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Welcome & Prayer

Song: Sing

Did you draw a breath as the dawn awoke
And does your heart still beat?
Is the mighty Word of the living God
Upholding you? Then sing, O sing

Has the Father's love filled your longing heart
With grace for every need?
Come and lay your burdens at Jesus' feet
And find new strength to sing, O sing

*Morning and evening! Everything breathing
Must sing, O sing!
All of creation rise up and praise
The King of kings and sing!*

Has the Son of God died to take away
Your sin and set you free?
Has the Conqueror trampled over death?
Is Christ enthroned? Then sing, O sing!

On the final day when the Lord on High
Returns in majesty
We will bow in wonder before the Lamb
And evermore the saints will sing
Yes, evermore the saints will sing!

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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: Jesus Your Mercy

Jesus Your mercy is all my plea
I have no defence my guilt runs too deep
The best of my works
Pierced Your hands and Your feet
Jesus Your mercy is all my plea

Jesus Your mercy is all my boast
The goodness I claim the grounds of my hope
Whatever I lack it's still what I need most
Jesus Your mercy is all my boast

*Praise the King who bore my sin
Took my place when I stood condemned
Oh, how good You've always been to me
I will sing of Your mercy*

Jesus Your mercy is all my rest
When fears weigh me down and enemies press
A comfort I cling to in life and in death
Jesus Your mercy is all my rest

Jesus Your mercy is all my joy
Forever I'll lift my heart and my voice
To sing of a treasure no pow'r can destroy
Jesus Your mercy is all my joy

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The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
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: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

¹ And Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the LORD;
my horn is exalted in the LORD.

My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation.

² “There is none holy like the LORD:
for there is none besides you;
there is no rock like our God.

³ Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.

⁴ The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble bind on strength.

⁵ Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry have ceased to hunger.

The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

⁶ The LORD kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

⁷ The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low and he exalts.

⁸ He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honour.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's,
and on them he has set the world.

⁹ "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness,
for not by might shall a man prevail.

¹⁰ The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces;
against them he will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king
and exalt the horn of his anointed.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 58 (SMACC 1 & 2)

To the choirmaster: according to Do Not Destroy. A Miktam of David.

¹ Do you indeed decree what is right, you gods?

Do you judge the children of man uprightly?

² **No, in your hearts you devise wrongs;**

your hands deal out violence on earth.

³ The wicked are estranged from the womb;

they go astray from birth, speaking lies.

⁴ **They have venom like the venom of a serpent,**

like the deaf adder that stops its ear,

⁵ so that it does not hear the voice of charmers

or of the cunning enchanter.

⁶ **O God, break the teeth in their mouths;**

tear out the fangs of the young lions, O LORD!

⁷ Let them vanish like water that runs away;

when he aims his arrows, let them be blunted.

⁸ **Let them be like the snail that dissolves into slime,**

like the stillborn child who never sees the sun.

⁹ Sooner than your pots can feel the heat of thorns,

whether green or ablaze, may he sweep them away!

**10 The righteous will rejoice when he sees the vengeance;
he will bathe his feet in the blood of the wicked.**

**11 Mankind will say, "Surely there is a reward for the
righteous;
surely there is a God who judges on earth."**

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 19:27-20:16

^{19:27} Then Peter said in reply, “See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?” ²⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹ And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

^{20:1} “For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said

to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?' ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Song: Your Hand Of Mercy

Although we had no claim
You held Your hand of mercy to us
What we receive
For all our work on earth
Is pain and death
Your love we do not deserve
We could not save ourselves
And yet You gave a gift of life
Through Jesus hanging
Bleeding on a cross

In selfishness and sin
We have been blinded
From Your truth
We hate we hurt we hide from You
Pretending we're in control
But please now open our eyes
Replace this heart of stone
Make us Your new creation
And let nothing keep us
From the love of God

We praise You God our Father
For the gift of Your dear Son
For Jesus Christ who shared our earth
And died that we might live
And now You've opened our eyes
Replaced this heart of stone
Made us Your new creation
And now nothing keeps us
From the love of God

Although we had no claim
You held Your hand of mercy to us...

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Sermon: I Don't Deserve God's Grace

Matthew 19:27-20:16

Notes:

Conclusion:

God is the one who saves by His grace according to His perfect will alone.

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

Song: Grace Awaiting Me

I will see the world to come
For one has suffered in my place
Now there is grace awaiting me, awaiting me
Judgement's done, atonement's made
The ransom's paid, no guilt remains
Now there is grace awaiting me, awaiting me!

