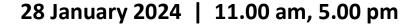
#### **SMACC Service**





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### Welcome & Prayer

### Song: In Jesus' Name We Trust

Lift your hearts and sing together
To our Lord Emmanuel
God has come to us forever
To our hearts to dwell
He has come in flesh to save us
Living Word Incarnate Son
Come to bring us to the Father
Come to make us one

So in Jesus' name we trust
As today we put our faith in Him
And we sing the praise of Him who died
To save us from our sins

You who were before the ages
Full of glory truth and grace
You alone have known the Father
And beheld His face
Yet in You we meet His fullness
Through the open heaven above
In Your cross we see His suffering
Know the Father's love

Give us ears to hear You clearly
Give us minds to understand
That You are the world's Messiah
Suffering Son of Man
Risen Lord come now and feed us
With the bread of Your true voice
Give us grace to seize Your Word
Believe You and rejoice

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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: There Is A Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath the flood
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day
And there have I, though vile as he
Washed all my sins away
Washed all my sins away
Washed all my sins away
And there may I though vile as he
Washed all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Are safe, to sin no more
Are safe, to sin no more
Are safe, to sin no more
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Are safe, to sin no more

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

When this poor lisping stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave
Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save

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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.

### **Old Testament Reading: 2 Kings 4:38-44**

<sup>38</sup> And Elisha came again to Gilgal when there was a famine in the land. And as the sons of the prophets were sitting before him, he said to his servant, "Set on the large pot, and boil stew for the sons of the prophets." <sup>39</sup> One of them went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine and gathered from it his lap full of wild gourds, and came and cut them up into the pot of stew, not knowing what they were. 40 And they poured out some for the men to eat. But while they were eating of the stew, they cried out, "O man of God, there is death in the pot!" And they could not eat it. 41 He said, "Then bring flour." And he threw it into the pot and said, "Pour some out for the men, that they may eat." And there was no harm in the pot.

<sup>42</sup> A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And Elisha said, "Give to the men, that they may eat." <sup>43</sup> But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred men?" So he repeated, "Give them to the men, that they may eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup> So he set it

before them. And they ate and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

- <sup>1</sup> Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!
- <sup>2</sup> Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble
- <sup>3</sup> and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup> Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the great waters;

- <sup>24</sup> they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.
- <sup>25</sup> For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.
- <sup>26</sup> They mounted up to heaven; they went down to the depths;

their courage melted away in their evil plight;

- <sup>27</sup> they reeled and staggered like drunken men and were at their wits' end.
- <sup>28</sup> Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

- <sup>29</sup> He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.
- <sup>30</sup> Then they were glad that the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.
- <sup>31</sup> Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!
- <sup>32</sup> Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

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 14:13-36**

13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. 14 When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. 15 Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." 16 But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." 18 And he said, "Bring them here to me." 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup> And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

<sup>34</sup> And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. <sup>35</sup> And when the men of that place recognized him, they sent around to all that region and brought to him all who were sick <sup>36</sup> and implored him that they might only touch the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## **Greeting Time**

### **Song: O Sacred King**

O sacred King O holy King

How can I honour You rightly

Honour that's fit for Your name

For it's the myst'ry of the universe
You're the God of holiness
Yet You welcome souls like me
And with the blessing of Your Father's heart
You discipline the ones You love
There's kindness in Your majesty
Jesus those who recognize Your pow'r
Know just how wonderful You are
That You draw near

O sacred Friend O holy Friend I don't take what You did lightly Friendship instead of disgrace

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**Sermon: Jesus Our Emmanuel** 

Matthew 14:13-36

#### 1. Jesus Heals the Sick (Matthew 14:13-14, 34-36)

[Principle 1] Jesus who is powerful has compassion for our weakness.

#### 2. Jesus Feeds the 5000 (Matthew 14:15-21)

[Principle 2] Jesus who sustains all creation mercifully provides for our needs.

