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SUNDAY COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

1 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son
And to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
World without end.
Amen. Amen.

Preparatory Hymn

Dn Joel Wong

Prelude

Winnie Lim

Call to Worship

Dn Adrian Cheng/Yew Jinn Chieng

*Hymn

HOP 30 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalm 77:1-10

Hymn

HOP 267 I Must Tell Jesus

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

Numbers 29:1-12

Hymn

HOP 199 I Hear Thy Welcome Voice

Pastoral Prayer/Message

Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip

2 Doxology

Praise God from whom
all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures
here below;
Praise Him above,
ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and
Holy Ghost, Amen.

3 The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and
keep you, The Lord lift His
countenance upon you,
and give you peace,
And give you peace,
The Lord make His face to
shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you,
be gracious, the Lord be
gracious, gracious unto
you. Amen.

Remember You Are A Pilgrim

*Hymn

HOP 419 When We All Get to Heaven

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You 3

*Congregation Standing



Theme for 2015: "WALK WORTHY OF THE LORD UNTO ALL PLEASING" (Colossians 1:10)

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WORDS FROM OUR FOUNDING PASTOR

My dear readers,

1. The Preaching of the Cross is the Power of God (1 Cor 1:18-29)

Man needs to be saved. By himself he is helpless, doomed to condemnation and everlasting destruction. Modern man has science and technology. He can improve social and material comforts for this transient existence, but the end thereof is death. Man needs God: God must help.

God has come to help man, from the first day (Gen 3:15, 21), until today. The Gospel or Good News was announced and foreshadowed in the Garden. That was, and is, God's plan.

God has one plan for man's salvation, only one. Man has many ideas, but every one has failed and will fail. God's plan succeeds, every time to everyone who believes (1 Cor 1:18, 24).

The Apostle Paul had one message, only one. *"For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified"* (1 Cor 2:2).

2. What is the message of the Cross of Christ?

It is God intervening in man's helplessness.

It is God declaring war on Satan.

It is God sending His own Son ("seed of woman") to be our sacrifice, the *"Lamb of God"* to take away our sins.

It was the blood of the Lamb which redeemed Israel from hopeless bondage in Egypt, even the Passover blood which overcame Pharaoh's iron hold.

It was the lifting up of the brazen serpent in the wilderness which gave life to those who looked (Num 21:9).

It was Christ, the Lamb of God, sacrificed on the cross of Calvary, which has power to save all who look to Him in faith. This is Gospel.

It is the only message for the salvation of twenty-first century man, no other message. Any other is false.

3. How shall we preach the message of the Cross?

We preach no other message.

We preach it wherever we go, everywhere, every time.

We preach it urgently, but graciously and lovingly.

We preach it by our lives. Only pure and holy living makes the message effective.

We preach it at every level: from kindergarten to university, *“for all have sinned”* - there is no difference. Only the message of the cross can take away sin.

We preach it triumphantly (2 Cor 2:14), because our Lord is ever triumphant, for *“... he rose again the third day according to the scriptures”* (1 Cor 15:4).

We preach it joyously, with great expectation *“looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ”* (Titus 2:13).

4. Best age to lead them to the Saviour

Many spiritual giants received the Saviour in early childhood:

Charles Spurgeon at twelve.

Jonathan Edwards at seven.

Count Zinzendorf at four.

Matthew Henry at eleven.

The best age to sow the Gospel seed is the childhood years. Our one objective is to seize the golden opportunity to win precious lives for the Lord, before the world gets them.

Every soul won for Jesus is worth more than the whole world: that is the value we must place on souls. No industry is more rewarding. Your sacrifice may add a soul to Heaven's Book of Life.

What joy, when you arrive in Heaven, someone will thank you because you care!

5. Honour your Father and your Mother

God commands all people to honour Father and Mother: *"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;) that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth"* (Eph 6:1-3).

Obedient and God-fearing children make strong families and stable communities, and good leaders of future society. It is top priority to train up our children to love parents and family and country; above all, to love God, our Creator and Redeemer. May every blessing from God be with you, your child, your home.

God bless all readers.

