

BETHANY

INDEPENDENT-
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

God's Kind of Church...

Where God is touching lives...

And people care for people.

Bethany IV ... 8 March 2026

MEDITATION

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Text: Ephesians 4

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AND GAVE GIFTS TO MEN

GIFTS FROM GOD

Many are the gifts from God! Our challenge is to discover and develop our gifts and use them for His glory!

⁷ But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

⁸ Therefore He says:
"When He ascended on high,

MEDITATION

He led captivity captive,
And gave gifts to men."

⁹(Now this, "He ascended"—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?

¹⁰He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

Ephesians 4:7-10

1. The Gift of Grace

- a) The underlying great gift is "grace"
- b) Grace reminds us of God's mercy and love

2. The Measure of Christ's Gift

- a) How God plans His gift is His choice
- b) All gifts come about through the Lord Jesus Christ

3. The Lord's Victory

- a) He defeated sin and Satan
- b) As a Conqueror He can give as He so wishes

OUR CHALLENGE

1. To discover our Gifts
2. To develop them
3. To deploy them for God's glory

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO BETHANY

We are glad that you have chosen to worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us today. May your heart be uplifted through worship and fellowship!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER AT SHANGRI-LA 2026

Easter is one of the most significant events in our Church calendar. Let us take this opportunity to renew our faith in our Risen Saviour!

Details:

Date: 5 April 2026 (Sunday)

Time: 10.30am

Venue: Shangri-La Hotel Easter Worship Service will commence at 10.30am, followed by Lunch.

We warmly invite you to sign up for the Easter Lunch by scanning the QR code:



If you've any inquiries, please approach us at the booth in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays and we will assist you.



THIS WEEK IN BETHANY

1. Seniors Program
 - a) Tuesday, 10 March 2026 | 9.30am- 11.30am
 - b) Thursday, 12 March 2026 | 9.30am- 11.30am

2. Saturday, 14 March 2026
 - a) No YPG/ YAG
 - b) No Youth Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. Sunday Ministry, 15 March 2026

- a) Sunday School | 8.30am
- b) Combined Worship Service | 10.30am
- c) Children's Worship I and II | 10.30am
- d) Crèche I and II | 10.30am
- e) No Catechism Class



GIVING OF FELLOWSHIP MEALS

Breakfast: Nathan Chong

Lunch: Pastor Mitch & Stephanie; Andrew & Hwei Li Wong



WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Psalm 22:27-28

²⁷ All the ends of the world
Shall remember and turn to the LORD,
And all the families of the nations
Shall worship before You.

²⁸ For the kingdom *is* the LORD's,
And He rules over the nations.

- 1. A prophetic perspective
 - a) Where the ends of the world would turn to God
 - b) That all nations would offer worship to the Lord

- 2. A powerful faith statement
 - a) That the Kingdom belongs to God
 - b) That He rules over all nations!

BIBLE MEMORY WORK

TODAY: 8 March 2026

Text: “That you may walk worthy of the Lord”

Colossians 1:10

*That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him,
being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.*

Colossians 1:10

1. A great challenge

To walk worthy of the Lord

2. Some specific goals

- a) Fully pleasing God
- b) Being fruitful in all we do
- c) Increasing in our knowledge of God

NEXT SUNDAY: 15 March 2026

Text: “Strengthened with all might”

Colossians 1:11

*Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power,
for all patience and longsuffering with joy.*

Colossians 1:11

POETRY CORNER

1

AND GAVE GIFTS TO MEN

The Lord Jesus came to be our Saviour;
There are many blessings to savour.
The Lord overcame Sin and Satan;
This is a truth that we need to learn.

In a great battle on the cross of Calvary;
The Lord Jesus won a great victory.
He was able to overcome Death as well;
We need never fear the torment of Hell.

He also gave gifts to His followers;
He imparts blessings to all believers.
The Lord determines the Gifts to be given;
Every Gift is to be carefully discerned.

