



OUR CHURCH MISSION : To glorify God by being and making disciples of Christ Jesus

Setting our mind on things above

Human minds make powerful connections. While our brain is the command centre or the central organ of the human nervous system, our human thoughts affect the way we think, believe and behave. The world we live in gives us different views of how we can live our lives on this earth. Advertisers spend millions of dollars to capture our attention and make us follow the way the world thinks. This leads us to adopt a worldly lifestyle, leaving God out. Dismally, this makes our thinking futile, lacking true understanding of how God wants us to live.

The natural tendency of human beings is to think our way away from God, leaving them hopeless and confused. The apostle Paul described how the pagans lived typical Gentile lifestyles from which the Christians must flee. God made us alive so that we need not go with the flow of the world, following the desires of the flesh that oppose the spirit of God. When we become a new creation in Christ (2 Corinthians 5-17), we are to live out the Christian life by putting off the old self and putting on the new self. When we desire to be different, renewed in the mind of Christ, we are being rooted and built up in Christ, and established in the faith. And we will be overflowing with thankfulness (Colossians 2:7).

Right thinking is important for right living. What we think in our minds determines how we act. There is continuity between our actions, thoughts and attitudes (Proverbs 23:7). Sanctification is an ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in us. When we set our affection on things above (Colossians 3:1-2), we are appropriating our ongoing

instruction in Christ, which is the source of truth and the work of the Holy Spirit, who is described as the Spirit of Truth in John 16:12-15.

Therefore, setting our minds on things above helps us to build our lives from a heavenly perspective; to condition our minds to think with a biblical outlook that seeks God's will. True happiness can never be found in what the world has to offer. Matthew 6 reminds us that true happiness and treasures are only found in heaven. Paul emphatically claims that believers are buried with Christ through baptism and raised with Him through faith, and that we are to live for Christ and not for ourselves anymore. A mind that is set towards heaven will reflect in the way we live our lives. One of the best ways to develop a spiritual discipline is to read God's word and to pray without ceasing.

In Hermon, our ministries are gospel centric and that helps us to put on the mind of Christ in everything that we do for the Lord. Our pulpit ministry faithfully teaches us the word of God week after week. As we unpack the scripture verses in our bible study, what we are doing is taking in God's word deeply, and that helps us to set our minds on things above. The more we let God in and let go of ourselves, the more we will mature in Christ and move towards the heavenly goal.

In the prayer ministry, we engage in corporate prayer. As we pray about all that concerns the church and the members, we are actually learning how to love God and one another. Isn't that what our Lord commanded us to do? As we become more involved in the business of God, we are being fashioned to adopt a biblical perspective in everything.

Let us press on and set our minds on things above, which are of eternal value.

Dns Malar Thomas

(Editorial Writers: 15 Nov – Ps Daniel Tan; 22 Nov – Ps Luwin Wong)

PRAYER ITEMS

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”
Colossians 3:16-17

CHURCH

Hermon Children and Youth Ministry – Thank the Lord for providing us a new staff team for 2021: Ps Luwin Wong (Overseer), Eld Sim Chow Meng (Head of HCYM), Zebedee Lee (YM Supervisor), Pauline Fong (CM Supervisor) and Samuel Chan (Youth Activities). Ask the Lord to grant them wisdom and strength to do what He has given them to do. Pray for a smooth transition for both the YM and CM leadership.

Project Ebenezer – We thank God that all the banking details for the PLC ‘Dew of Hermon’ has been finalised. Pray for wisdom and direction as we finalise the business details of the PLC. May the completion of the purchase of the unit be according to schedule in mid-December.

Biblical Grandparenting Seminar – Pray that the Lord will protect the speakers Rev David & Jenny Wong in their preparation and give them discernment on the relevant issues for our community. May the Lord encourage us all to participate.

WORLD

Typhoons and Earthquakes – Typhoons have hit the Philippines and Vietnam and an earthquake has hit Turkey and Greece a few days ago. Pray for the Lord’s comfort to be upon families who have lost their loved ones and homes. Pray for timely rescue aids and protection on the people during these crises.

Opening of Singapore’s Border – Community cases here have been low for the past months and Singapore is planning on opening more borders. Pray for wisdom to be upon the authorities as they prepare to ease up travel arrangements to more countries, ensuring border control measures are effectively implemented and enforced. Pray for protection for travelers who are visiting or returning from high risk countries.

PASTORAL CARE

Birthdays (08-14 Nov 2020) – We rejoice with our members whose birthdays fall this week: Jennifer Seah-Teo, David Leong, Dn James Quek, Mary Lim, Darren Leong, Ps Daniel Tan, Kelly Choo, Andrew Ang and Sebastian Lee Soon Chuan.

