

## This Is Our Father in Heaven

#### Read: Luke 15:20-24

Notice in verse 7 and in verse 10 that the point is that there is great rejoicing in heaven when one person returns to God in repentance. This is the Father that we have. Our God looks at us with love and compassion. I want us to see that the love of God is inexplicable and incomprehensible. We are the lost son in the story today. We have taken the good that God has done toward us and used them on selfish and evil things. We are the ones who have told God that we want his stuff and not him.

Then I want us to see that in spite of all that we have done against our Father in heaven, he is still looking down the road wanting us to return. God is our Father who welcomes us back. He seeks us.

He runs to us. God rejoices over you when you come back to him. Our Father made that road of return possible through the sacrifice and the resurrection of Jesus. This is how we can be made alive to a new life and a new hope.

It does not matter how terrible you have lived your life, God looks at you with compassion and wants you to return to him. He wants you to see that life with him is far better than life without him. God wants us in this moment to see that life is far more than money, health, and possessions. God wants us to stop looking at all the good he gives and see him who gave us all the good we have enjoyed. We must stop making demands of the father and taking his blessings. Instead, we need to come to him not for his blessings, but for him.

So, I want you to see his amazing love as Jesus tells a story about a lost son that a father desperately and amazingly loves. Let God's amazing love lead you through this time of darkness and give you hope for what God has in store for you.





#### Pray for the World

Father, we pray for the release of the remaining hostages taken by Hamas, the continued cessation of violence in Gaza along with the continued flow of foodstuff and aid, and an agreement establishing peace between the Palestinians and Israelis. The achievement of these is humanly impossible, so we plead for Your divine intervention, that no more innocents be hurt or led into more violence. We pray for all who are held hostage, and their loved ones, to find peace and comfort, and be swiftly reunited.

#### Pray for Singapore

Father, we pray for Your Church in our land to be wise and discerning, united and courageous, in the face of the encroachment of worldliness upon our nation. We pray for our young ones to deepen in their personal relationship with You, firmly rooted in our historic faith, even as they search for their own expressions of faith in this 21st century. We pray for the Gospel to faithfully and mightily declared, and for another mighty harvest of souls to be reaped into Your kingdom from all resident in our nation.

#### **Pray for SACC**

Father, help each and every member of our Parish grow in our knowledge and love of You, and deepen in our understanding and application of Your Word in our daily life.

We bring before You this week:

Our thanksgiving for the new additions to our staff team -- Edith, Justin and Mirabel
 -- praying that they be daily guided and empowered by You, Holy Spirit, in their service.
 Our loved ones and friends who do not know or have not made a decision to accept
 You into their lives, that their hearts be especially warmed and drawn to You so as to turn to and accept You as their Lord and Saviour.

3. Our Sunday preachers, to be anointed of Your Spirit, granted deeper insight into Your Word, and inspired with Your Words to proclaim.

4. Our cell and ministry leaders, to be ever sensitive to Your still small voice speaking to them, and compassion toward all You send across their path.





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Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to us those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things that are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



#### **Recruiting PA Crew**

We are thankful for our current team who have faithfully ensured good sound in our services. Greater support is needed in this area, so we ask members to step up and offer your services in this area. Training will be provided.

#### **New Additions to Staff Team**

We are glad to welcome the following onto our staff team, praying our Lord grant them a fresh outpouring of His Spirit to anoint their service unto Him in our Parish:

Ms Edith Ye = Chaplaincy Team

Mr Justin Cheang = Admin Team (Part-Time)

Mrs Mirabel Goh = Pastoral Team



#### **Resilience In Life Transition**



**Christian Education** 



### Resilience In Life Transition Ms Ruby Lee Marital Therapist & Counsellor

Helping one another establish and grow in wholistic resilience in the time of life transition, crisis and changes in world order. The 2-part workshop will equip you with skills to cope with "growing up and growing old" and "valley moments" of grief and losses.

