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Good Friday marks the death of Jesus Christ. It is called "good" because of what Jesus' death means for the redemption of the world.

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Preaching Today

Good Friday

• English Traditional Service at 10.30AM

Preacher : Rev Christopher Chin

Sermon Title : Responsibility Over Innocent Blood

Scripture : Matthew 27:1-26

• Mandarin Service at 10.30AM

Preacher : Ms Sharon Lam

Sermon Title : Looking to Jesus on the Cross

Scripture : Luke 23: 26-49

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Preacher Today

Rev Christopher Chin

Rev Christopher Chin is currently Coordinator the for TRAC Peranakan-Indonesian Ministry. He had pastored in two churches for the last 18 years; CMC and PLMC. He had also served as LEAD TRAC Intercessory Coordinator for eight years. Christopher is married to Rachel, and they have two young adult children Sophia and Moses.



Early in the morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people made their plans how to have Jesus executed. 2 So they bound him, led him away and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

3 When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. 4 "I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood."

"What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility."

5 So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself.

6 The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money." 7 So they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. 8 That is why it has been called the Field of Blood to this day. 9 Then what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price set on him by the people of Israel, 10 and they used them to buy the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

Jesus Before Pilate

11 Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

"You have said so," Jesus replied.

12 When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. 13 Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" 14 But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor.

15 Now it was the governor's custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. 16 At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus Barabbas. 17 So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" 18 For he knew it was out of self-interest that they had handed Jesus over to him.

19 While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

21 "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor.

"Barabbas," they answered.

22 "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" Pilate asked.

They all answered, "Crucify him!"

23 "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"

24 When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!"

25 All the people answered, "His blood is on us and on our children!"

26 Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

Sermon Reflection Questions

English Traditional Service at 8PM Matthew 27:1-26

- 1. In verse 1, the chief priests and the elders did wrong by plotting murder. Yet they conveniently shifted this responsibility to others, verse 4. Is blame-shifting prevalent in our society, in church or in our lives?
- 2. In verses 3-5, Judas felt remorseful over his wrong-doing. He took personal responsibility over his sin and hanged himself. What was right and what was wrong of his action?
- 3. Pilate was placed in a position of responsibility to ensure justice and protection for the innocent. He started out with good intention to be a responsible person. At the end however, he washed his hands "clean" off this responsibility, verse 24. What made him changed his mind and heart?
- 4. Finally all the people present at Jesus' trial, accepted responsibility over shedding His blood, verse 25. What was wrong and yet right about this?
- 5. In your current life situation, with which character from our scriptural text do you identify the most? How can this be worded into a prayer request to Jesus?

Pastors Away for Retreat

From 3 to 7 April 2024

Rev Dr Lynette Sathiasingam and Rev Jeremy Yap will be away from Wednesday to Sunday, 3 to 7 April 2024 for pastors' retreat. Rev Timothy Ang will be our standby pastor while both of our pastors are away.

- Combined Pastors' Retreat with TRAC Malaysia Date: Wednesday to Friday, 3 to 5 April 2024.
- TRAC Pastors' Retreat

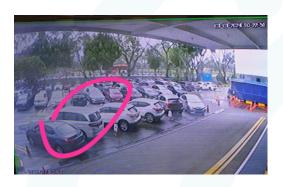
 Date: Friday to Sunday, 5 to 7 April 2024.

Holy Communion Sunday

Holy Communion and 2nd Offering for AMC – Outreach and Social Concerns (for Focus on the Family) scheduled for 7 April will be rescheduled to 14 April 2024. Both the Youth and Children's Ministry will have their service and programmes respectively on 7 April 2024. They will join the main service for Holy Communion on Sunday, 14 April 2024.

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- Blk 2A @ Dover Road (HDB Carpark)
- Fusionopolis or Galaxis

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The Lord's Cafe

The Lord's Cafe will be closed on Good Friday, 29 March 2024.

Good Friday and Easter Services



Good Friday

10.30AM: English Traditional Service

10.30AM: Mandarin Service

*Onsite only

*No Youthphoria, Children's Ministry and Toddler's Programme

Date: 29 March 2024

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Easter Sunrise

6.30AM : English Traditional Service

*Onsite only



Easter Sunday

9.00AM : Combined Bilingual Service

*Onsite only

*Adult and Child Baptism, Confirmation and Reception into Membership

*There will be Children's Ministry and Toddler's Programme but no Youthphoria on Easter Sunday.

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Worship Services

Do join us to worship God on Sunday!

• English Worship Services

Time : 8.30AM (Traditional Service)

10.30AM (Contemporary Service)

Venue : The Sanctuary

Online* : youtube.com.user/aldersgatesg *Livestream is only available for 8.30AM Service.

• Mandarin Worship Service

Time : 10.30AM

Venue : The Rev William Denver Stone Hall
Online : youtube.com/AMCChineseministry

Youthphoria

Youthphoria meets every Sunday except for the first Sunday of each month (Holy Communion Sunday)

Time : 10.30AM

Venue : Fairfield Methodist School (Primary)

Performing Arts Studio

Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry meets every Sunday except for the first Sunday of each month (Holy Communion Sunday)

Time : 10.30AM

Venue : Basement Rooms

Toddlers meet every Sunday except for the first Sunday of each month (Holy Communion Sunday)

Time :10.30AM

Venue : Faith Room

Duty Personnel

29 March 2024

10.30AM English Traditional Service

Worship Leader : Loo Ming Yaw

Pianist : Dr Joanna Tan, Dr Adeline Seow

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