

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

COLLECT FOR 7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Article: The Oppressed of the World

Read: Exodus 22:21-24

Due to the fallen nature of this world, there are some groups of people who seem to be taken advantage of more than others. These groups comprise of, but not limited to, the foreigner; the widow and the fatherless; and the debtor. Why does life treat these people so cruelly?

Plight of the Foreigner: When someone new, who comes from a culture different from yours, comes into your social sphere, what is your first response? It is human nature to be suspicious of things or people that are different from you. Some people may even view the foreigner as a threat to who they are. Now these fears have no foundation in facts, nevertheless, it is this irrational fear which causes people to despise the foreigner.

The Plight of the Widow: The plight of the widow is challenging indeed. With the loss of her husband, the widow has no security and is heart-broken over the loss of her life mate. Such a woman is vulnerable to evil people who would try to take advantage of her grief in order to advance their greedy gains.

The Condition of the Fatherless: Without a Father telling her that she is precious and needs to be cherished, a daughter may seek relationships that are shallow in an attempt to fill that role which the Father didn't fulfill. For the son, without a godly male role model to guide him into manhood, he is easily influenced by the evil desires of the world which offer an altered view of what being a man should look like.

The Life of the Debtor: Those who owe money to others have made themselves slaves to those whom they have a debt to. As a result, the lender may view the debtor as someone that is their inferior, especially if they haven't paid their debt yet; and may treat the debtor with contempt until the debt is paid. It is unlikely that the relationship between the lender and the debtor will ever be the same even after the debt was paid off.

Caring for the Oppressed

In Exodus 22:21-24, and 26-27; the Lord gave to Moses the rules of conduct which Israel was to have towards the foreigner, the widow, the fatherless, and the debtor. When it comes to such people, the Lord commanded that His people were to love them and not take advantage of them; and any person who disobeys these laws would face the anger of the Lord. Why does the Lord care for such people?

Defender of the Oppressed

The Lord is the defender of the oppressed and He provides for all their needs. He does this because they too were made in His image; just like the rest of humanity. Since the Almighty cares for all people regardless of their condition, those whom the Lord called to be His own are commanded to follow His lead and love all people; even the undesirable. By doing this, they show to the whole world that they are the Lord's people.

[Abridged devotion taken from
<https://call2witness.com/2017/11/03/defender-of-the-oppressed/>]

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Upcoming Sermons | 2021 Theme: Imitate Me, As I Imitate Christ (1 Corinthians 11:1)

Date	Sermon topic	Speaker
25 Jul	Not Even Icons? Exodus 20:4-6 Romans 1:18-25	Rev Daniel Tong
01 Aug	Oh, My God! Exodus 20:7 Matthew 5:33-37	Rev Daniel Tong
08 Aug	For You Or For Him? Exodus 20:8-11 Matthew 12:9-14	Mr Raymond Choo
15 Aug	Mama and Papa For Life?! Exodus 20:12 Genesis 2:21-24	Rev Daniel Tong

Prayer and Praise 2021

Date	Topic and Text	Speaker
23 July	Jesus Associated With Sinners – Mark 2:14-17	Rev Daniel Tong

Pray for the World

Father, we pray for the poor in our world striving for survival and a better life for themselves and their children. Have mercy and provide for their daily needs, especially the poor and daily wage earners in nations struggling to survive against the COVID-19 infection. We pray that they will receive the necessary aid for daily sustenance and medical care; and their children receive the necessary skills and education to help rise above their poverty. Show us, Your children, what we are to do to help address the needs of the poor in our midst.

Pray for Singapore

Father, we give thanks for Your blessing of a moral and stable government for our nation, praying that all within the ruling and opposition be of one heart and mind in upholding Your values and standards for life; have deep compassion for the poor and suffering; a discernment of the concerns of the day; and wisdom in the establishing of policies and plans to help our nation continue to grow and flourish. Help all lay aside personal agendas and partisan perspectives, and work in unity for our nation's future.

Pray for SACC

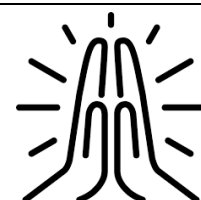
Father, help us persevere in praying for the salvation of our loved ones; and in our efforts to share with them the good news of Your grace and mercy. Holy Spirit, convict them of their sin and need of You, and empower us as messengers of this gospel for their salvation.