*Yours faithfully in the Saviour's Service,
Dr SH Tow*

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

- 1. Lunch Fellowship:** Today after the Worship Service, everyone is welcome to join in.
- 2. Men's Fellowship & Ladies' Fellowship:** Join us tonight for the two fellowships aimed at the separate needs of men and women. Dinner starts at 6pm. At 7:15pm, Rev Joseph will be speaking to the men upstairs on the topic "Men Who Are Faithful Friends" and Sister Sharon will be speaking to the ladies in the main sanctuary on "Women In The Gospels: Elizabeth". All are encouraged to attend.
- 3. Session Retreat:** Session members will be away for a retreat in Mandurah on Thursday the 2nd of July and return to Perth on Friday afternoon. Please pray for the retreat, the speaker, Rev Koshy and the Session members as they spend time studying God's Word, praying and having fellowship with one another.
- 4. Combined Church Fellowship:** This Friday at 7:30pm. Rev Koshy is the speaker. We encourage everyone to come to the meeting and invite your friends and family to come too.
- 5. Holy Communion:** Next Sunday, please prepare your heart.
- 6. BPCWA Family Camp:** Family Camp begins next Sunday. Please plan to arrive at Orchard Glory Farm Resort by 3:30pm. For those who would like to join the Family Camp for a day trip, please see Brother Allan Ang (mobile 0433032709). For any other questions regarding Family Camp, please see Brother Caleb Cheng.
- 7. Holiday Children Bible Program:** Has been organised for Monday and Tuesday the 13th and 14th of July from 9 am-12 pm. This program is for children aged 3-12 years of age. The children are welcome to invite their school friends to join. Parents please register with Sister Hui Ling Cheng or Brother Yew Jinn Chieng after the Worship Service today. Please note that lunch is not included.

8. FEBC Courses: The registration forms for next semester's courses are now available in the foyer. Please fill out the form, ticking the course you will be taking, and hand the form to Mark Heath with the course fees (\$80 for each course). Your name will then be registered. It would help if you could do this before the camp.

Theology For Every Christian: We have a limited supply of this book on Systematic Theology by Timothy Tow and Jeffrey Khoo, and cost only \$10. Please see Mark Heath to get your copy.

9. Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:

- Safe return of Rev Joseph and Sister Sharon Poon from preaching engagements in Singapore.
- Rev and Mrs Koshy's safe arrival on the 1st of July and their ministry at BPCWA.
- Session Retreat on the 2nd to 3rd of July and speaker, Rev Koshy.
- Family Camp Speakers, group leaders, individuals and families who are attending the camp. For good weather and journey mercies.
- Children's holiday program, the organisers, the teachers, and the children who are participating.
- Re-building of Nehemiah Place and for the building committee to have wisdom and a clear direction to proceed with the project.
- God's leading and timing in re-starting the Mandarin Worship Service once a month.
- Those who are job searching, working away from home, and travelling.
- Those who are physically and spiritually unwell.
- Safety and security in and around the church and homes of worshippers.

SERVICE DUTY	28/6 COMBINED - Lunch Fellowship	5/7 COMBINED - Holy Communion
Speaker/Interpreter	Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip	Rev Koshy/Yew Jinn Chieng
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Dn Adrian Cheng/Yew Jinn Chieng	Elder James Wong/Kong Vui Yip
Prep Hymns	Dn Joel Wong	Claude Yiu
Musician(s)	Winnie Lim	Lydia Pui
Welcomers	Terry Chong, Lydia Chong, Julia Sun	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo, Bernie Clarke
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Terry Chong, *Caleb Cheng, Yi Choong Liew, Steven Sun, Allen Liew, Dn Joel Wong	*Jonathan Woo, *Claude Yiu, Kenny Chia, Kenny Tan, Mark Heath, Alex Luu
Ushers	Caleb Cheng, Rowena Cheng, Shie Tian Wong	Kenny Chia, Ruth Wong, Yi San Chieng
P.A. System	Kenny Chia	Adrian Ng
Kitchen Duties	Lisa Ho, Andy Ho, Margaret Ng, Christine Chia, Ming Ming Th'ng	Yi Min Chieng, Yi San Chieng, Lily Liow, Shuin Ning Jong
JSS Singspiration	Hui Ling Cheng/Yi Jye Chieng	Holy Communion
Toddler Class Assistant	Lilian/Ka Yii	Yi Mey/Victoria
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	

Old Folks' Home Ministry

Subiaco	Robert Wong (Ruth Wong)	Church Family Camp
South Perth	Hall A: Mark Heath Hall B: Rev Joseph Poon	
Bayswater	Allan Ang	

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	30/6	10:00am	Mandarin Bible Study
		7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Rev Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng, Dn Joel Wong, Ruth Wong
Wednesday	1/7	7:30pm	FEBC: Names of God & Bible and Science
Friday	3/7	7:30pm	Combined Church Fellowship
Sunday	5/7	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English & Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00am	Sunday Combined Worship Service - Holy Communion
		12:15pm	Church Van Depart

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (21/6)

Attendance: 204 (Combined-178; JSS-26); Prayer Meeting: 55
 Offerings in Total: \$6135.35
 General Fund: \$6135.35 (#3912-Library-\$125.00)

SHORTER CATECHISM: What is required in the ninth commandment? The ninth commandment requireth the maintaining and promoting of truth between man and man, and of our own and our neighbor's good name (Zec 8:16; Acts 25:10; 3 John 12), especially in witness-bearing (Pro 14:5, 25).