# SMACC Service

16 February 2025 | 9am, 11am, 5pm



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# Welcome & Prayer

# Song: The Chorus Of The Saved

See the radiance of God Risen Son All the angels rejoice at His name All creation's sustained By the power of His Word And His throne will endure For now and ever Perfect Son Sacrificed once for all Power of sin fear of death now destroyed Raised to life raised on high Jesus name above all names His acclaim will resound Beyond the ages

Come join the song In earth and heaven voices raised In the chorus of the saved Come shout His name Come lift a sacrifice of praise With the chorus of the saved

Through His blood Our forgiveness is sure By His Spirit within We'll endure Holding on to this hope As an anchor for our soul And our eyes fixed on Jesus The One who saves us Now let us draw near the holiest place Our hearts full of faith Our lips full of praise So let us draw near the holiest place Now pure through His blood Our sins washed away

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# **Prayer of Confession**

All: Heavenly Father,
you have loved us with an everlasting love,
but we have gone our own way
and broken your laws.
We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us and change us.
By your Holy Spirit,
enable us to live for you,
and to please you more and more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

# Song: God The Uncreated One (King Forevermore)

God the uncreated One The Author of salvation Wrote the laws of space and time And fashioned worlds to His design The One whom angel hosts revere Hung the stars like chandeliers Numbered every grain of sand Knows the heart of every man He is King forever He is King forever He is King forever God our fortress and our strength The Rock on which we can depend Matchless in His majesty His power and authority Unshaken by the schemes of man Never changing Great I am Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall He is faithful through it all Crown Him King forever Crown Him King forever

Mighty God in mortal flesh Forsaken by a traitor's kiss The curse of sin and centuries Did pierce the lowly Prince of Peace Lifted high the sinless man Crucified the spotless Lamb Buried by the sons of man Rescued by the Father's hand To reign as King forever Reign as King forever Reign as King forever King eternal God of grace We crown You with the highest praise Heaven shouts and saints adore You're holy holy holy Lord What joy in everlasting life All is love and faith is sight Justice rolls and praises rise At the name of Jesus Christ King of kings forever King of kings forever

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# **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, All: creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# **Greeting Time**

# **Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 8:11-20**

<sup>11</sup> "Take care lest you forget the LORD your God by not keeping his commandments and his rules and his statutes, which I command you today, <sup>12</sup> lest, when you have eaten and are full and have built good houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks multiply and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup> who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, <sup>16</sup> who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know, that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end. <sup>17</sup> Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' <sup>18</sup> You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is

he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. <sup>19</sup> And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. <sup>20</sup> Like the nations that the LORD makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

*Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 36:5-12 (SMACC 1 & 2)

<sup>5</sup> Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

# <sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup> How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup> They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

<sup>9</sup> For with you is the fountain of life;

in your light do we see light.

# <sup>10</sup> Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,

#### and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

<sup>11</sup> Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away.

#### <sup>12</sup> There the evildoers lie fallen;

they are thrust down, unable to rise.

- *Reader:* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
- All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

## New Testament Reading: Matthew 19:13-26

<sup>13</sup> Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, <sup>14</sup> but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." <sup>15</sup> And he laid his hands on them and went away.

<sup>16</sup> And behold, a man came up to him, saying, "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?" <sup>17</sup> And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." <sup>18</sup> He said to him, "Which ones?" And Jesus said, "You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, <sup>19</sup> Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbour as yourself." <sup>20</sup> The young man said to him, "All these I have kept. What do I still lack?"<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." <sup>22</sup> When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

<sup>23</sup> And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, only with difficulty will a rich person enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>24</sup> Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>25</sup> When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" <sup>26</sup> But Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

*Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# Song: Salvation Belongs To Our God

Salvation belongs to our God Who sits upon the throne And unto the Lamb Praise and glory wisdom and thanks Honor and power and strength.