Saturday, 22 & 29 March 2025 9 am – 11.00 am Seminar Rooms 1 & 2 St. Andrew's Community Chapel



Register at https://tinyurl.com/resiliencetraining2025



Please click on this link for the events at TFS: https://thefriendspace.sg/events/



Much March Fun 15 - 21 Mar 2025 (Sat, Mon-Fri) 2pm - 5pm

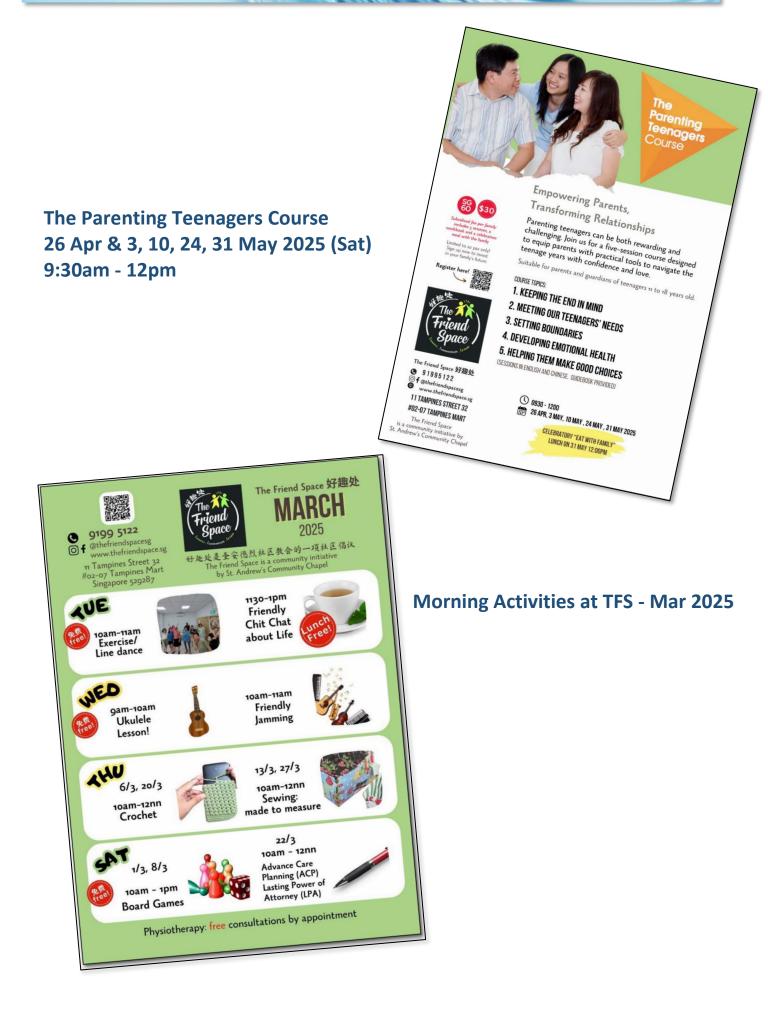
Friendly Chit Chat About Life 18 & 25 Mar 2025 (Tue) 11:30am – 1pm





Lasting Power of Attorney & Advanced Care Plan 22 Mar 2025 (Sat) 10am – 12pm











**Sunday Service** 



Prodigal Love

Luke 15: 20-24

**Preacher: Rev Daniel Tong** 

16 March 2025 @ 9 am & 11 am St Andrew's Community Chapel



**Clay Youth Ministry** 

# Equipping Youth Series PEER PRESSURE

Preacher: Mr Raymond Choo

Sunday, 16 March 2025 @ 9am St Andrew's Community Chapel



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# OTHERS

# **STAY CONNECTED WITH SACC**

#### Join a Cell Group

All members are encouraged to join a cell group to learn God's Word, fellowship and pray together as a community. If you are interested, please let us know by completing this google form <a href="https://forms.gle/xNKmMKq8Gvsux5gM7">https://forms.gle/xNKmMKq8Gvsux5gM7</a>



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# **USHER ROSTER**

#### Ushering Roster for 2025 (from 5 Jan)

Week	9am Service - FDH	11am Service - Chapel	
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday (Holy Communion for 1 <sup>st</sup> Service + Prayer over children)	CLAYERS + John 13:34	Company of Christ	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Beacon	Grace@228	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	1 John 4:19	5 Loaves & 2 Fish	
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Oasis	Koinonia	
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday (Est 4 times per year)	1 Kings 8:57	Fuel+	

