

**Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings
and sacrifices as much as in
obeying the LORD?**

1 Sam 15:22a



ENGLISH SERVICES

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Order of Service

Call to Worship

Doxology

[MORNING]

Worship in Songs: Come, Thou Almighty King; God the Uncreated One;
Have You Heard About Jesus

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 9:1-10; 9:15-21; 10:1, 9-13; 10:17-27 (ESV)

Message: How Saul Lost Some Donkeys and was Found as King

[AFTERNOON]

Worship in Songs: All Creatures of our God & King; Ancient of Days;
Rejoice, the Lord is King

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 9:1-27 (ESV)

Message: The Making of the Chosen King

Response Hymn: Speak, O Lord

Corporate Life & Prayer

Offering

Benediction

Announcements

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:

zionbishan.org.sg/rf

Sunday Services at a glance

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, register at zionbishan.org.sg/dhf

8.45am DHF 1A in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *In-person in Room 106 & Zoom*

8.45am DHF 2 (in Myanmar language) *In-person in Room 105 & Zoom*

2.30pm DHF 3 (in Bahasa Indonesia) *via Zoom*

8.45pm DHF 1B (in English/Tagalog, for all nationalities) *only upon request, via Zoom*

Children/Youth Discipleship Classes

Register interest: zionbishan.org.sg/cd-yd

Join us on Telegram / WhatsApp

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

zionbishan.org.sg/broadcasts

Serving You Today

Speakers:

Dr Quek Tze-Ming (8.30 & 10.30 am)

Ps Ng Zhiwen (4.30 pm)

8.30am

Service Coordinator: Sharon Quek

Worship Leader: Dn Justin Low

Vocalist & Musicians: AM Ad hoc Music Team

10.30am

Service Coordinator: Timothy Ong

Worship Leader: Eld Chuah Chin Yew

Vocalist & Musicians: AM Ad hoc Music Team

4.30pm

Service Coordinator: Lee Jen Wei

Worship Leader: Dn Peter Wang

Vocalist & Musicians: PM Ad hoc Music Team

Pastors and Ministry Staff

Rev Dr Alby Yip, <i>Senior Pastor (1030)</i>	9844 9536
Rev Dr Dev Menon, <i>Pastor (430)</i>	9829 6051
Rev Lim Jit Thye, <i>Pastor (Cant-Mand)</i>	9182 6957
Rev Daniel Nge, <i>Pastor (Mand-Eng)</i>	8428 0525
Rev Vernon Quek, <i>Pastor (1030)</i>	9796 0196
Rev Ng Zhiwen, <i>Pastor (830)</i>	9092 6095
Rev Paul Yeo, <i>Pastor (Mandarin)</i>	9751 1897
Rev Chris Rajendran, <i>Pastor (Tamil)</i>	9446 7416
Rev Danny Chua, <i>Pastor (430)</i>	9239 4160
Preacher Choo Han Boo, <i>(Hokkien)</i>	9450 2789
Mrs Emily Quek, <i>Special Projects</i>	9001 2926
Ms Elizabeth Hira, <i>Children's Min/DHF</i>	9239 0680
Mrs Sha.ron Quek, <i>Overseas Ministries</i>	9788 0195
Dr Quek Tze-Ming, <i>Ministry Staff</i>	9060 8340
Mrs Jacqueline Ong, <i>Youth Ministry</i>	9322 7629
Mrs Vanessa Khoo, <i>Women's Ministry</i>	9880 4507
Mr Joel Khoo, <i>YAs/Discipleship</i>	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>	

Confidential Care & Counselling:

care@zionbishan.org.sg

How Saul Lost Some Donkeys and was Found as King

Dr Quek Tze-Ming

1 Samuel 9:1 – 10:27

Introduction

A Candidate Who is Good/Bad

- Saul cannot find what he's looking for ...

A God Who is Already Working

- God already found Saul

A Man Who is Changed?

- God equipped Saul

Do you see your King?

Conclusion

Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

1. What in the text leads you to think Saul is an impressive candidate to be king? What in the text makes you think the opposite? Why do you think the story highlights these tensions?
2. How does the text invite us to see God's hand in ordinary or "coincidental" events? How does this help you to interpret "detours" or commonplace seasons in our own lives?
3. How does Saul experience God's Spirit? What suggests that something is still lacking? Can you see this "gap" in Christian life today?
4. Why do you think Saul hides at the very moment he is revealed as king? What are some ways we might "hide" from responsibilities or callings God places before us?

The Making of the Chosen King

1 Samuel 9:1 – 10:27

“They have rejected me from being king over them” (8:7)

Yet He’ll make them a king (8:22) ...

