

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to Mr Gn Chiang Tat to our pulpit this morning. He is a member of Moriah BP and a senior staff in SYFC. He has ministered to many families with difficulties for many years both in and outside of Singapore.

Pray for Dn Lim Chien Chong as he prepares to speak on Sunday (26 November) from Psalm 24. [Message title](#): "The Coming King." Service will be livestreamed at 9:30 am at bit.ly/gracebpsermos.

Congratulations to Dn Daniel Tan and Tabitha on the birth of their daughter, Gracia Tan En-Ying on 15 October 2023.

Evangelism and Missions Ministry. There will be a church outreach session at Bedok South Horizon on 3 December Sunday. Meet in church at 3.30pm to pray and for a briefing. Set off at 4pm. Please inform Teck Shi or Catherine if you are joining, for planning purposes.

Christmas Outreach at Bedok South Horizons. Grace BPC will be holding an outreach event at St Andrew's Senior Care centre at Bedok South Horizons on 22 December from 1pm-2:30pm. Event will include games and craft for the seniors living in the area followed by tea. We hope that more Gracians will be encouraged to come, befriend and establish contact with the seniors as part of our outreach efforts. Please contact Ailing, David or Jenny Chin if you are able to join us for the event.

Christmas Service 2023 on 24 December will be combined with the Mandarin Service. Details will be given later.

NEXT WEEK'S APPOINTMENTS

Speaker	Dn Lim Chien Chong
Worship Leader	James Chen
Musicians	Adeline Lek, Joanna Hor
Scripture Reader	Alex Chan
AV Ministry	Carol Lee, Evonne Tee
Ushers	Augustine Tham, Lee Kee Min, Alex Chan, Elsie Chan
Junior Worship	Lee Min Sen
Pre-Primary Worship	Hannah Yeo
Flowers	Hannah Yeo
Refreshments	-
Prayer Meeting Devotion	Tan Chew Gim

LAST WEEK'S GIVINGS

Offerings \$ 2, 641.50
Tithes \$ 1, 611.50

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LET US PRAY

Join us in praying for the church and the world via Zoom. Please contact Rev Tan at 9784 2761 for Zoom meeting ID and password. You may also email us your prayer items at prayer@gracebpc.org.sg

MEDITATE ON GOD'S WORD

Security

"For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39 ESV

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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OUR MISSION

To bring people to salvation in Jesus Christ and disciple them in their relationship with Christ.

OUR VISION

To be a church that is passionate about God, transformed by the Word, authentic in relationship, and bold in witness.

Speaker
Mr Gn Chiang Tat

Worship Leader
Dn Jeremy Hor

Musicians
Cheryl Chiu
Leong Kay En

Scripture Reader
Carol Lee

AV Ministry
Nathanael Goh
Melinda Poh

Ushers
Tan Teck Shi
Jonathan Sam
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	
Call to Worship	The Lord Is in His Holy Temple
Opening Song	MH109 Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Opening Prayer	Gloria Patri
Worship in Song	MH112 God Leads Us Along MH 85 Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Responsive Reading	Psalm 119:129-144 (KJV)
Giving and Thanksgiving	The Everlasting Love of God
Doxology	
Scripture Reading	Psalm 23 (ESV)
Pre-Sermon Song	The Lord's My Shepherd (Psalm 23)
Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	<i>The Good Shepherd</i>
Closing Song	He Will Hold Me Fast
Benediction	Threefold Amen

Month of November Preaching Schedule

5 Nov "An Abomination to the Lord: Witchcraft and Divination" (Dt. 18: 9-14)
12 Nov "Anointed for Suffering" - (Ps. 22)
19 Nov "The Good Shepherd" - (Ps. 23)
26 Nov "The Coming King" - (Ps. 24)

Sunday Worship & Activities

9.30am Main Service 10.00am Junior Worship 11.30am Bible Classes
(7-12 yrs old)

A GOOD SHEPHERD FOR NEDDY SHEEP

By Marshall Segal

A Good Shepherd for Weak Sheep

The hope of all who look to heaven for help sings, “Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever” (Ps. 23:6). Beyond everything I can see right now, and lasting forever, is a gift that can satisfy and protect me long after all my enemies are dead and gone. That gift is God himself. He is the goodness better than any good we’ve seen or heard or tasted here (Ps. 16:11), and he is the shelter safer than any government or laws or armies in any nation on earth. The promises of our Shepherd flood every valley in this life with light, and reveal the path to never-ending, never-waning, never-in-danger—again peace and happiness.

Hope in the face of terror and peace in the face of danger say a great deal about the trust we have in God and about the God in whom we trust. God loves to work in ways that reveal his strength and beauty, and so David says, “He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness *for his name’s sake*” (Ps. 23:3). God has written opposition and danger into the world, and into our stories, at least in part to tell the world about himself—his holiness, his justice, his love, his power to save.

A Good Shepherd from Bethlehem

Who is this shepherd?

I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. *I am the good shepherd.* The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. (John 10:9–11)

Jesus, born in Bethlehem and crucified in Jerusalem, *is* the good shepherd of Psalm 23. He leads us into safe pastures (Ps. 23:2). He walks us besides living waters (Ps. 23:2; John 4:10). He restores the frightened, the broken, and the wounded (Ps. 23:3). He comforts and guides us through the valley (Ps. 23:4). And he gives us the victory over our enemies (Ps. 23:5).

Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory *through our Lord Jesus Christ.*” (1 Cor. 15:54–55, 57)

A Good Shepherd for All Time

But why does David find hope, comfort, and strength in God the shepherd rather than in God the righteous judge or warrior king? Because the caring, gentle companion of weak and defenseless sheep is also the all-powerful, undefeated veteran of history’s greatest war. The shepherd of Psalm 23 is the conquering hero of the future.

He who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. (Rev. 7:15–17)

In that day, God will finally defeat and destroy every threat and every fear. He will be a terrifying and overwhelming adversary for all who oppose him and all who abuse his children. And the peace and comfort we’ve tasted only in brief moments in this life will bloom into full and uninterrupted realities for all the redeemed.

Therefore, we—the weak and defenseless sheep—do not want, shall not want, and shall be delivered from every dark valley we meet.

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