The Gifts are to be developed accordingly;
They are meant to redound to God's glory.
Our challenge is to use our Gifts as God planned;
May we ever desire to be used by God's hand!

Charles Tan
Inspiration: Ephesians 4:7-10

POETRY CORNER

2

OUR FAITH

God had called Israel His servant and chosen;
He promised that His people would never be abandoned.
The Lord would protect from billowing rivers and raging fires;
He would be there whenever situations became dire.

God's promises bring comfort in times of affliction;
They bring about hope whilst awaiting deliverance.
But our faith needs to be firm and shown to have grown;
To enable us to claim the Lord's promises as our own.

Every Christian begins by having a foundational faith;
God Himself imparts to us faith by virtue of His grace.
We ought to cultivate it so it can be impactful in our lives and others';
May our faith be clear and inspiring to all who behold our demeanors.

May each one grow his personal faith to become steadfast and fervent;
May the church exhibit a firm collective faith as a congregation.
May many more be moved to receive the gospel when they look at Bethany;
As we labour our part to bring more souls into God's family.

Dr. Sng Li Wah

Inspiration: Isaiah 41:8-10; 43:1-2; Psalm 119:49-56; Romans 1:8;
Colossians 1:4

POETRY CORNER

3

REMEMBER

May we abound with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit
The Lord makes a road for us in this world of chaos
To His children He remembers His covenant
We must therefore remember to obey His Word as believers

Obedience leads to a life of freedom from sins
We will be able to find peace and comfort in afflictions
Drawing strength as we remember God's past deliverance on promises
Let us sing songs of praise in the night times of darkness

In our spiritual walk keep the eye firmly fixed on the Rock
We are prone to be distracted and wander like sheep
Great is His faithfulness for mercies which never stop
Make God's Law our own shaping lives and upkeep

His Word sustains us in our trials and tribulations
Let not fear permeate when caught helpless in dire straits
May His Word saturate our minds hearts and thoughts
Seeping into the soul giving rise to a transformed self in holiness

Jessie Quek

Inspiration: Psalm 119:49-56; Isaiah 43:19

ORDER OF WORSHIP



PRELUDE

Musicians

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Ainslie Charles

Mrs. Goh Yuanli

PRAYER

HYMNS

HWC 16 | We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer

HWC 46 | God Leads Us Along

MESSAGE

“Because of the hope laid up for you in heaven”

Text: Colossians 1

Rev. Dr. Charles Tan

CLOSING HYMN

CP 322 | The Solid Rock

BENEDICTION

OFFERING

POSTLUDE



HYMNS

HWC 16 WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD, OUR REDEEMER JULIA CADY CORY

1. We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator
 In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;
We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee,
 We bless Thy holy Name, glad praises we sing.

2. We worship Thee, God of our fathers, We bless Thee;
 Through life's storm and tempest
 Our Guide hast Thou been;
When perils o'er take us, escape Thou wilt make us,
 And with Thy help, O Lord, our battles we win.

3. With voices united our praises we offer
 To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise;
Thy strong arm will guide us, Our God is beside us,
 To Thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!



HYMNS

HWC 46 GOD LEADS US ALONG G. A. YOUNG

1. In shady, green pastures, so rich and so sweet,
God leads His dear children along.
Where the water's cool flow bathes the weary one's feet,
God leads His dear children along.

Refrain

Some through the waters, some through the flood,
Some through the fire, but all through the blood;
Some through great sorrow, but God gives a song,
In the night season and all the day long.

2. Sometimes on the mount where the sun shines so bright,
God leads His dear children along.
Sometimes in the valley, in darkest of night,
God leads His dear children along.

Refrain

3. Though sorrows befall us and Satan oppose,
God leads His dear children along.
Through grace we can conquer, defeat all our foes,
God leads His dear children along.

Refrain



HYMNS

CP 322 THE SOLID ROCK EDWARD MOTE

1. My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

Refrain



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