Preparing the king (9:1-21)

Anointing the king (9:22 – 10:16)

Revealing the king (10:17 – 27)

Conclusion:

The king who can save

What has God chosen you to be? How will you live out His calling well?

Reflection Questions:

1. What does it reveal about God’s character that he both names our rejection—and yet continues to work through what we choose?
2. What made Saul ‘suitable’ to be king of Israel?
3. What have you learned about what it takes to be a good king (and more generally, to lead)?
4. What have you learned from this passage about living out your God-given calling?

Prayer Points

Our Church

Terusan Guest Workers Outreach –

Thank God for brothers who have been serving faithfully with us. Pray for the workers to continue experiencing God's love through the ministry, find strength in their daily labour, and be encouraged by the fellowship and care extended to them. Also pray that the Lord will raise up more willing volunteers, especially those gifted to play the piano, so that worship may be enriched and hearts be lifted in praise.

Our People

Ps Chris Rajendran - We thank God for how He has opened doors and for the current plans made for housing and schools for Ps Chris' family, his wife Rose and their two boys. Pray for him and his family as they prepare for their move to Singapore in early May, for smooth transitions and adjustments to life here.

Our Denomination

Emmanuel BP - Pray for our sister church Emmanuel who are starting a 7 week sermon and bible study series on the basics of the Christian faith next Sunday. We thank God for the growth of two cell groups and are praying for more leaders to be raised from within.

Our World

Mongolia – Thank God for a short trip by Ps Paul and his wife to Mongolia this past week. They had a good time of learning about the ministry to rural pastors as they met with a Pastor contact working among them. May God use this experience to help us understand the churches doing gospel work outside of the capital city, Ulaanbaatar. May He also grant us wisdom to support the growth of vibrant communities that grow Jesus-followers and disciple-makers in this country.

Lebanon – Talks occurred this past week between Israeli and Lebanese envoys in Washington, to attempt to begin negotiations for a framework for a peace process (The Straits Times, 14 Apr). Pray that Lord-willing this would lead to a cessation of hostilities between these 2 countries. Let us also uphold also our ministry partners/friends for resources to serve the critical needs of the internally displaced citizens from south Lebanon that have been flooding Beirut. May this tragic time be used by the Lord to draw many to His Son.

Last Week

Sunday Service	Attendance	Offering
English Service Livestream*	16	
English Service 8.30am	251	\$933.80
English Service 10.30am	521	
English Service 4.30pm	258	
Chinese Service livestream*	7	
Chinese Service 8.30am	76	\$913.50
Cant/Mand Service 10.45am	73	\$280.00
Mand/English Service 10.30am	53	\$784.00
Hokkien Service	66	\$1,619.00
Tamil Service	13	\$284.00
DHF	34	
TOTAL	1368	\$4,814.30

*Livestreaming peak concurrent viewers

Electronic Transfer \$86,477.64

Weekly Total \$91,291.94

Weekly offering to meet budget for 2026/27: \$91,095

GENERAL PROJECTS FUND

Electronic Transfer \$7,540.00

Weekly Total \$7,540.00

Total expenses as of To-date -\$1,302,123.43

Total Gift Received To-Date \$4,833,691.58

Church Family News

1. BPCIS GOOD FRIDAY: Praise God for 10 churches meeting at 3 locations on Good Friday. Attendance: 2,279. Offerings: \$99047.81. Five Chinese congregations met separately with total attendance of 523. Please read report in BPCIS website (bpcis.org.sg).
2. Ps Vernon is on Paternity Leave from 7 Apr – 4 May.
3. Ps Dev is preaching at Neighbourhood Church this morning.
4. Ps Danny is facilitating a Safeguarding Training Workshop at Kay Poh Road Baptist Church today.

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

General Projects Fund



DBS Current A/C: **070-901055-5**

PayNow: **T10SS0029GGPF**

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Please provide your CONTACT NUMBER on each cheque

Looking Ahead

Fri, 24 Apr

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting

Register at zionbishan.org.sg/fpm

Sat, 25 Apr

4.00pm: Youth Fellowship

Register at zionbishan.org.sg/yf

Sun, 26 Apr

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

1 Samuel Series

26 Apr -- Saul Delivers Israel

(1 Sam 11)

Ps Dev Menon

3 May – Samuel’s Farewell

(1 Sam 12)

Ps Ng Zhiwen (AM)

Ps Danny Chua (PM)

10 May -- Saul's Disobedience

(1 Sam 13)

Dr Quek Tze-Ming (AM)

Ps Vernon Quek (PM)

17 May -- Jonathan Delivers Israel

(1 Sam 14)

Ps Dev Menon (AM)

Ps Danny Chua (PM)

Connect With Us

Thank you for joining us today!

Should you be interested to find out more about Jesus, indicate your response at bit.ly/ZBinterest and we will put someone in touch with you as soon as possible!