08 Nov - Christine Lei/ 15 Nov - Deborah Engelsen



SYNCHRONISED PRAYER – Wed (11 Nov), 8.00pm

Let’s pray wherever we are in unity to our Father in heaven

Prayer leader: Zebedee Lee **Focus:** Parenting & Grandparenting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES @ CCKBC – We are now open to accommodate 100 congregants in two zones of 50 each. Zone 1 is in the front portion of Jerusalem Sanctuary and Zone 2 is in the back portion. Please register for the service at http://www.hermon.org.sg/?page_id=93
Please note that congregants are not to mingle across the two zones and specific toilets have been assigned for respective zones. Please follow the steward's directions when you enter CCKBC. All other activities in CCKBC shall still remain suspended till further notice.

APPRECIATION SUNDAY (08 Nov) – We want to thank all who are serving in 2020. As we cannot have a thanksgiving lunch, the church would like to send each serving member and friend a thank you care package on the week of 8 Nov. In order not to inconvenience members, if you are not at home, it will be hung on your front door. We thank the YACG for packing the gifts and members who have volunteered to deliver them.

OFFERTORY – We would like to encourage you to tithe and give your offerings electronically via **PayNow, Internet Banking or Quick Cheque Deposit**. We strongly encourage you to use PayNow. For internet banking and quick cheques, please pay to our bank accounts. You can email our church office at church@hermon.org.sg or visit www.hermon.org.sg for our bank details.

HIM SEMINAR – What is grandparenting? How is it different from parenting? The Bible refers to God as the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Exodus 3:6). How do grandparents pray and work to ensure faith is passed from one generation to another? Join us via Zoom on **Sun 22 Nov (2.00pm –4.00pm)** and learn **Biblical Grandparenting** to enjoy grandparenthood as a season of life to bless and be blessed! To register, scan this QR code or click this link <https://forms.gle/xCsA7SeyT14RL2bQ6>
Registration closes on Fri, 13 Nov.



CHURCH EVENTS IN DEC 2020

- **Sun, 13 Dec, 11am** – Baptismal Service
- **Fri, 25 Dec, 11am** – Christmas Day Service (Bring a friend to hear the Gospel.)
- **Thur 31 Dec, 8pm** – Watchnight Services @ Homes – Let's continue to build deeper and strengthen further our faith community, by gathering in homes (in family pairs) for our decentralised Watchnight Services. We can then all log on to Zoom, One Hermon in Many Homes. May we all have an intimate time of thankful reflection upon God's grace and mercies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE IN HENDERSON – Serve with love initiative by Allspice Institute Culinary School and House on the Moon that supports single mothers with training and jobs matching through cooking to feed 50 persons of low-income backgrounds twice weekly in Henderson area. They are looking for volunteers to help with collection and distribution every Tues and Thurs from 5pm to 6 pm. You can either commit to once or twice a week or on ad hoc basis. Volunteers may take the opportunity to befriend those who come to collect the bento set.

You can also build relationships with the single mothers in the kitchen and/or visit them in their homes in the evenings. If you have further clarifications or want to register yourself, please contact Dns Lai Kin at 98426551.

ON LEAVE – 1) Ps Daniel will be on leave from 09 Nov to 15 Nov. Ps Luwin will be covering in his absence. 2) Tsang Wai Lan will be on leave 11 Nov.

Online Courses : Jan to Mar 2021



Visit www.ttc.edu.sg for more details

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays
Christian Spirituality and Ministry <small>(validated for Local Preachers licensing)</small>	Journeys Beyond the Comfort Zone	Christian Doctrine	Evangelical Theology and Spirituality: Problems and Prospects
Rev Dr Jimmy Tan	Rev Dr David Wong W. F.	Rev Dr Edmund Fong	Rev Dr Simon Chan



EQUIP

A TTC LAY TRAINING INITIATIVE

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2021 TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE EQUIP COURSES (Jan-Mar) – TTC is organising four EQUIP evening courses designed to help Christians to have a deeper appreciation of their faith and to grow in their Christian discipleship. Online details and registration are available at TTC website www.ttc.edu.sg or at this link – <https://ttc.edu.sg/english/equip-evening-courses/>.

