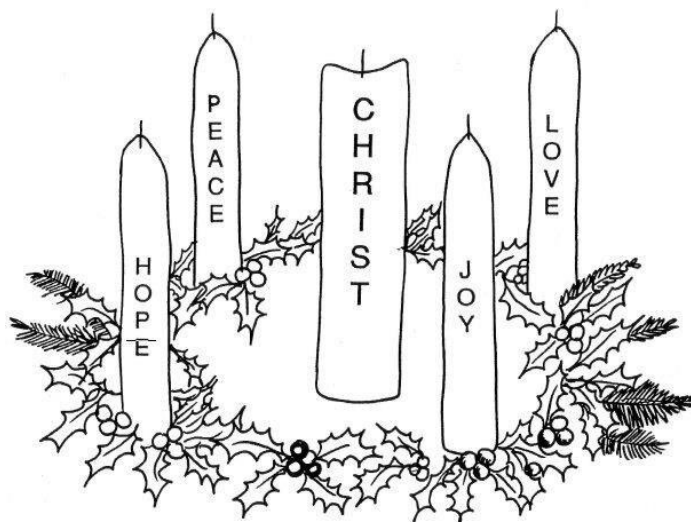


## Announcements:

- Welcome & thank you for joining our Third Sunday of Advent Worship Service. Please join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall after the service.
- There will be a Christmas Concert on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. Refreshment will follow after the concert. Please save the date and join us!
- On December 25<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Christmas with infant baptism and membership transfer during our Worship Service at 10:00 AM instead of 10:45 AM.
- We will celebrate FEC's 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023 (Sunday), with a Joint (Chinese & English) Worship Service at 10:00AM. There will be ordination and installation of our newly elected Elder and Deacons during the worship service.
- Join FEC UP's year end party for University and post secondary individuals on Friday, Dec 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. For details and to sign up, be sure to reach out to [upfellowship.fec@gmail.com](mailto:upfellowship.fec@gmail.com) ! Contact us for additional ways to stay in the loop.
- For the Donation Receipt purpose, we need to update your address. If you moved in 2022, please call our church office or email [feccount@gmail.com](mailto:feccount@gmail.com). to provide us with your current mailing address as soon as possible.
- FEC's 2023 Calendars is now available in the Fellowship Hall. We only have limited copies this year. It will be on a first come first serve basis, one copy per family.
- Badminton will be on break from December 18<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. We will resume on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## Prayer Items:

- ❖ Pray that we, will come empty and poor in spirit to Jesus this Advent Season
- ❖ Pray for the speedy repair of our heating system in the Sanctuary
- ❖ Pray for the preparation of the Christmas Concert
- ❖ Pray for those with physical and spiritual needs; may they experience the Lord's presence.



Welcome



LOVE EACH OTHER AS I LOVED YOU.  
JOHN 15:12

ENGLISH MINISTRY

Week of: December 12 – 18, 2022	
12(Mon)	
13(Tues)	
14(Wed)	Prayer Meeting @ 8PM
15(Thurs)	
16(Fri)	Kairos(Grades 7-12)@ 8:00 -10:00PM Handbell Choir @ 6:30 – 8:00PM Cherubim Choir 8:00PM
17(Sat)	Children's Choir 4PM-5:30PM
18(Sun)	Sunday Worship Service@ 10:45 AM CYA Life Group Sunday School @ 9AM Children/Youth Sunday School @ 10:45AM Adult Sunday School @ 12:30PM

To Join a Small Group: Please contact  
Rebecca Lim( [beclim@yahoo.com](mailto:beclim@yahoo.com))

Attendance Last Sunday 上主日出席		
Mandarin 9:00AM Service	國語 09:00 崇拜	40 人
Minnan 10:45AM Service	閩語 10:45 崇拜	35 人
English 10:45AM Service	英語 10:45 崇拜	142 人
Children/youth Sunday School 10:45AM	兒童/青少年 主日學 10:45	41 人