Be to our God Forever and ever Be to our God Forever and ever Be to our God Forever and ever Amen

And we the redeemed shall be strong In purpose and unity Declaring aloud Praise and glory wisdom and thanks Honor and power and strength

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# Sermon: Following Jesus Matthew 19:13-26

- 1) Introduction
- 2) The Children (v13-15)
- 3) The Rich Young Man (v16-22)
- 4) Entering the Kingdom (v23-26)
- 5) Conclusion

(If you have questions regarding the sermon, please submit at <u>stmarys.my/ask</u>)

# Song: Take My Life And Let It Be

Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to Thee Take my moments and my days Let them flow in ceaseless praise Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing Always only for my King Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee Filled with messages from Thee Take my silver and my gold Not a mite would I withhold Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine Take my heart it is Thine own It shall be Thy royal throne It shall be Thy royal throne

Take my love my Lord I pour At Thy feet its treasure store Take myself and I will be Ever only all for Thee Ever only all for Thee

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# **Ministry Updates**

# **Prayers of Intercession**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.

# Song: We Are His People

We, we are God's people Once, dead in our sin and Now, raised up with Christ in heaven God, rich in His mercy Made us all alive in Christ Seated with Him forever

By grace we are saved through faith Not from us but God Not our works or boasting By grace we are saved through faith Not from us but God Not our works or boasting By grace

We, we are God's people Once, once who were far away Saved by the blood of Jesus Now, we are His temple Filled, filled with His Spirit Made - for doing good in Jesus Words and Music by Philip Percival © 2002 Philip Percival Used by Permission. CCLI Licence No. 332301

## **Closing and Grace**

All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Minister:Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.All:In the name of Christ. Amen.

# **Connect with us**

Thank you for joining our service. If you would like for us to get in touch with you, or have any feedback for us, please fill in our Connection Card at <u>stmarys.my/connect</u>.

# Giving

#### **Online transfer**

Bank name: **Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Bhd** Account name: **St Mary's Cathedral** Account number: **312 142 334 691** 

Recipient reference: If giving a pledge, enter **your 3digit pledge number**. Otherwise, enter the service you normally attend. If giving to the Ministry Workers Fund, please put **"MWF**".

For one-off giving, please email the bank-in slip or online transfer receipt to: collections@stmaryscathedral.org.my

#### **E-wallet**

Scan the following QR code using any banking or e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure "**SMACC**" is listed as the payee.



Note: This method of giving is analogous to putting cash into the offertory bag/box. Your donation will go to the General Fund. You will not be given a receipt. Do not use this to give a pledge.

Details on our webpage: <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/give">stmarys.my/give</a>.

#### **Giving via Pledge Envelopes**

In recent years, the church giving system has moved from a pledge envelope system to an online giving system. Those who wish to remain contributing via pledge envelopes are advised to write their pledge numbers on any blank envelopes and drop them in the allocated boxes at church.

## **Giving to the Ministry Workers Fund**

If you would like to give to the Ministry Workers Fund, please scan the following QR code using any banking or ewallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure "**MWF**" is listed as the payee.



# **Onsite and Online Services**

Here are the details of our English onsite services on Sundays:

- Liturgical Services 7am, 9am, 11am
- Contemporary (SMACC) Services 9am (Wisma Anglican), 11am, 5pm

If you are joining us online on Sundays, the Liturgical service will be livestreamed at 9am.

More information about our services can be found here: <u>stmarys.my/services</u>.

# **Cathedral Kids' Church**

The Kids' Church classes run on Sunday mornings. The different age groups meet at their respective classrooms at the Cathedral. Parents may pick up their children after the 11am church services ends. Please email <u>kidschurch@stmaryscathedral.org.my</u> or speak to our Kids' Church teachers for further information.

## **Opportunities to Serve**

Do you have a heart for service and a desire to be part of a vibrant community? St Mary's Cathedral is looking for dedicated people to help us in various roles. If you're a regular at the Cathedral and would like to lend a hand, we encourage you to register your interest today! Simply visit <u>stmarys.my/serve</u> to learn more and fill out the serving form. We look forward to welcoming you onto our team!