COVENANT GROUP MEETINGS	
CG & Leader	2020 Dates / Time online
Agape - Lester Cheng	18 Nov, Wed, 8.00pm online
CCK Open Care	27 Nov, Fri, 7.30pm online
de Vine - Jennifer Seah	13 Nov, Fri, 9.00am online
El Shaddai - Gillian Lim	21 Nov, Sat, 9.30am online
Immanuel - Karen Sim	21 Nov, Sat, 10am online
Jehovah Jireh - Dns Malar Thomas	13 Nov, Fri, 8.00pm online
Klema - Dn Richard Yew	20 Nov, Fri, 8.00pm online
Koinonia (Clementi) - Dn Mike Fong	20 Nov, Fri, 8.00pm online
Koinonia (W'lands) - Simon Toh	13 Nov, Fri, 8.00pm online
Lakers - Dawn Tan	14 Nov, Sat, 3.00pm online
Living Water - Daniel Woon	Today, Sun, 2.00pm online
Morning Glory - Jeanette Ler-Lee	19 Nov, Thu, 9.30am online
New Life - Dn Lee Pang Wee	14 Nov, Sat, 8.00pm online
Paideia - Gene Tan	Today, Sun, 1.30pm online
Young Adults - Ps Luwin Wong	20 Nov, Fri, 7.30pm online

YOUTH BIBLE CLASS	NOVEMBER
Youth (Pr 6 - Post Sec) online	Jeremiah Chan
CHILDREN BIBLE CLASS	NOVEMBER
Nursery to Kindergarten	Classes suspended
P1 – P3 online	Phoebe Li
P4 – P5 online	Dns Malar Thomas

ATTENDANCE (Last Week)	OFFERING AND PLEDGES			
	Fund	Last week	Month Total	Jan-to-Dec
Service online	General Fund	\$7,410.00	\$7,410.00	\$416,071.40
	Dev Fund	\$2,325.00	\$2,325.00	\$1,025,611.70

<p>OFFERING TO GENERAL FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue cheque to Mount Hermon BP Church • PayNow to UEN S88SS0035HGF1 or use QR Code on the right 	
 <p>OFFERING TO DEVELOPMENT FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue cheque to Mount Hermon BP Church – Development Fund • PayNow to UEN S88SS0035HDF1 or use QR Code on the left 	

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. (2 Corinthians 9:7, 12)

GOD'S MESSAGE

Date: 08 November, 2020
Speaker: Ps Daniel Tan
Sermon Title: The maturing disciple seeks personal holiness and corporate unity
Sermon Text: Colossians 3:1-17

Seeking Personal Holiness (v1 – 8)

Seeking Corporate Unity (v9-17)

Concluding Reflections

- In your experience, what are some ways you have been helped to 'set your mind on things that are above'? What might you do to increase this influence on your life?
- Reflect how the fellowship of believers has helped you to live as Scripture encourages us to live in Colossians 3:5-11.
- In what practical ways does the word of Christ play a role in the Christian fellowship in Hermon? What is the purpose of hearing the word together? What do you think can be done to make it more effective?

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Sunday Service

11.00am- 12.30pm

Children & Youth

Bible Class

11.30am-12.30pm

Prayer Meeting

Every 2nd & 4th Wed
8.00pm-9.30pm

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Order of Worship

08 November 2020, 11.00 am

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Church Theme 2020: "Keep Strengthening Our Roots"

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-12

Opening Song

Come, People of the Risen Christ

Opening Prayer

Worship in Songs

This Life I Live
Walk Worthy of the Lord

Offertory/Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Text

Colossians 3:1-17

Message

The maturing disciple seeks personal holiness and corporate unity

Closing Hymn

May the Mind of Christ my Savior

Benediction

Three-Fold Amen

Holy Communion will be served to those who are present in the Jerusalem Sanctuary after Service.

Speaker: Ps Daniel Tan **Worship Leader:** Dn Lee Pak Choon
Scripture Reader: Jason Chan **Pastoral Prayer/Benediction:** Eld Sim Chow Meng
Music/Vocal: John Chua, Rebecca Li, Lydia Li and Phoebe Li, Macarios Darren Thomas, Theophilus Darrius Thomas, Evangeline Divina Thomas
Video Editor: Dion Ow **Communion:** Eld Peter Seah
PA: Joel Mak **Projectionist:** Benjamin Chua **Stewards:** Nelson Chong & team
Safety Officers: Dn James Quek & Dn Lee Pang Wee

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE (15 NOV) – COMMUNION

Sermon text: Colossians 3:18-4:6 **Speaker:** Dn Lee Pang Wee
Worship Leader: Marcus Lim **Scripture Reader:** May Seah **Pastoral Prayer Benediction/Communion:** Ps Luwin **Music/Vocal:** John Chua, Macarios Darren Thomas, Theophilus Darrius Thomas, Evangeline Divina Thomas, Rebecca Li, Lydia Li and Phoebe Li
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