Grace - a welcome from the Father
Grace - forgiveness full and free
Grace - that's greater than our failings
Oh there is grace awaiting me

I take comfort in the hope
of the thief upon the cross
For I am worthy of as little love as he
Like this man, I won't despair
for life's ahead, what joy we'll share
now there is grace awaiting me, awaiting me!

Jesus you have loved and bought me
By your death my debts are paid
I am yours, I stand beside you
Fearless face the coming day

I will see the world to come
Despite the sin that I have done
For there is grace awaiting me, awaiting me
All who call upon the Lord
will rise to life with peace assured
For there is grace awaiting me, awaiting me

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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.**

Q&A

Song: Grace Unmeasured

Grace unmeasured vast and free
That knew me from eternity
That called me out before my birth
To bring You glory on this earth
Grace amazing pure and deep
That saw me in my misery
That took my curse and owned my blame
So I could bear Your righteous name

Grace

Paid for my sins and brought me to life

Grace

Clothes me with pow'r to do what is right

Grace

Leads me to heav'n where I'll see Your face

And never cease to thank You for Your grace

Grace abounding strong and true
That makes me long to be like You
That turns me from my selfish pride
To love the cross on which You died
Grace unending all my days
You'll give me strength to run this race
And when my years on earth are through
The praise will all belong to You

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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 stmarys.my/connect.

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 3-digit 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.



SMACC

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: stmarys.my/give.

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 e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure “**MWF**” is listed as the payee.



MWF

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: stmarys.my/services.

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 kidschurch@stmaryscathedral.org.my 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 stmarys.my/serve 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. To register and for more information, please visit our website at stmarys.my/smaglow.

Christianity Explored

Christianity Explored is a course that helps you to explore who the God of the Bible is and what he says about life's meaning and purpose.

We invite you to join us for 8 Sundays, 2-4 pm, starting from 16 March 2025. Lunch is provided at 1.30 pm. The course will be held in room GF2 (Old Office) at St Mary's Cathedral.

Please visit stmarys.my/findoutmore for more details on how to register.

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: 1st Floor Chapel, St Mary's Cathedral KL

Date: Saturday, 22 March 2025

Time: 10am-3pm (Lunch provided)

Register: stmarys.my/belonging

Please register by Wednesday, 19 March 2025)

Being Anglican Course (Part 2 of the Adult Confirmation Programme)

The next round of part 2 of the Cathedral's Adult Confirmation Programme, 'Being Anglican', will run for 4 Saturdays (15 March, 22 March, 29 March, 5 April), 10.30am-12.30pm, in the Old Office Room (Ground Floor) at St Mary's Cathedral.

If you are 18 and above and are interested in being confirmed, then please let us know at stmarys.my/adultconfirmation. You should have

completed Just for Starters as part 1 of your confirmation preparation. If you have already done 'Just for Starters' (Part 1), let us know on the form and we will enrol you in the 'Being Anglican' course.

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.

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Leader</i>
Thursday <i>(Fortnightly)</i>	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 <i>(Fortnightly)</i>	2.00 pm	Jalan Gasing	Michael Wong
Sunday	2.00 pm	Cathedral	Darren Lee <i>(Young Adults Group)</i>

**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 stmarys.my/smallgroups.

Ash Wednesday Service

You are invited to join us for our Ash Wednesday service on 5 March 2025 at 7.30pm. This service at the Cathedral is with the imposition of ashes.

If you are unable to join us for this evening service, you are invited to join the Daily Office (stmarys.my/dailyoffice) at 7.30am on the same day.

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 stmarys.my/connect. We would love to have you join us in this ministry!

Workshop on Biblical Exposition: Preaching Job with Lindsay Wilson

Are you a preacher or someone looking to grow in your biblical understanding? The Workshop on Biblical Exposition by Centre for Expository Preaching is designed to grow each participant's confidence and competency in rightly handling God's Word.

Date: 21 & 22 March 2025

Time: 9am-4pm

Venue: St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, KL

Cost: RM230

Register [here](#).

Closing date: 7 March 2025

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 stmarys.my/building.

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 to or watch videos of these seminars, you can find them at stmarys.my/seminars.

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 stmarys.my/dailyoffice 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 stmarys.my/connect 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 stmarys.my/smallgroups 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 stmarys.my/youth.

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 stmarys.my/youthbaptismconfirmation 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 stmarys.my/subscribe.

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 stmarys.my/booking 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 stmarys.my/connect, 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 [YouTube channel](#).

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.



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