#### **Special Service Roster for 2025**

- Good Friday (18 Apr): Koinonia
- Christmas Service (25 Dec, Thu): Oasis

## **UPCOMING SERMONS**

#### 2025 Theme: Resilience Anchored in Christ (Ephesians 6:10)

Date	Sermon Topic		Preacher
23 Mar	Eyes Fixed on Christ	Hebrews 12: 1-3	Mrs Ruth Sim
30 Mar	Open Topic		Rev Nicholas Choo





## SERMON NOTES

Speaker:Rev Daniel TongTopic:Prodigal LoveText:Luke 15: 20-24

#### **Introduction**

The Prodigal

1. The Prodigal Choice

2. Right versus Right

3. Walking Away

**Conclusion** 

For reflection:

- 1. Have you ever rebelled against something which was asked or expected of you? Against God? What was the experience like?
- 2. We all make mistakes and sin. What has been your experience with God when you fail in this way?
- 3. What are your thoughts on those who walk away from God and godly guidance?



Our Vision is to be a House of Healing to the Nations, Reflecting the Glory of God, Full of Grace and Truth.



# TITHES AND OFFERTORY

Members are encouraged to remember our Lord and His house, and continue to tithe. You may do so remotely by scanning the following QR Codes:



DBS 029-900919-2

DBS106-900039-4

DBS 106-900038-6

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Remember to indicate your tithe number & purpose of transfer.

## **Transferring of Tithe/Offering via DBS/POSB banking platform**

#### 1) digibank Mobile

- Log in to digibank Mobile with your **Touch / Face ID** or **digibank User ID & PIN**.
- Tap Pay & Transfer and select Local.
- Select the **Recipient** you wish to transfer to: (For Recipient's list refer to Add a Recipient)
  - SACC English Congregation 029-900919-2
  - SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
  - o SACC Growth Fund 106-900038-6
- Select the **Fund Source** you wish to transfer from (e.g. saving account) and enter the **Amount** you wish to transfer
- Enter your tithe number in 'Reference'
- Tap **Next** to review the details, and tap **Transfer Now** to complete the transfer.

#### 2) Via Paynow

- Select 'PAYNOW' in your banking app
- Bank will send you a 6 digits OTP
- Key in the UEN T08CC4074CEC1 / T08CC4074CCMF / T08CC4074CGF2
- Key in the amount to be transferred.
- Key in your **Tithe number** in the 'Reference' space
- Click 'Transfer'
- Bank will send a text message to you that the amount has been transferred.
- You can send this message to church office.



#### 3) DBS/POSB ATM

- Insert your ATM/Debit Card and key in your PIN.
- Press Button for **More Services**.
- Press Button for "Funds Transfer/Fixed Deposit".
- Select the Account Type to Debit (your own bank account)
- Select the saving account type and number to Credit
  - SACC (English) 029-900919-2
  - o SACC Cambodia Mission Fund 106-900039-4
  - SACC Growth Fund 106-900038-6
- Enter the amount.
- Verify the **Details of the Transaction** and press **Confirm**.
- Key in your **tithe number** under reference/bill or send a text to the church office of the transaction: Date of transfer; tithe & amount

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#### 4) digibank Online

- Open ibanking portal, login with your User ID and PIN.
- Select Transfer and click Other DBS or POSB Account.
- Log in with your **6-Digit iB Secure PIN**.
- Choose the **Recipient** you wish to transfer your money to.
- Select the **Account** you wish to transfer from.
- Select the Currency and indicate the Amount you wish to transfer.
- Click Next.
- To transfer to a particular payee, you will need to have him/her in your recipient's list.

#### Adding a recipient to your list.

- Open the ibanking portal, login with your **User ID** and **PIN**.
- Select Transfer and click Add New DBS or POSB Recipient and complete the Authentication Process.
- Indicate the Recipient's name and Account number, click Next.
- Verify the **Details of the Transaction** and follow the **2-Factor Authentication Instructions**.
- Click **Submit** to complete the request.

Digibank Online allows you to set a monthly transfer on desired date. Follow the instruction in the '**More Services**' button.

## **Transfer from Other banks.**

Please check with your bank's website portal.