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A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH:

GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST,
IMPACTING & TRANSFORMING LIVES

Vision 2017

24 December 2017 (Sunday)

8:45 am

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



But in keeping with His promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

(2 Peter 3:13 NIV)

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Order of Service

PRELUDE / PERSONAL REFLECTION & PREPARATION

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

This is the fourth Sunday in Advent. Today we light the three purple candles and the pink candle. The first Sunday, we lit the candle of HOPE. On the second Sunday, we lit the candle of LOVE. On the third Sunday, we lit the candle of JOY. Today, we light the candle of PEACE. Our world is not always a peaceful world. People hurt other people. Countries are at war today. But God promises peace. During Advent, we pray that we, as well as all people, will seek God's peace.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Light the lamps, prepare the room, God is coming to us!

C: Make our hearts and spirits ready to receive God's most gracious gift, God's Son, Jesus Christ.

L: Push the darkness away. The light is truly coming!

C: May God's light shine on us, in us and through us that God's glory may be seen.
AMEN.

PRAYER (in unison)

God of the covenant, through the prophets of the past and of today You call us to live up to the challenge of the gospel if we want to be Your people. Stir us up from our comfortable, self-satisfied ways. Make us restless to hasten the coming of Your Son and Your kingdom and fill us with the fire of His Spirit to bring the warmth of His love and integrity into this cold, hurting world. Give us the lasting peace of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

Lord God, You have shown us Your glory: in Your holy word, in the blessings of our daily lives, and in the promise of Your eternal kingdom. You share Your glory with us, giving us the power to live in holiness and godliness. Your loving patience gives us hope as we await the coming of Your Son, Jesus Christ. In gratitude and thanks, we offer you our hearts, our lives, and all that we have. Use these gifts, we pray, to prepare Your way of salvation and to establish Your realm of peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

FAMILY NEWS & OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

“PRAISE GOD”

SCRIPTURE READING

2 PETER 3:8-15a

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

OUR TIME IN JESUS' SECOND COMING

FAREWELL TO REV. THOMAS CHIN AND FAMILY

Sharing by Lay Leader – Mr. Lee Hoong Chong

Responsively reading (P: Pastor; C: Congregation)

P: I thank you, the members and friends of Canning Garden Methodist Church, for the love and support you have shown me while I have ministered among you. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

C: We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to minister Emmanuel Methodist Church. We express our gratitude for your time among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will not leave with your departure.

P: I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, and I forgive you, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I release you from turning to me and depending on me. I encourage your continuing ministry here and will pray for you and for Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan.

PRAYER OF PASTOR AND CONGREGATION (in unison)

Eternal God, whose steadfast love for us is from everlasting to everlasting, we give You thanks for cherished memories and commend one another into Your care as we move in new directions. Keep us one in Your love forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF DEDICATION IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR UMH218

BENEDICTION

THREEFOLD AMEN

PRAYER MINISTRY

If you would like someone to pray for you, please come forward and you will be prayed for.



WORSHIP ENABLERS

Please take note: There will be **NO** Saturday worship celebration on 30 December 2017

Date:		24 Dec 2017 (Sunday) 8:45 am	24 Dec 2017 (Sunday) 10:30 pm (Carols by Candlelight Service)	25 Dec 2017 (Monday) 10:00 am	30 Dec 2017 (Saturday)	31 Dec 2017 (Sunday) 8:45 am	31 Dec 2017 (Sunday) 10:30 pm (WatchNight Covenant Service)
Preacher		Rev. Thomas Chin		Rev. Thomas Chin	No Service		
Scripture Reading		Mr. Lee Weng Woh		Mrs. Lynnette Tan			
Liturgist		Mr. Tang Khai Kit		Rev. Thomas Chin			
Worship Leader		Dr. Wong Lai Yin		Dr. Philip Ho			
Co-Worship Leaders		Mrs. May Cheah Mrs. Rita Tang Mr. Gavin Tang		Mrs. Selina Lim Mrs. Irene Lim Mrs. Juliana Yong			
Musicians		Ms. Emily Ho Dr. Chow Weng Sum Ms. Megan Ravi		Ms. Emily Ho Ms. Megan Ravi Mr. Loh Xiu Kin			
Visual Projectionist		Ms. Esther Tan		Dr. Vicky Loo Mr. Samuel Ho Mr. Daniel Leo Mr. Joshua Arjunan Mr. Gideon Jagadesh			
Welcome Team		Sunday Team		Saturday & Sunday Team			
Fellowship Hour		CG5 & CG20					
Flowers		Dr. Wong Lai Yin Ms. Chew Eng Bee					
						Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Pastor Dato' Daniel Ho
						Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo	Mr. Loh Xiu Ming
						Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
						Mrs. Jennifer Liew	Ms. Tham Lai Meng
						Mrs. Tan Sau Chun Mrs. Claire Lai Ms. Winnie Goh	Ms. Winnie Goh Mrs. Lana Lim
						Ms. Rachel Sum Mr. Micheal Drieberg Mr. Leong Siew Hong Mr. Justine Chai	Ms. Tiang Wen Sze Dr. Chow Weng Sum Mr. Daniel Leo
						Ms. Alicia Ching	Ms. Joy-Anne Yew
						Sunday Team	Saturday & Sunday Team
						CG6 & CG21	
						Julia Solomon & Freddie Lim	