#### 3. Jesus Walks on Water (Matthew 14:22-33)

[Principle 3] Jesus who commands the storm mightily delivers us.

[Main idea] Jesus is the compassionate Emmanuel who provides and delivers.

(If you have questions regarding the sermon, please submit at <a href="https://www.menti.com/al4fhrq5jj3c">www.menti.com/al4fhrq5jj3c</a> or use the code 4384 6285)

### Song: I Will Trust You In The Darkness

I will trust You in the darkness
I will serve You in my pain
I will worship in the wilderness
And will follow to the end
For You are the suffering shepherd
And You know Your sheep by name
So I will trust You in the darkness once again

O Lord Jesus Saviour Brother Friend Come release us Lord come back again

I'll believe Your word of comfort
When the light of life grows dim
I will heed Your voice at midnight
When the tempests rage within
I will cling to Christ my Saviour
Who has borne my sorrow's sting
And I will trust You in the darkness once again

I will praise Your name in winter
When the skies are cold and grey
I will feed upon Your promises
And will cry to You each day
I will lean upon Your Spirit
And Your word will I obey
Yes I will trust You in the darkness come what may

On Your faithfulness depend
As I long for Your appearing
And the day that never ends
I will glory in the gospel
And Your word of truth defend
Yes I will trust You in the darkness O my friend

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## **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

#### **Announcements**

## Song: My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)

When the enemy surrounds
And my heart grows faint within
When the darkness overwhelms
And my fears are pressing in
I will trust in You O Lord
In the silence I will wait
I will stand upon Your Word

You're my solid rock and my salvation
My steadfast hope that won't be shaken
My soul will wait my soul will wait for You

You're my stronghold and my shield
In the midst of every threat
Though the wicked never yield
They will vanish like a breath
Yes I know the outcome's sure
Satan's evil plans will fail
In Your power I'm secure

You're my solid rock and my salvation
My steadfast hope that won't be shaken
My soul will wait my soul will wait for You
You're my comfort when I feel forsaken
My refuge and my sure foundation
My soul will wait my soul will wait for You

This is love I can't explain
This is mercy unreserved
Through Your sacrifice so great
I have peace that's undeserved
For the battle has been won
And I fear no shame or loss
Now the sting of death is gone

Pouring out our hearts before You We will trust in You Perfect Saviour strong Defender We will trust in 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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/connect">stmarys.my/connect</a>.

### **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 Online Service

or the service you normally

attend.

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 e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure "St Mary's Cathedral" is listed as the payee.



St Mary's Cathedral Main Hall

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.

#### **Onsite and Online Services**

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

- Liturgical Services 7am, 9am, 11am
- Contemporary (SMACC) Services 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: <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/services">stmarys.my/services</a>.

## **Carparking**

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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/booking">stmarys.my/booking</a> 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.

### **Community Meal**

Next Community Meal: 18 February 2024

#### Kids' Church

The Kids' Church classes run on Sunday mornings. The different age groups meet at their respective classrooms on the ground floor of the Cathedral. Parents may pick up their children after the 11am church services ends.

Please email <a href="mailto:kidschurch@stmaryscathedral.org.my">kidschurch@stmaryscathedral.org.my</a> or speak to our Kids' Church teachers for further information.

#### **Cathedral Office Contact Number**

Kindly note that the Cathedral Office landline is not functioning at the moment. If you need to call the office, please do so on 011 5760 3484 for now. We will let you know when we get a new landline.

#### The Reason For God

Please join us for 4 discussion sessions as we look at some of the biggest objections to Christianity through Tim Keller's 'Reason for God'.

Day: 4 Sundays in January 2024

Time: 2-4pm

Venue: GF2 (Old Office), St Mary's Cathedral

Free of charge.

Please register at <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/reasonforgod">stmarys.my/reasonforgod</a>

7 January Isn't the Bible a myth?

14 January How can you say there is only one way to

God?

