



# BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF W.A.

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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

Jason Tey

Prelude

Lydia Pui

Call to Worship

Dn Joel Wong/Kong Vui Yip

\*Hymn

**HOP 360** We Praise Thee, O God

\*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalm 80:1-9

Hymn

**HOP 231** Under His Wings

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

Numbers 33:1-15

Hymn

**HOP 254** Nearer, Still Nearer

Pastoral Prayer/Message

Rev Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim

### 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.

## God Wants Us To Progress

\*Hymn

**HOP 386** O Love That Wilt Not Let Go

\*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

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My dear readers,

## **1. Incredible ... unbelievable ... but true**

Man credits himself with the ability to reason and think, with reference to things of life and the sphere in which we move and live – i.e. the present visible and tangible world. For most, this world is the only focus which matters.

Jesus is the only man who could claim: *“I came from above – from beyond earth.”* To Pilate, the Roman governor, our Lord said, *“My kingdom is not of this world ... my kingdom (is) not from hence ... Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice”* (John 18:36-37).

Note again what our Lord told Pilate: *“To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world ...”* Jesus came the first time to lay the foundation of God’s everlasting Kingdom, by His death and resurrection, which task He accomplished perfectly. Then He returned to His home in Heaven with the promise, *“I will come again.”*

To the unbelieving world, such a promise is totally beyond reason and experience. It is, to the worldly wise, just what our opening caption says: *“Incredible, unbelievable.”*

## **2. “Be not faithless, but believing”**

May our Lord’s words to *“doubting Thomas”* – and others of like frame of mind, be received with faith, trusting in Him who said, *“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me”* (John 14:6).

Now, in the plan of God the Father, the time draws near for the Son, our Lord Jesus, to return from the *“far country to receive for himself a kingdom ...”* (Luke 19:12).

Our Lord’s return to earth is an event foretold in Scripture *“times without number,”* even from the dawn of Creation.

Read Jude 14-15: *“And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all ...”* All the apostles, in the Gospels and Epistles, speak of this climactic Event. All the current unusual happenings – the signs spoken by our Lord – herald His imminent return.

There is no happening so urgent and of universal concern as our Lord’s return to earth. To the unbelieving world it will be *“panic and shock”* beyond imagination! The event is described in Revelations 6:14-17: *“And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?”*

The foregoing is a description of the coming happening – incredible ... but true. God’s scheduled *“Day of Judgment”* is about to descend on planet earth. There will be no escape except for those who have taken shelter in the Kingdom of God.

Dear reader, be not faithless, but believing.

**3. My faith has found a resting place** (Lidie H Edmunds)

1. My faith has found a resting place –  
Not in device nor creed;  
I trust the ever-living One –  
His wounds for me shall plead.

*Refrain:*

I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died,  
And that He died for me.

2. Enough for me that Jesus saves –  
This ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I came to Him –  
He'll never cast me out.
3. My heart is leaning on the Word –  
The living Word of God,  
Salvation by my Savior's name –  
Salvation through His blood.
4. My great physician heals the sick,  
The lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed,  
For me His life He gave.

God bless all readers.

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

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- 1. Lunch Fellowship:** Please stay back and join us for our monthly lunch fellowship after the worship service today. All are welcome.
- 2. Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting:** Is held this evening at the home of David and Irene Yap. Address: 11 Edmiston Way, Winthrop. Dinner is at 6:00pm with the meeting starting at 7pm. Please bring a dish to share. Elder James will continue the series on The Beatitudes. Anyone who understands Mandarin is welcome. Families with young children are encouraged to bring them along as we will have a children program.
- 3. Holy Communion:** Will be conducted next Lord's Day, please prepare your heart.
- 4. September Program:** Please mark in your calendar and prayerfully participate in the following program planned for September.

DATE			PROGRAM
1 - 30/9			September 30in30 Outreach
4/9	Friday	7:30pm	Combined Church Fellowship (Series 3)
12/9	Saturday	10am	Seniors' Fellowship
27/9	Sunday		Lunch Fellowship
27/9	Sunday	1:45 - 5pm	City Evangelism

- 5. September 30in30:** Our church's daily evangelism outreach program begins this week. For those who have or would like to sign up for September 30in30, please collect your participant pack in the fellowship hall today. Please keep the outreach in prayer during the month of September.
- 6. Combined Church Fellowship Series:** In the last of the series, various possible tools to help you in your study of God's Word will be introduced. We will go through case studies to apply the Biblical principles we have learnt to rightly divide the Word of Truth. If there were passages or questions you struggle with, do send them to Rev Joseph. Christians of all ages will benefit from these sessions. Do come this Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 7:30pm.

