

# St Paul's



# Church

5 January 2020

*Therefore, we are  
ambassadors for  
Christ, God making  
his appeal through us.  
We implore you on  
behalf of Christ, be  
reconciled to God.*

2 Corinthians 5:20

# Welcome

## Epiphany One

### Collect

Almighty God, who anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son: inspire us, your children, who are born of water and the Spirit, to surrender our lives to your service, that we may rejoice to be called the sons of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Scripture Readings

**First Reading:** 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

**Gospel Reading:** John 15:12-17

### Today's Sermon

"The Call to be an Ambassador for Christ"  
by Rev Jeremy Ponniah

### New to St Paul's Church?

We hope you will feel at home and be refreshed and renewed by the worship and teaching. If you have any questions or prayer needs, please let us know by filling out the Visitor's Card in the Welcome Pack and dropping it off with our ushers at the back. Come join us at the Parish Hall at the Newcomer's Corner after the service. We're looking forward to connecting with you!

### Thank you for your donations

Breakfast by Pauline Chin  
Flowers by Serene Seah

# Read the Bible through 2020 with Handy Helps



**A**t the turn of the year, believers everywhere make the resolution to read and study the Word of God.

To help you in your journey, we've put together a list of:

Free resources for Scripture reading!

## **Bible Apps**

**1. YouVersion The Bible App:** If you don't already have a Bible app installed on your phone, this one comes with Bible reading plans of different durations, covering the range of topics and seasons (like Lent or Christmas, or even the new year). It also has a verse-of-the-day prompt, featuring a selected verse every day of the year.

**2. Bible In One Year:** Start your day with the Bible in One Year, a free Bible reading app with commentary by Nicky and Pippa Gumbel. Nicky Gumbel is the Vicar of HTB in London and pioneer of Alpha.

**3. Daily Prayer by the Church of England:** Find complete services for

Morning, Evening and Night Prayer in both contemporary (Common Worship) and traditional (Book of Common Prayer) with this official Daily Prayer app.

## **Bible Reading Plans**

**1. The Discipleship Journal Reading Plan from the Navigators:** It's been tried, tested and loved by generations of Christians with daily readings from both the Old and New Testament scheduled over five days. Simply tick the boxes as you go along! This reading plan can be found in [www.navigators.org](http://www.navigators.org).

**2. 52 Week Bible Reading Plan:** Read through the Bible in a year with each day of the week dedicated to a different genre: epistles, the law, history, Psalms, poetry, prophecy and Gospels. This reading plan can be found in [www.ligonier.org/blog/bible-reading-plans/](http://www.ligonier.org/blog/bible-reading-plans/)

*“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable  
for teaching, for reproof, for correction,  
and for training in righteousness,  
that the man of God may be complete,  
equipped for every good work.”*

**2 Timothy 3:16-17**

*“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth,  
but you shall meditate on it day and night,  
so that you may be careful to do  
according to all that is written in it.  
For then you will make your way prosperous,  
and then you will have good success.”*

**Joshua 1:8**

These instructions were important enough for the Lord to give Joshua at the start of a new chapter in Israel's history. We would do well to heed the same exhortation as we begin a new year.

# Church Camp

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SAVE THE DATE!

11-14 June

Venue: TROVE, JB

Camp Speaker: Ms Jenni Huan

Children's Programme included

Registration opens next week!





# *Sermon Notes*

# questions

For individual reflection, family devotion or  
cell group discussion

1. What are some similarities and differences between an ambassador representing his/her country and an ambassador for Christ?
2. An ambassador for Christ is given the ministry and message of reconciliation by God (2 Cor 5:18-19). How has God brought about reconciliation and evaluate how well you are doing in the ministry of reconciliation?
3. What are the key qualities that an effective ambassador for Christ should have? What steps will you take to grow in these qualities?

## **Next Sunday's Sermon**

An Ambassador for Christ: Bearer of God's Light

By Rev Ezra Sivakumar

2 Corinthians 4:1-6, Matthew 5:13-16

# SUNDAY SERVICES

## ENGLISH

9.00am  
Main Sanctuary

Holy Communion  
(Weekly except 5th  
Sundays)

## MANDARIN

9.00am  
Second Sanctuary

Holy Communion  
(1st & 3rd Sundays)

## MANDARIN/ ENGLISH

11.15am  
Second Sanctuary

Holy Communion  
(1st & 3rd Sundays)

## TAMIL

11.30am  
Main Sanctuary

Holy Communion  
(1st & 3rd Sundays)

# CHILDREN MINISTRY

## ENGLISH

Toddlers  
3 & 4 years old

9.00am  
Mount Zion Room

## ENGLISH

K1 & K2  
5 & 6 years old

9.00am  
Mount Olivet Room

## ENGLISH

P1 & P2  
7 & 8 years old

9.00am  
Church Office

## ENGLISH

P3 - P6  
9-12 years old

9.00am  
Church Office

## MANDARIN

3-12 years old  
9.30am & 12.00pm  
Check with respec-  
tive ushers on  
venue

## TAMIL

3-12 years old  
12.00pm  
New Life Room

# YOUTH MINISTRY

## ENGLISH

English  
13-25 years old  
Saturdays, weekly  
3-5pm  
Youth Hub

## MANDARIN

13-25 years old  
Check with respec-  
tive congregation  
on time & venue

## TAMIL

13-25 years old  
Check with respec-  
tive congregation  
on time & venue

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