

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

COLLECT FOR 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Article: Make No Graven Image

Read: Exodus 20:4-6

The essence of the second commandment is that the worship of God must be spiritual so that it will correspond with His nature. God is spiritual and invisible; nothing, therefore, in the earth or in the heavens above corresponds with His nature. Nothing can adequately or comprehensively represent Him. Consequently, we are not to make any image of Him, whether we intend to worship it or not, for, as Calvin so aptly puts it, “As soon as any one has permitted himself to devise an image of God, he immediately falls into false worship.” We should, therefore, take these two aspects of the second commandment together, not in the sense that we are free to make any graven image as long as we don’t worship it, but that we are not to make any graven image at all because as soon as we do, we are transferring to an image what should be reserved for God only: our adoration and worship. God is insulted not only when we *worship* an image, but when we *represent* Him by any outward form, for *He is spirit*.

Now it is certainly true that God revealed Himself in physical manifestations to the prophets and others in Old Testament times. But this fact does not give us license to break the second commandment and fashion an image of God according to our own imaginations. God choosing to manifest Himself in a physical form is far different from a *human being* choosing to fashion an image of the invisible God. We are not God, and He has not given us the authorization to make such representations.

All rites that do not correspond with the spiritual worship of God are here forbidden. Like a jealous husband, God will allow no rival to Himself. He will not allow us to set our love upon another. And this is exactly what is involved here: our love. We show our love for God when we obey His commands: “If you love Me, keep My commandments.” But those who do not keep His law hate Him, and they (and their posterity) will suffer the consequences of such sin. It is easier than one might think to break this command. Whenever we imagine God in any way contrary to what He has revealed Himself to be, we are making an idol. Our thoughts and our actions, therefore, must be bound by the Word of God. We must worship Him in spirit and in truth, for only then do we show our love.

Coram Deo

Consider how you have broken this command. How do you fashion images of God? Have you constructed any belief system about God that is contrary to the truth as He has revealed it in His word? Have you tried to make a physical image of God through an artistic medium? Consider this in light of the passages below.

[Devotion taken from <https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/make-no-graven-image/>]

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

Date	Sermon topic	Speaker
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
22 Aug	Open Topic	Rev Peter Chen

Prayer and Praise 2021

Date	Topic and Text	Speaker
27 Aug	Jesus Knew Anger John 2:13-17	Mr Joshua Goh

Pray for the World

Lord, we lift up our worldwide Anglican Communion into Your hands, praying that our leaders – bishops, priests and laity – will be faithful in the upholding of Your word and ways; courageous in the proclamation of Your saving grace; and obedient to Your commands. Guide our brothers and sisters in responding to the challenges – economic, moral, etc. – in their respective contexts, granting them wisdom, grace and favour when dealing with those who do not share our beliefs. We pray for Your conviction to befall our brethren who have strayed from the Gospel, that they may return to Your fold.

Pray for Singapore

Lord, we pray for our Bishop and Diocesan leaders in all their endeavours to lead us forward to fulfil Your will. We pray for the raising of another generation of faithful servants who will step up as priests, pastoral staff and lay leaders to care for and lead our Diocese into the future, and in the face of the challenges arising. Help our Diocese strengthen in all areas of our discipleship, and grant that we may be deeply grounded in the knowledge and love of Your word so to be a shining light leading people out of darkness, pointing them toward You, in this land and beyond.

Pray for SACC

Lord, we pray for our loved ones and neighbours who have not made a decision to accept You into their lives, praying for opportunities and favour to share the Gospel with them, and for Your stirring of their hearts to respond favourably to the Gospel when they hear it.

Pressing forward for You:

1. Please continue to work in the lives of our guests for the current run of the Alpha Course, to stir within them a desire for You.
2. We pray for the current COVID-19 spread in our nation to be checked, the infected healed, our healthcare workers strengthened, and greater freedom of movement restored.
3. Please minister Your comfort and care, forgiveness and restoration to the victims and attackers, along with their respective families, of the recent murder cases in our nation.
4. We pray for our fellow SACC members – those we have been in constant touch with and those we have lost touch with – for all to be well and safe, and walking close with You.
5. Please guide our Parish as we strive to maintain and press forward in the calling and ministry You have given us as a church.

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.



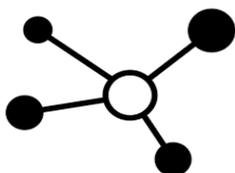
Announcements and Upcoming Events

Sunday Service Registration *(Instruction on Page 5)*

From August, new registration link to attend Sunday Service will be:

<https://sacc-dos.eventbrite.sg>

Opening of our services to more members and restart of some ministries will be pushed back by a month, to September.



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**](mailto:admin_info@sacc.org.sg) and let's explore together the best for you!

Sermon Notes

Speaker: Rev Daniel Tong

Title: Not Even Icons?

Scripture: Exodus 20:4-6
Romans 1:18-25

Introduction:

The Injunction

1. Idols and Icons
2. The Line in the Sand
3. Our Foolishness
4. The Wrath of God

Conclusion:

For Reflection

1. Fill in the blank: _____ is my life.
2. What do you think of the use of symbols and icons? How are we to determine the good and the bad?
3. How should we deal with the idol/s in our lives?

The recorded sermon is available strictly for SACC members only at www.sacc.org.sg/sermons.

Members may register an account at <https://tinyurl.com/saccereg>

From 16 May 2021, 50 worshippers per service

1st & 3rd Sunday - 1 John 4:19 / 1 King 8:57 / Grace@228 / Oasis / United Nation / Young Adults
2nd & 4th Sunday - Mark & Agnes / 5 Loaves & 2 Fish / Beacon / Fuel+

Registration through Eventbrite via mobile:

<https://sacc-dos.eventbrite.sg>

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