join us as volunteers.

Our Nation

Singapore’s National Day – Pray for our nation as we celebrate our 58th National Day. Pray for our leaders as they steer the country through this dark episode and for the people to unite as one.

Our World

Nepal and ZB Disciple-Making Team Training (11-15 Aug) – Pray for Sharon, 4 others from our church and 3 persons from our Nepal partners as we come together for a retreat from 11-15 August. This retreat will be in person in a nearby country. We will be spending some precious time together in person to pray and learn together about what it means to make disciples in our various contexts. May we have a fruitful time of listening to God and to faithfully take the gospel to places and peoples where it is little known.

National Days (Afghanistan, India, Indonesia) – As Singapore celebrates our National Day, we give thanks for the peace and blessings God has given to Singapore and His church here. Let us also pray for our World and these nations that also celebrate their national days this month (India on 15th, Indonesia on 17th and Afghanistan on 19th). May we in Singapore remember that God’s blessings are not to be hoarded for ourselves, but to be sacrificially shared with other nations in their gospel need.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering (\$)
English Service Livestream*	15	
English Service 8:30am	177	1,611.50
English Service 10:30am	510	
English Service 4:30pm	233	
Chinese Service Livestream*	7	
Chinese Service 8:30am	97	1,425.00
Cant/Mand Service Livestream*	0	
Cant/Mand Service 10:45am	57	591.00
ME Service	55	1,763.00
Hokkien Service	53	3,356.00
Tamil Service	21	853.75
DHF	16	
TOTAL	1241	\$9,600.25

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$72,671.47
WEEKLY TOTAL \$82,271.72

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2022/23: \$75,000.98

Land Lease Renewal Fund

Gift No: 1874 \$50.00
 Electronic Transfer \$5,012.60
Weekly Total \$5,062.60
Total Gift Received To-Date \$9,827,362.06

Church Family News

1. Pastor Alby is preaching at Baptist Fellowship Church this morning.
2. Pastor Dev is preaching at Emmanuel BP Church this morning.
3. Heartfelt condolences to the family of Mr Gan Chin Seng, aged 69, who was called Home to be with the Lord on 7 August 2023. He was the husband of Mdm Leong Mooi Kow and father of Felicia Gan Jia Wen.

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, 18 August

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Saturday, 19 August

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at www.zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sunday, 20 August

Worship Services at **8.30am, 10.30am**
and **4.30pm**

Revelation Series:

20 Aug – Ephesus & Smyrna

(Rev 2.1-11)

Mr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Zhiwen (4.30pm)

27 Aug – Pergamum and Thyatira

(Rev 2.12-29)

Ps Alby (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Vernon (4.30pm)

3 Sep – Sardis & Philadelphia

(Rev 3.1-13)

Mr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30am & 10.30am)

Ps Dev (4.30pm)

10 Sep – Laodicea

(Rev 3.14-22)

Ps Zhiwen (8.30am & 10.30am)

Mr Joel Khoo (4.30pm)

Your Response

13 August 2023

*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

Obedience in Disciple-Making

At our church camp in June this year, we learnt so much about the importance of ONE-to-ONE discipleship as we each encourage each other along the journey to being a mature follower of Christ.

But how does one get there. To be a mature follower of Christ? We need to know God's word, and to follow Him not just in our own words, but also in our deeds. **Obedience** to our Lord, which is being willing to obey all that Jesus commanded, is essential to following Christ fully and being mature in Him.

When Jesus was here on earth, He demonstrated much of what He wanted to communicate about the Kingdom of God or about Himself boldly, often encountering opposition and resistance from people who were not yet ready to listen and obey. Yet, He continued to do so boldly because He knew it would save us.

It was truly a matter of life and death to Jesus if one chose to follow Him or not.

*"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." **John 3:16 ESV***

In His own life, Jesus also demonstrated that He came to do the will of His Father and not His own will.

*"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me." **John 6:38 ESV***

Jesus was obedient to His heavenly Father. How much more would we need to be obedient to our heavenly Father.

Thankfully, God is gracious, ever persevering in love despite our stubbornness and rebellion. In fact, all of us who have come to Christ have come to Him because God is drawing US to Himself. Further down from the above passage, we learn this:

*"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me..." **John 6:44-45 ESV***

SO, no one can come to Jesus without God the Father drawing them to Jesus.

God is showing Himself and calling people to Himself. As we are TAUGHT by God through His Word and His Spirit, our hearts and minds are transformed.

*"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." **Romans 12:2-4 ESV***

Brothers and sisters, the key to being mature in Christ is the way of obedience to Him. May you take heart that God Himself is drawing you to Himself, so come trust and obey Him.

Announcements

THE LIVING ROOM - HIRING PART-TIME KITCHEN ASSISTANT (MATERNITY COVER)

One of our staff will be going on maternity leave some time in Aug. As such we are looking for a kitchen assistant to cover her duties. Food hygiene cert required as cooking will be part of job scope.

Able to commit Tues to Sat, 10am - 5pm.

Interested parties can call **Christina (81984792)** to enquire.

ZB YOUTH MINISTRY

Calling for youths to be connected to the ZB church family. If you're a Youth (13–18 year-old), join us for Youth Fellowship on Saturdays, and Youth Discipleship class on Sundays.

*If your family would like to host youths for dinners, sign up at bit.ly/YFdinnerhosts to open your house for monthly Saturday night dinners with YF-ers, or contact **Jacqueline (93227629)** to find out more!*

LOOKING INTO FULL-TIME (LIFT)

The Gospel harvest remains plentiful and the work of building up the saints is massive. The kingdom is always in need of more workers to the harvest. Have you wondered about full-time paid Gospel ministry? How does the Zion Bishan EXCEL Apprenticeship work? Join us for our LIFT session on **26 Aug (Sat) 12.30pm** to hear both from the Bible and from some of our ministry staff.

Registration is required:

<https://tinyurl.com/ZionBishanLIFT>

REVELATION NOTE-TAKING BOOKLETS

As we begin a new sermon series, we want to encourage every member to hear and remember God's word well. Booklets containing the Revelation text with note-taking space are available at the registration table. There are two sizes: **A4** with larger font size (**\$3**); **A5** with smaller font size (**\$1.50**). Please make payment via PayNow to the QR code at the table.

CATECHISM CLASS

For baptism, reaffirmation and transfer of membership

Starting 2 Sep (Sat, 1.30-3pm)

Email lydia@zionbishan.org.sg for the form.

Sign up by TODAY (13 Aug)

Contact Ps Dev at dev@zionbishan.org.sg for more information.

Child Care available upon request

LOOKING FOR CE TABLE HOSTS!

Starting 16 Aug, 7.30pm, over 3 Wednesdays

The next run of Christianity Explored (CE) starts in Aug! Consider joining us to journey with people who are exploring and help them discover the Good News of Jesus in Mark's Gospel. If you're not confident of being able to share the gospel - don't worry, that's what training is for! All sessions will be in-person.

Register at <https://bit.ly/zbccehosts>