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**Sunday Worship Service**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**The Celebration**

**Prelude** (Jhan)

Mary Did You Know

**Praise and Worship** (Allen, Daphne, Jhan, Rhyence)

Hark the Herald/King of Heaven

O Come All Ye Faithful

Christmas Offering

**Congregational Prayer** (Jhan Limhanchiong)

**Advent Candle Lighting** (Dominic, Debie,  
Daniel, Dawn Sy)

[Students Gr. 1 – 12 are dismissed for Sunday school classes]

**The Calling**

**Scripture Reading** (Daphne)

Luke 1: 5-20, 26-38

**Message** (Pastor Sandy Hung)

"Good News for the Stumbling Believer"

**The Commitment**

**Response Song** (Allen, Daphne, Jhan, Rhyence)

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

**Tithes and Offering**

We Give Thee but Thine Own

**Welcome & Announcements** (Pastor Sandy Hung)

**Doxology & Benediction** (Pastor Sandy Hung)

**Three-Fold Amen**

**Praise & Worship Team / Musicians:** Allen, Daphne, Jhan, Rhyence

**Audio-visual /Technical Team:** Dan, Rita, Robert

**Ushers for the month:** Regan & Cathy

Scripture Verses & Notes

December 11<sup>th</sup> 2022

**"Good News for the Stumbling Believer"**

Luke 1: 5-20, 26-38

<sup>5</sup>In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron. <sup>6</sup>Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. <sup>7</sup>But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old. <sup>8</sup>Once when Zechariah's division was on duty and he was serving as priest before God, <sup>9</sup>he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to go into the temple of the Lord and burn incense. <sup>10</sup>And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshipers were praying outside. <sup>11</sup>Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. <sup>12</sup>When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. <sup>13</sup>But the angel said to him: "Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. <sup>14</sup>He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, <sup>15</sup>for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. <sup>16</sup>He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. <sup>17</sup>And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." <sup>18</sup>Zechariah asked the angel, "How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years." <sup>19</sup>The angel said to him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news. <sup>20</sup>And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their appointed time."

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." <sup>29</sup>Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, <sup>33</sup>and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end." <sup>34</sup>"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" <sup>35</sup>The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. <sup>36</sup>Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. <sup>37</sup>For no word from God will ever fail." <sup>38</sup>"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

What the Bible says:

**GOD LOVES YOU** and offer a wonderful plan for your life " For God so love the world that He gave His only Son, that **whosoever believes in Him** shall not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16); (Jesus said) " I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly" (John 10:10)

**SIN HAS SEPARATED US** from God! "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of GOD" (Romans 3:23); "For the wages of sin is death"(Romans 6:23)

**JESUS CHRIST is GOD'S *Only* PROVISION FOR MAN'S SIN; HE DIED IN YOUR PLACE.** "But God demonstrates His own love towards us, in that while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us**" (Romans 5:8); **HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD.** "Christ died for our sins...He was buried...He was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures...He appeared to Peter, then to the TWELVE. After that He appeared to more than five hundred..." (1 Corinthians 15:3-6);

**.JESUS is the ONLY WAY to GOD!**

"Jesus said to him, ' I am the way the truth and the life; **no one** comes to the father, but through **Me**'"(John 14:6)

**WE MUST INDIVIDUALLY RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR AND LORD;** then we can know and experience GOD's love and plan for our lives. **WE MUST RECEIVE CHRIST** "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name" (John1:12) **WE RECEIVE CHRIST THROUGH FAITH** "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast" (Ephesians 2:8,9) **WE RECEIVE CHRIST BY PERSONAL INVITATION** (Jesus said) "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him" ( Revelation 3:20);

**YOU CAN RECEIVE CHRIST RIGHT NOW BY FAITH THROUGH PRAYER.**

The following is a suggested prayer: Lord Jesus, I need you. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Thank you for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life and make me the kind of person You want me to be" Amen

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