



# BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF W.A.

For the Testimony and Glory of Jesus Christ

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## 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.

### 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.

Preparatory Hymn

Allan Ang

Prelude

Winnie Lim

Call to Worship

Dn Adrian Cheng/Yew Jinn Chieng

\*Hymn

**HOP 49** Come, Christians, Join to Sing

\*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalms 119:33-40

Holy Communion

[Dn Michael, Dn Adrian, Dn Stephen

Dn Joel, Robert, Yew Jinn]

Hymn

**HOP 92** O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

**HOP 91** Rock of Ages

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Choir Presentation

**Page 5** Let Charity Guide Word and Deed

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 13:7

Hymn

**HOP 344** Christ Liveth in Me

Pastoral Prayer/Message

Pastor Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim

## Loving Responses

\*Hymn

**HOP 244** More Like The Master

\*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

\*The Lord Bless You and Keep You 3

\*Congregation Standing



Theme for 2016: "SANCTIFIED, AND MEET FOR THE MASTER'S USE" (2 Timothy 2:21)

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# PASTORAL LETTER

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Dear BPCWAians,

After months of intensive planning, we have just concluded the BPCWA Young Adults Camp this week, joined by several interstate and out of country visitors. We thank God for the labour of the committee in planning for it, and also for the many in our midst who helped out in some way or other. Beginning from last Sunday's fellowship lunch, many of you pitched in by cooking and bringing more food. In true Christian graciousness, many in our midst have also extended their hospitality and help to visitors in so many ways, by opening their homes for them to stay in, and by cooking or helping out in the transport. Indeed, even in the testimonies on the closing night, many visitors gave glory to God for the Christian hospitality they've received, and expressed their gratefulness for the warm fellowship they experienced during their visit here.

**Mark 9:41 For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.**

Many of you have also laboured together with us by praying for the camp as well. This was important because despite all the physical planning, it was ultimately to serve a spiritual purpose. What were some of our intentions in having such a camp? What did we want to achieve?

**Learning God's Word together.** In university and for those just starting out in the working world, this is a time in their lives where they are going through great changes. The temptations and allures of the world are very real, and can become the thorns that may hinder their fruitfulness for God. As the world attempts to choke

the word in their hearts, it becomes even more important that they be reinforced in their faith. Camps are good avenues of retreat for refreshing by intensive study of Scriptures.

**Being part of sound churches.** In an increasingly interconnected world, many are also travelling more often, whether for work or for leisure. We also may have friends that may travel overseas, for work, studies or leisure. Getting to know each other at the camp as out of state brethren and BPCWAians mingle together at the camp, we hope that they can then know where are the sound churches where they (or their friends) can worship when they travel, work, or study there. Hence we also arranged for campers to represent their churches to share details regarding their worship services, Bible studies, how to get to their church, and who to contact should any wish to visit their church.

**Standing together for the faith.** We have a blessed heritage of standing faithful *for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ* (Rev 1:9) amidst an age of falling away. However, we cannot take it for granted. This heritage can be lost in one generation, and we hope that the camp will help us to appreciate the soundness of doctrines that we enjoy today, and be stirred to continue to *earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints* (Jude 1:3). With a gathering of brethren from like minded churches, there is mutual encouragement to know that they are not alone in the battle for the Lord.

With the above aims, the camp committee laboured and prayed. Coordinating transport, accommodations, and logistics was no small task. We thank God for His wisdom and enabling grace upon all.

All glory to God for bringing the camp to pass, keeping everyone safe, granting blessed fellowship, and most importantly for feeding His children with His Word.

***Psalms 133:1 A Song of degrees of David. Behold, how good and how pleasant [it is] for brethren to dwell together in unity!***

Do pray that the fruits of this spiritual endeavour will continue to abide in the hearts of those that attended the camp.

Yours in our Lord's service  
Pastor

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION**

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- 1. Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship** will be meeting tonight in Church starting with dinner at 6 pm. The Men's Fellowship will start at 7 pm upstairs with Pastor Joseph with the message entitled Traits of an Honorable Man. The Ladies' Fellowship will be downstairs, commencing at 7 pm with Sister Sharon speaking on "Working with Women". Come and learn God's model for Christian men and Christian women. Chinese translation will be available as everyone is welcome.
- 2. Church repairs to Sanctuary Hall upstairs:** Some necessary repairs will be made to the ceiling of the Sanctuary Hall upstairs starting from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December. For safety reasons this sanctuary will be closed until Thursday evening. Your cooperation is appreciated.
- 3. City Evangelism** occurs every two months and the next outreach will be next Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please meet in Church at 2 pm for a briefing and prayer. The street outreach will end with testimonies in Church at 5 pm. Please sign up in the foyer if you are interested and have not already been registered.