**7. Seniors' Fellowship Outing:** On the 12<sup>th</sup> September (Saturday). Please sign up with Brother Allan Ang or Sister Lilian Yong for logistics purposes. More details of the outing will be available next week.

**8. Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:**

- Thank God for the many opportunities to serve Him. May we be faithful in all our areas of service.
- Thank God for the program planned for September. Pray that all the activities will draw worshippers closer to loving God and to obey His commandments.
- Pray for dedicated commitment and opportunity to evangelise to non-believers during the outreach month of September and everyday.
- Pray for God's grace and strength be upon Brother Patrick Liow.
- Pray for the translation and compilation of the ACM reports.
- Pray for a God glorifying and honouring Annual Congregational Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October.
- Pray that God will continue to grant wisdom to the building committee members to proceed with the re-building of Nehemiah Place.
- God's leading and timing in re-starting the Mandarin Worship Service.
- Pray for those who are searching for jobs, working away from home and travelling.
- Pray for those who are physically sick and spiritually down. May God comfort and strengthen them daily with His Word and His presence.
- Safety and security in and around the church and homes of all worshippers.

SERVICE DUTY	30/8 COMBINED - Lunch Fellowship	6/9 COMBINED - Holy Communion
Speaker/Interpreter	Rev Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim	Rev Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Dn Joel Wong/Kong Vui Yip	Dn Michael Lee/Kong Vui Yip
Prep Hymns	Jason Tey	Claude Yiu
Musician(s)	Lydia Pui	Ruth Wong
Welcomers	Dn Michael Lee, Irene Lee, Lilian Yong	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo, Bernie Clarke
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Allen Liew, *Alex Luu Allan Ang, Eddie Foo, Jason Tey Dn Michael Lee	*Jonathan Woo, *Claude Yiu Kenny Chia Mark Heath, Yan Wei Alex Luu
Ushers	Allen Liew, Fiona Liew, Lee Lee Yong	Kenny Chia, Yi San Chieng, Lee Lee Yong
P.A. System	Kenny Chia	Adrian Ng/Yi Choong Liew
Kitchen Duties	Yi Min Chieng, Yi San Chieng Lily Liow, Shuin Ning Jong	Yi San Chieng, Margaret Ng Christine Chia, Ming Ming Th'ng Mable Soon
JSS Singpiration	Hui Ling Cheng/Yi Jye Chieng	Holy Communion
Toddler Class Assistant	Lee Chin Yong/Ka Yui Yip	Yi Jye Chieng/Lilian Yong
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	

### Old Folks' Home Ministry

Subiaco	Edward Ee (Karen Ee)	Edward Ee (Karen Ee)
South Perth	Hall A: Jason Tey Hall B: Elder James Wong	Hall A: Caleb Cheng Hall B: Allan Ang
Bayswater	Mark Heath	Caleb Cheng

### APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	1/9	10:00am	Mandarin Bible Study
		7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Rev Joseph Poon/Dn Joel Wong, Elder James Wong, Ruth Wong
Wednesday	2/9	7:30pm	Far Eastern Bible College Online Courses: Life of Christ II
Friday	4/9	10:00am	Mother's Fellowship Group
		7:30pm	Combined Church Fellowship: Series 3
Sunday	6/9	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00am	Sunday Combined Worship Service
		12:00pm	Mandarin Choir
		12:15pm	Church Van Depart
		2:00pm	Nursing Home: Concorde – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30pm	Nursing Home: Ben Ritcher Lodge – 480 Guildford Road, Bayswater

### ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (23/8)

Attendance: 199 (Combined-163; JSS-36); Prayer Meeting: 67

Offerings in Total: \$10417.90

General Fund: \$10117.90 (Church Camp Jacket-\$21; #3935-Library-\$90; #3936-\$1000; Mission-\$300)

**SHORTER CATECHISM: What is faith in Jesus Christ?** Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace (Eph 2:8-9; Cf. Rom 4:16), whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel. (John 20:30-31; Gal 2:15-16; Phil 3:3-11).