This week:

1. Guide all our preparations toward bringing more back for onsite services this coming August.
2. We give thanks for those who have granted us use of their premises for worship and ministry this past year and half, Saint Hilda's Primary School in particular.
3. Bless our brothers and sisters in Pursat, Cambodia; protecting them against COVID-19, and strengthening their daily walk with You.
4. We remember our loved ones and friends living overseas whom we have not been able to visit for so long, that they remain healthy and safe, and in You.
5. Guide our ongoing efforts to reach out to our community with the good news of Jesus Christ; we pay for a mighty harvest to be brought into Your kingdom.

A Prayer Request, Feedback, or Query

Have you a prayer request? Some feedback to share?
 Queries with regard to our church, how you may serve, or about life?
 Write to us at jennwong@sacc.org.sg and we will link you with the best person who may help.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Change in Sunday Services from August

- Opening to 100 pax on odd Sundays and 50 pax on even Sundays.
- The 50 pax services are prioritized to the unvaccinated.
- Members can attend the desired Sunday Services according to the vaccination criteria.
- Dates of Vaccination and Proof of Exemption are needed to be verified at Triage.
- OLO & GIANT (odd Sundays) and CLAY (even Sundays) will convene
- Live-streaming of services at 11am and therefore recorded services will cease.

From 1 August 2021, number of worshippers as follows:

1st & 3rd Sunday - 100 members **VACCINATED** and **EXEMPTED** members
2nd & 4th Sunday - 50 members Priority for **UNVACCINATED** members

Schedule as follows:

1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday
Holy Communion	Holy Communion	NIL	NIL
100 pax (2 Zones)	50 pax (1 Zone)	100 pax (2 Zones)	50 pax (1 Zone)
4 Ushers from 1 John 4:19 & Grace @228	4 Ushers from Mark & Agnes Beacon	3 Ushers from Oasis 1 King 8:57 United Nation	3 Ushers from 5 Loaves & 2 Fish Fuel+

Sunday Service Registration *(Instruction on Page 5)*

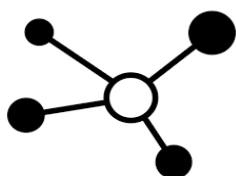
From December, registration to attend Sunday Service will be via Eventbrite link:

<https://tinyurl.com/saccENGLISH>

Alpha 2021

Alpha is starting on 9 July 2021. Start with praying to invite your loved ones or friend to the **Alpha 2021 via Zoom** on 9 July 2021 at 8pm – 9.30pm. For more information, please contact the church office.

Scan this QR Code to register:



SACC Cell Life – Be Part of it

In our cell groups we fellowship, support each other, and serve the community alongside one another. We welcome you to share and be part of these groups situated in Simei, Tampines and Bedok. Contact us today at admin_info@sacc.org.sg and let's explore together the best for you!

Sermon Notes

Speaker: Rev Gilbert Wong

Title: Church As A Refuge

Scripture: Exodus 22:21-24
Matthew 7:15-20

Introduction:

Conclusion:

For Reflection:

1. Do we view Jesus' teaching on power as unique and revolutionary for the church?
2. What refocus would you do for your church to move from "us vs them" mentality or tribalism to love for neighbour and care for the vulnerable?
3. Can we recognise and reject tactics that stoke fear and diminish love for others?

Registration through Eventbrite via mobile:

<https://tinyurl.com/saccENGLISH>

Cell members to register **by Saturday, 3pm.**

Capacity: 50 seats for each service.

(Registration will close on Saturday, 3pm or upon capacity reached)

Steps to register either by mobile:

- 1) Download the Eventbrite App in our mobile and bookmark the above link
- 2) Select Date
- 3) Click 'Tickets'
- 4) Click on the Zone to select the number of required Tickets
- 5) Click 'Register'
- 6) Fill in the required information
- 7) Click 'Register'
- 8) A 'Thank You' message will appear informing you a ticket has been sent to you

Feel free to contact the church office if you need help.

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:

SACC (English)

T08CC4074CEC1

SACC Cambodia Mission Fund

T08CC4074CCMF

SACC Growth Fund

T08CC4074CGF2



Bank Transfer:

DBS 029-900919-2

DBS106-900039-4

DBS 106-900038-6

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
 - 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
 - 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

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.

Add 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 website portal.)

OCBC Fund Transfer

<https://www.ocbc.com/personal-banking/digital-banking>

<https://www.ocbc.com/personal-banking/digital-banking/fast-instant-transfer>

UOB Fund Transfer

<https://www.uob.com.sg/personal/eservices/mobile>

https://www.uob.com.sg/newpib/PIB_Coachmark/fund_transfer_guide.html