# **Community Meal at the Cathedral**

Next Community Meal: 9 March 2025

#### SMAGLOW 2025

SMAGLOW, our camp for the English congregations of the Cathedral, is happening from 1-3 May 2025 at Port Dickson Methodist Centre. Registration opens on Sunday, 16 February. To register and for more information, please visit our website at <u>stmarys.my/smaglow</u>.

## Join Our Ushering Ministry

We are looking for volunteers to serve as ushers for our 7am, 9am & 11am Liturgical services. Ushers play a vital role in welcoming people, assisting with seating, and ensuring a smooth flow during the service.

Serving as an usher is more than just a practical role as it is an opportunity to reflect Christ's love by extending hospitality, to serve the body of Christ with joy, and to help create an environment where people can worship God without distraction. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know by filling in a Connection Card at <u>stmarys.my/connect</u>. We would love to have you join us in this ministry!

# Belonging

Belonging is our orientation programme for people who have recently started coming to our services. If you are new with us, please do come along to find out more about our church, what it means to belong to God's kingdom, and how this is expressed in our local church.

Location: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Chapel, St Mary's Cathedral KL Date: Saturday, 22 March 2025 Time: 10am - 3pm (Lunch provided) Register: <u>stmarys.my/belonging</u> Please register by Wednesday, 19 March 2025)

# **Small Groups for English Liturgical Services**

If you attend an English Liturgical service, we encourage you to join one of these Growth Groups, as we seek to grow to maturity in Christ together.

Day	Time	Location	Leader
Thursday (Fortnightly)	7.30 pm	Bangsar	Gregory Kong
Friday	8.30 pm	Cathedral*	Mark Raj
			Marcus Lee
Saturday	10.30 am	Cathedral*	SP Lim
			Shang Hwah Lee
Saturday (Fortnightly)	2.00 pm	Jalan Gasing	Michael Wong
Sunday	2.00 pm	Cathedral	Darren Lee (Young Adults Group)

\*Online option available

Growth Groups meet regularly around God's Word. Group members pray for each other, encourage each other in the faith, and support each other through the ups and downs of life. Sometimes they share in meals and have fun too!

Please speak to any of the group leaders or pastoral team members to find out more. Alternatively, fill in a form at <u>stmarys.my/smallgroups</u>.

#### **Personal Details Update**

Thank you for being here with us at St Mary's Cathedral and we would like to get to know you better. Here is a form to update your contact details on our church management system, for us to stay in touch with you. This will also help the pastoral and admin teams to have details of those whom we are seeking to serve.

#### stmarys.my/survey

Rest assured that we will be safeguarding the information and it will not be used for any commercial purposes.

# **Building Roof & External Walls**

The main roof and external walls of the Cathedral are in need of major repairs to address leaks that are threatening the comfort and safety of the building. We will need to raise funds for the repair and restoration works. For more information on the extent of damage and works, and for occasional updates on the funds collected, please visit <u>stmarys.my/building</u>.

# Seminars

Our website has a page dedicated to seminars that we ran in the past. Topics include gender identity, parenting, relationships and church history. If you would like to listen

## **Donation for Flowers**

If you would like to donate flowers to commemorate occasions (such as anniversary, memorial, baptism, birthday), you can let us know by indicating on the spreadsheet on the notice board at the Cathedral entrance. Please send a WhatsApp message to Janet Chan (017 213 3418) and she will contact you to discuss the type, colour and cost of flowers. Payment for the flowers can be made by placing it in an envelope and writing on the envelope the purpose for the payment (in this case 'Flowers'). Please drop the envelope in one of the allocated collection boxes at church. If you would like a receipt to be issued to you, please write your name and contact number on the envelope, and we will send the receipt to you.

# St Mary's Agape Mission School

St Mary's Agape Mission School is always on the lookout for volunteers or anyone looking to sponsor a refugee child's education for the short / long term. No prerequisites required.

For more information, please contact Dr Mei Tan at agapeschool@stmaryscathedral.org.my

# The Daily Office

We invite you to join us for the Daily Office – a short daily service with systematic Bible readings and set prayers. This will take place every day at 7.30am by Zoom (except Sunday).