"Where Is God In Your Life?"

If someone asked you that question right now, what would you say?

For many of us, the honest answer might be: *I'm not sure. I haven't really stopped to think about it.* We've been busy with work, family... with the ten thousand small demands that fill our days. Life has been happening *to* us, and we've been moving through it at pace, heads down, just trying to keep up.

And so the months pass. I'm sure it's been a full, eventful 4 months, and yet somehow, we haven't quite *been present* to what's been happening in our own lives and hearts.

There's a particular kind of tiredness that comes not from doing too much, but from never stopping to process what we've been through. The worry we kept pushing aside because there was always something more urgent. The grief that never got its moment. The unexpected kindness that moved us before we moved on. The stretch of weeks that felt spiritually dry - and the question we never quite got around to asking: *why?*

Here's something worth thinking through: the places in our lives that carry the strongest emotions are rarely random. The relationship that drains us. The situation at work that produces disproportionate anxiety. The moment of joy that felt too fragile to hold. These charged places - the ones we tend to rush past or bury under busyness - are often precisely where we must ask the question: *"Where is God in all this?"*

But noticing requires something most of us are chronically short of: *time and space.*

Just the quiet to sit with our own hearts - in light of all we've experienced and of course with the knowledge of all we've learned about God through His Word. Time to be in God's presence and to ask honestly: *Where have You been in this, Lord? Where am I?*

That is what the upcoming Church Camp is for. Unhurried time (and hopefully space) to pause, so that we can reconnect with God.

We are so glad for the 500+ coming (registrations are closed, sorry!). But we need a lot of prayer that God will indeed help us use the time to meet with Him. Please be praying!

Announcements

Enabling Ministry Workshop: Speak Better for Christ

25 April (Sat) 9.15am - 12.30pm
ZB Chapel (level 4)

Join us to be encouraged and equipped to speak for Christ. Guided by public speaking coach **Madeline Chu-Ang**, you'll learn practical tips on crafting and sharing your story with confidence and purpose. Listen to the stories of resilience from those with neurodiversity and diverse abilities and their journey of faith.

Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/yc42m9pj> by **22 Apr.**

The Marriage Course

7 Sat evenings beginning from
2 May, 6 - 9pm at the **Living Room Cafe.**

The Family Ministry is calling for married couples to invest in their marital relationships. The Marriage Course is a **7 week** session designed to help couples strengthen their marriage.

Course fee of **\$210** per couple . Dinner will be provided and child minding too if need be. Limited to 6 couples per course run.

Interested couples can register and find out more info at <https://forms.gle/XAnEGJYwxAccsNbV7> or contact **Dn Junaidi (9665 1621)** or **Dn Kemp (9048 9977)**.

SENIORS360 Dim Sum Hour

CPF Talk (Part 2): Healthcare
9 May, Saturday 10.15am,
Fellowship Hall

Come join us at this upcoming SENIORS360 event with our own **Mr Ho Wan Weng**. Back by popular demand, he will be sharing information on CPF schemes for healthcare (including Matched MediSave Scheme, MediShield Life, CareShield Life and ElderShield).

Do invite your non-Christian friends along and hear how their savings in CPF can be used!

Sign up by **5 May:**
<http://rebrand.ly/s360may26>

Raising Teenagers

A talk by Rory Bell

4 May (Mon) 7.30pm - 9.30pm
ZB Chapel

Parenting teenagers can feel overwhelming, but it doesn't have to be. Come and listen to Rory Bell as he shares practical, Bible-based insights to help parents navigate teenage years.

Rory Bell is the director of Teaching and Training (TnT) Ministries, an organisation that resources and equips people to teach the Bible to children and teenagers more faithfully, more creatively, and more effectively.

Register at <https://bit.ly/ZBraisingteens26> by **20 April**. For enquiries, contact **Hira (8.30 svc)**, **Jacqueline (10.30 svc 93227629)** or **Dns Cassandra (4.30 svc)**.

Adult Discipleship Class

Formed in Faith - A Workshop in Spiritual Formation

Do the words "Spiritual Formation" leave you cold, or perplexed? Have been wondering how God shapes His people over a lifetime? Or maybe you want to learn some ways to grow your spiritual life? Through teaching, reflection, and guided exercises, we will be invited to consider where we are in our walk with God and how He may be at work forming us today.

Location: Chapel L4 (in-person only)

Speaker: BGST Centre for Spiritual Formation (Ms Janice Chern & Dr Quek Tze-Ming)

Date & Time: Sat, 16 May, 9am - 12pm

Fees: \$10 (upon registration)

Attendance only by registration at:

<https://tinyurl.com/ADC-Formed>

Please contact

tzeming@zionbishan.org.sg for further information.