4. **Mandarin Family Care Group:** will be held on the following Sunday (18 Dec) in church. More details will be announced next week.
5. **Christmas Gospel Meeting & Carolling:** With Christmas approaching, please pray about who you will invite to Church this year. The first gospel opportunity will be on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December with a Christmas gospel meeting and Pastor Joseph speaking on “The Promise at Christmas”. We also encourage everyone to come at 7 pm for carolling at the front of the Church before the meeting. Invitations will be available next Sunday.
6. **Far Eastern Bible College online courses:** The pamphlets for next semester’s online courses are available in the Church foyer. The courses being offered are “Systematic Theology 2 - Anthropology”, “Old Testament Poetry” and “Petrine Epistles”. If you wish to enrol, please complete these forms and return to Mark Heath with the fees (\$80 per course).
7. **Rostering:** Personnel serving in various ministries (eg ushering, welcomers, offering stewards etc) are requested to check their scheduled service dates on the monthly roster which is distributed the last Sunday of every month. If you will be away, please let us know your away dates early. Worshippers can inform us online at <http://bpcwa.org.au/away>. Those who do not have internet access can notify Pastor. Your early notification will help us better plan for the monthly rostering.
8. **Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:**
  - Thank God for the spiritual feeding and fellowship at the Young Adults Summer Camp. Pray that campers will live for the Lord and continue to grow in His Word to be godly Christians in years to come.
  - Thank God for the Mandarin Family Care Group meeting to encourage and build up saints in the unity of the faith.
  - Thank God for the labour of many in the kitchen and hospitality ministry.

- Pray for the editorial and design team of BPCWA's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thanksgiving magazine as they compile it for publication.
- Pray for the Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship to encourage men and ladies in their respective roles and to be used to foster greater fellowship and interaction between young and old, English and Chinese worshippers.
- Pray for many to go out during the City Evangelism to bring the gospel to people during the year end Christmas season.
- Pray for planning and preparation of the Christmas Gospel meeting and Christmas Worship Service and following activities.
- Pray for those seeking employment and the spiritually discouraged to find direction, grace and joy in our Lord and His Word.
- Pray for those returning to their home countries or travelling during the year end, that they will stay close to the Lord while they are away.
- Pray for continued unity of BPCWA. Pray that God will call a full time resident Chinese Minister to BPCWA according to His will and timing.

## **CHOIR PRESENTATION - LET CHARITY GUIDE WORD AND DEED**

Though I can speak with tongues of men,  
 Though I can speak with angels' tongues,  
 And have not charity within my heart,  
 The words I speak are all in vain.

Though with my goods I feed the poor,  
 Though I give my body to be burned,  
 And have not charity within my heart,  
 It will be of no profit to me.

Oh let my heart be Spirit-filled,  
 That I may be transformed and made perfect,  
 Let charity guide word and deed,  
 Charity abides. It never fails.

SERVICE DUTY	4/12 COMBINED - Holy Communion	11/12 COMBINED
Speaker/Interpreter	Pstr Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim	Pstr Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Dn Adrian Cheng/Yew Jinn Chieng	Robert Wong/Dn Joel Wong
Prep Hymns	Allan Ang	Claude Yiu
Musician(s)	Winnie Lim	Sharon Poon
Welcomers (Foyer)	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo Yi Choong Liew	Alex Luu, Grace Luu, Lee Lian Yong
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Jonathan Woo, *Allan Ang, Kenny Chia Yan Wei, Jason Tey, Yi Choong Liew	*Alex Luu, *Dn Michael Lee, Caleb Cheng Claude Yiu, Dn Adrian Cheng Dn Stephen Chia
Ushers (Sanctuary)	Claude Yiu, Esther Yiu, Lee Lee Yong	Kenny Chia, Julia Chia, Shie Tian Wong
P.A. System	Caleb Cheng	Kenny Chia
Kitchen Duties	Lee Lian Yong, Victoria Lew Mew Yung Tsing, Julia Chia Illhoa Ramachandran	Yi San Chieng, Margaret Ng Christine Chia, Ming Ming Th'ng Mable Soon
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	

### Old Folks' Home Ministry

Subiaco	Yew Jinn Chieng (Hannah Th'ng)	Mark Heath (Ben Kan)
South Perth	Hall A: Mark Heath Hall B: Kenny Tan	Hall A: Yew Jinn Chieng Hall B: Allan Ang
Berrington	Yew Jinn Chieng (Ben Kan)	Mark Heath (Hannah Th'ng)
Bull Creek	Mark Heath	Yew Jinn Chieng

### APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	6/12	10:00 am	Mandarin Bible Study: Systematic Theology (Part I) - Knowing God
		7:30 pm	Prayer Meeting: Yew Jinn Chieng/Dn Joel Wong, Dn Adrian Cheng, Sharon Poon
Friday	9/12	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	11/12	8:30 am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00 am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English & Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00 am	Sunday Combined Worship Service
		12:15 pm	Church Van Depart
		2:00 pm	Nursing Home: Concorde – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30 pm	Nursing Home: Berrington, Subiaco – 45 Bishop St, Jolimont Bull Creek – RAAFA Memorial Estate, 2 Bull Creek Drive, Bull Creek WA 6149

### ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (27/11)

Attendance: 239 (Combined-206; JSS-33); Prayer Meeting: 44; Combined Fellowship Meeting: 120  
Offerings in Total: \$9262.90; General Fund: \$9262.90 (#4146-Library-\$110.00; #4147-S\$50.00; #4148-\$337.60; #4149-\$50.90; #4150-\$221.00; #4151-Youth Camp-\$453.00)

**SHORTER CATECHISM: What is forbidden in the first commandment?** The first commandment forbiddeth the denying, (Psalm 14:1) or not worshipping and glorifying, the true God as God, (Romans 1:20-21) and our God; (Psalm 81:10-11) and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to him alone. (Ezekiel 8:16-18; Romans 1:25)