If you think this would be a helpful part of your daily routine, please join us by simply going to <u>stmarys.my/dailyoffice</u> at about 7.25am each day for a 7.30am start. That will take you directly to the Zoom room where the service takes place. The service will finish before 8am.

#### **Pastoral Needs**

If you are a regular at St Mary's Cathedral and would like to make an appointment to talk to a member of the pastoral team, please let us know by filling in a Connection Card at <u>stmarys.my/connect</u> or call the Cathedral Office at 03 2692 8672.

If there is a pastoral emergency, you can reach the pastoral team on our Emergency Pastoral Care Hotline: 011 2091 4458.

# **Small Groups**

Looking to connect with a Christian community? We encourage you to consider joining one of our in-person or online small groups. This is one of the important ways we grow together as a community of God's people as we gather under his Word and seek to encourage one another to persevere in following Jesus.

If you would like to join a small group, please fill in a form at <u>stmarys.my/smallgroups</u> and we'd be happy to help find you one.

## **Youth Fellowship**

Our Youth Fellowship (ages 13-18) meets on Sundays at 9am in the GF3 room (the room between the Pantry and

the Old Office). If you would like to join us, please sign up at <u>stmarys.my/youth</u>.

#### **Youth Confirmation Programme**

If you would like to indicate interest in our Youth Confirmation Programme for your teenager aged 13-17, please let us know at <u>stmarys.my/youthbaptismconfirmation</u> and we will inform you when the next one starts.

# Subscribe to our Mailing List

To receive emails about latest updates and important news about the Cathedral, fill in the form at <u>stmarys.my/subscribe</u>.

# **Carparking for Cathedral Services**

If you are attending any of the services or events at St Mary's Cathedral, please park at the Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark across the road. The Cathedral Carpark is reserved for women travelling alone who may feel unsafe parking in the Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark, people with young children who would find it hard to cross the road with them, and those who are elderly, or suffering from illness or disability who would then find it hard to walk from the carpark across the road.

If you fall into any of the categories above and wish to park in the Cathedral, please visit <u>stmarys.my/booking</u> to book a carpark on Sundays. There is also an option for you to indicate on the form that you would like to book a parking spot for 6 months. Your car plate number will then be given to the guards and you will be allowed in.

Bookings for carparking will open at 2pm on Sunday and close at noon on Friday.

If you miss a booking but you fall into any of the categories mentioned above and need to park in the Cathedral, you may request for a temporary paper form from the guard to allow you to park just for that day. If you are parking in the Cathedral, please drive slowly and carefully for the sake of the safety of the many pedestrians in the Cathedral compound.

# **Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark**

Here are the weekend parking rates (Saturday & Sunday):

12am-9.59am – RM 4.00 per entry 10am-11.59pm – RM 5.00 per entry

For more information on payment methods, you can find them at stmarys.my/dataran.

## Work Care Panel

We have a panel to help our Cathedral community look for work or advise about work and training opportunities. If you're looking for work and wouldn't mind a helping hand, fill in our Connection Card at <u>stmarys.my/connect</u>, indicating that you would like someone from the Work Care Panel to contact you.

# **Photography/Video Recordings during Services**

Please note that taking photographs and/or recording videos are not allowed during our services without prior permission. If you would like to have footage of the service, you may look up our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

# WhatsApp Announcement Groups

We have new WhatsApp announcement groups! Do join your service community to receive the appropriate updates on the goings-on here at the cathedral. You can join by clicking the links below. Only admins will be able to post and to see the phone numbers of everyone in the group. You will get the order of service for the congregation you are in each week (with all the announcements within the document). Admins will carefully limit the number of other announcements sent out to avoid overloading your WhatsApp inbox.



Liturgical 7am



Liturgical Online



Liturgical 9am



SMACC 1



Liturgical 11am







**SMACC Wisma** 

# The Licensing of Layreaders – Wynn Tee & Lim Sian Pheng

Please pray for Wynn Tee and Lim Sian Pheng who will be licensed as layreaders today at the Liturgical 7am & 11am services, respectively.