21 January What gives you the right to tell me how to

live my life?

28 January Why does God allow suffering?

### **Tuesday Night Training**

Tuesday Night Training (TNT) is a good and systematic way for all of us to keep studying God's Word and to be trained for ministry. The first term for 2024 begins on 30 January.

Theological courses on offer are Bible Overview, Ephesians, Doctrine 2 and Apologetics. There is also a Ministry Skills course entitled 'Cross Cultural Conversations'.

If you are new to TNT, we encourage you to consider taking our Bible Overview course. This is a great way to learn how the whole Bible fits together and points to Jesus.

Find out more about the courses and register here: <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/tnt">stmarys.my/tnt</a>

## **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 that is expressed in our local church.

Date: Saturday, 17 February 2024

Time: 10am – 3pm (Lunch provided)

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

Register: stmarys.my/belonging

(please register by Wednesday, 14 February 2024)

## **Cathedral Women's Bible Study**

Is spending more time in God's Word one of your goals for 2024? Our ladies' bible study groups can help you do just that and they are up and running. Come and join with other women from across the Cathedral community to dig deeper into our preaching passages each week. We meet in-person on Thursdays, 10am-12pm in the MPH, and have online groups for those who can't travel in. For more information, please contact Judi Cheah (012 375 7694).

#### **Volunteers Needed**

We are seeking for secondary and tertiary students on holiday/semester break to help scan and digitalize files. Goodie bags will be offered. The volunteering times are between Tuesdays-Fridays (10am–5pm).

Please contact your congregational pastor or Rev Andy Ng for more details.

### **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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/building">stmarys.my/building</a>.

#### **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.

#### **Golden Circle: Chair and Floor Exercises**

The Golden Circle conducts a fitness programme for seniors at the Cathedral. Movements consist of chair and floor exercises to strengthen and tone muscles, improve balance, improve lung function, and improve circulation and cardiac function.

Day: Fridays

Time: 9.30-10.30am

Venue: MPH

#### **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 contact Janet Chan (017 213 3418) for the type, colour and cost of flowers. Payment for the flowers can be made to Jessica Hoh at the Book Corner.

#### **Lost And Found**

If you left something in the Cathedral, you can look for it at the 'Lost and Found' section in the Book Corner. Items will be kept for a month for people to claim before they are disposed of.

# St Mary's Agape Mission School

St Mary's Agape Mission School is now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year of operation and currently has over 100 students. As such, the school is always on the lookout for volunteers who might be keen to teach the children. If you have a heart for seeing vulnerable children receive an education and would like to find out more about what is involved, please

contact Mei Tan on 012 387 3408. (Retired teachers are preferred.)

The school is located near Ampang, and the time for volunteering is 9am-12pm and/or 1-3pm from Mondays to Thursdays.

## 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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/dailyoffice">stmarys.my/dailyoffice</a> 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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/connect">stmarys.my/connect</a> or call the Cathedral Office on 011 5760 3484.

If there is a pastoral emergency, you can reach the pastoral team on our Emergency Pastoral Care Hotline: 011 5762 8524.

### **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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/smallgroups">stmarys.my/smallgroups</a> 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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/youth">stmarys.my/youth</a>.

### **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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/subscribe">stmarys.my/subscribe</a>.

## **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 <a href="mailto:stmarys.my/connect">stmarys.my/connect</a>, 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

either click the links here or follow the QR code by the entrances for each hall. 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 Online:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/GdKJ70hOT4p7UTZUD2RxpP

Liturgical 7am:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/FzoyrkZOMcBFUuA5EGygFT

Liturgical 9am:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/BCd6szYiXlk7iyu1VT8s8N

Liturgical 11am:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/KK2bI0HRZsdCmRWXOiPdfK

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https://chat.whatsapp.com/GqLRkLZgvIF4e5Ht4GktnF

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https://chat.whatsapp.com/EXCHpSflvDv8NRGgxqgPhE