CHURCH PROGRAMME

THIS WEEK

SUN	24	NO CGMC KIDS Resume 7 Jan 18	NO CGMC MYF Resume 7 Jan 18	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	
MON	25	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 3 Jan 18	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 5 Jan 18	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 27 Dec 17	
TUE	26	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 27 Dec 17	NO JERICHO HOUR Resume 9 Jan 18		
WED	27	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 3 Jan 18	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	28	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre		
FRI	29	NO KOPITIAM Resume January 2018	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 5 Jan 18	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	30	NO MORNING WATCH Resume 6 Jan 18	NO MANDARIN CLASS Resume March 2018		

NEXT WEEK

SUN	31	NO CGMC KIDS Resume 7 Jan 18	NO CGMC MYF Resume 7 Jan 18	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	
MON	01	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 3 Jan 18	HALF DAY PRAYER 9:00 am – 12:00 pm SS	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 5 Jan 18	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 02 Jan 18
TUE	02	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	NO JERICHO HOUR Resume 9 Jan 18		
WED	03	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	04	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre		
FRI	05	NO KOPITIAM Resume January 2018	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	06	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	NO MANDARIN CLASS Resume March 2018		

DAILY PRAYER GUIDE BASED ON THE SEVEN MOUNTAINS OF INFLUENCE (Dick Eastman, 2012)

You are encouraged to use the following in your daily intercession. As you are led by the Holy Spirit, pray specifically for our church, other churches, our nation and nations of the world.

1 RELIGION (The Church and her ministries)

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's anointing on all churches regardless of their denominations.
- Pray for ministries involved in evangelism and discipleship including foreign missionary activity.

At the recent 42nd TRAC Annual Conferences, a number of pastors are due for transfers as a result of their appointments, including Rev. Thomas Chin.

- Pray for all the pastors involved (especially Rev. Thomas Chin) including their families, to make the necessary preparation, and pray that the transfers will be carried out smoothly.
- We also welcome back Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan and Mrs. Anna Tan.

The Chairman of Christian Federation of Malaysia is calling on churches in Malaysia to pray for Pastor Raymond Koh and his family this Saturday & Sunday as we approach the 300th day of his abduction in broad daylight in Kelana Jaya.

- Pray for his wife and children that God will grant His presence, peace and persevering strength to them to face the uncertainty over his whereabouts.

Pray for CGMC's Jubilee Year

- As we celebrate the Jubilee Year, pray for unity among the pastors, leaders and members and for the Lord's favour to bring about a mighty spiritual breakthrough in all our ministries.
- Pray for 'Be A Blessing' project, that all cell groups, leaders and members will enthusiastically take up a project or two to bless those who are in need with the love and grace of God, and in turn be blessed.

2 FAMILY AND MARRIAGES (Youth, Children, Marriage, etc)

- Pray for families in general, and particularly for the healing of broken relationships in marriages and families especially among believers and those in the Christian ministry.

3 EDUCATION (All Schools, Universities, Colleges and Educators)

The focus is to pray for all institutions of learning; to give special emphasis and care for the very young, as children are so easily influenced and for those preparing for higher education.

- Pray for teachers and educators. Pray for those you know by name.

The school children are on a month-long holiday

- Pray for the protection of children from harm-ways.
- Pray that the parents and guardians will ensure that their children and charges are supervised and engage in healthy activities.

4 BUSINESS (The Marketplace)

This focus involves praying for a spiritual awakening in the marketplace.

- Pray especially that God will use Christian businessmen and businesswomen to influence others in their professions.
- Pray that major corporations will build their companies on a foundation of high moral and ethical standard.

5 GOVERNMENT (State, National and International)

Pray for the leaders of our state and the national government. Remember especially to intercede for the judiciary (judges) of our nation and the nations of the world. Intercede also for the military, the police and civil servants.

Once again the East Coast States of Peninsular Malaysia are experiencing the North-East Monsoon.

- Pray for the Lord's restraining hand on the weather to prevent excessive flooding and the protection of human lives and properties

Pray for children at risk

- More than half a million Rohingyas have fled to Bangladesh from Myanmar, among them are thousands of children suffering from malnutrition and sicknesses. Pray for international aid of basic needs and medicines to save the children.
- The civil war in Yemen also displaced thousands of children who are suffering from malnutrition and some are dying from famines because of shortage of food and medicines. Pray for the children to be saved.

6 MEDIA (The Press, Television, Internet, Social Network)

- Ask God to cause all aspects of the media and information technology to become a tool in His hands to change the culture around us for His honour and glory.

7 ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT (including sports)

This focus includes all the various fields of the arts and entertainment including sports.

Ask God to use Christians in these areas to influence and impact those around them.

SERMON NOTES

Sermon Title: Our Time In Jesus' Second Coming

Scripture Text: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Welcome to CGMC Worship Service

May you encounter God and be enriched in your fellowship with us.
Visitors, guests and members are welcome to join us for coffee / tea
at our Concourse after worship.

SERVICES

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

24 December 2017, Sunday 10:30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

25 December 2017, Monday 10am

NEW YEAR EVE SUNDAY SERVICE

31 December 2017, Sunday 8:45am,

WATCH NIGHT AND HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE (COVENANT RENEWAL SERVICE)

31 December 2017, Sunday 10:30pm

HALF DAY OF PRAYER FOR NEW YEAR

01 January 2018, Monday 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

CGMC 50th Anniversary Choir



Come join our
combined BM,
Chinese and
English
congregation
choir !!

***We will sing 2 songs in 3 languages at the 50th
anniversary combined service on 29 April 2018!***

**Rehearsals every Sunday
12.15 - 1.30pm, starting 14 Jan**