



8:00 p.m. Saturday 18 March 2023

8:45 a.m. Sunday 19 March 2023

ORDER OF SERVICE

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

PRELUDE / PERSONAL REFLECTION & PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: What joy we feel when we are called together to celebrate God's love.

C: God's love flows through our lives!

L: This is what it means to be the body of Christ!

C: This is what it means to be faithful witnesses to God.

L: Let us rejoice on this day!

C: Lord, we thank You for the blessings You pour on us. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

God of mercy and justice, we depend on You for the will to give of ourselves even to those outside our communities, even outside our culture. May our welcoming reflect Your universal call to discipleship. We ask this through Jesus who is the Way, Truth and Life. AMEN.

ACT OF PRAISE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, whose love knows no boundaries, work in us to remove the limits of our love. Bless this offering to heal those we repel as untouchable, to feed those we reject as undeserving, and to comfort those we dismiss as incomprehensible. Expand our love and our offering to see You in the world and to serve You in our lives. Amen.

WELCOME & FAMILY NEWS

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us

UMH 381

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 15:1-28

SERMON

Three Requirements Of Jesus' Disciples

CLOSING HYMN

The Summons

BENEDICTION

THREE FOLD AMEN

PRAYER MINISTRY

If you would like someone to pray for you, please come forward.

SERMON OUTLINE

**SERMON TITLE:
THREE REQUIREMENTS
OF JESUS' DISCIPLES**

**SCRIPTURE TEXT:
MATTHEW 15:1-39**

**PREACHER:
REV DR ANDREW TAN**

Introduction

Jesus makes 3 requirements of His disciples to live the life of the kingdom.

1. His Disciples Must Make God's Word Their Supreme Authority.

a. The Pharisees Charge Against Jesus' Disciples. Vv1-2

"Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They don't wash their hands before they eat!"

b. Jesus Counter Charges Against the Pharisees. Vv3-9

"And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition?"

Application: We Must Make God's Word Our Supreme Authority.

- We must not let tradition be above but serve God's Word.
- We must not let human reason and experience supplant God's Word.
- We must not let our personal interpretation supplant God's Word.

2. His Disciples Must Live Righteously From The Heart.

a. Jesus Warns the Crowd against the Pharisees' Teaching. Vv 10-11

"What goes into a man's mouth does not make him 'unclean' but what comes out of his mouth, that is what makes him 'unclean'."

b. The Disciples Warn Jesus that the Pharisees Were Offended. Vv 12-14

"Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this?"

c. Jesus Explains the Place of the Heart in Spiritual Purity. Vv 15-20

"For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what make a man 'unclean'."

Application: We Must Live Righteously From The Heart.

- We must begin our external behavior from the internal, from the heart.
- We must be transformed by the power of the God's Spirit.
- We must live out our transformed life in the community of God's people.
- We must obey God from the heart.
- We must overcome our hardened hearts.

3. His Disciples Must Have Great Faith in Him.

a. Jesus Heals a Gentile Woman's Daughter. Vv 22-28

"Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.' And her daughter was healed from that very hour."

b. Jesus Heals Many Gentiles. Vv 29-31

"Great crowds came to him, bringing ... and laid them at his feet; and he healed them."

c. Jesus Feeds the Four Thousand in a Gentile Region. Vv 32-38

"The number of those who ate was four thousand ..."

Applications: We Must Have Great Faith in Jesus.

- We must have faith to enter God's kingdom.
- We must increase our faith in Jesus.
- We must have great faith.

Conclusion

-----**questions for sermon discussion**-----

1. How is God's Word supreme in your life?
2. How do you purify your heart?
What righteous behaviors do you practice in church?
3. How do you exercise your faith with what you know about who Jesus is?

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

WORLD

Persecuted Church

According to 'World Watch' Open Door, 90 percent of recorded violent killing of Christians occur in Africa. On the same note, we praise God that the fastest growing church is also in Africa.

1. Pray that persecuted Christians will find comfort in the Lord despite hatred, discriminations n violence.
 2. Pray for protection from those who wish to harm them.
 3. Pray God will grant them courage to declare the gospel whenever prompted to.
 4. Pray that persecutors will find Christ.
 5. Pray that the Church will continue to flourish and grow despite persecution.
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MALAYSIA

Unity Government

With the authority working on corruption cases and 'big fish' being charged, let's:

1. Pray against negative repercussions - especially the coming state elections in Selangor, Kelantan, Terengganu, Negri Sembilan, Kedah and Penang.
 2. Pray people will stop using race and religion for their own political gains.
 3. Pray there is genuine unity and focus in good governance.
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CANNING GARDEN METHODIST CHURCH

A. Shekinah Sanctuary Renovations.

Praise the Lord. The renovation ongoing work is ahead of schedule.

1. Pray it will continue smoothly and safely.
2. Pray the special LED lights from Sweden will arrive asap so that all fixtures can complete on time.

B. Orang Asli Empowerment project in Ulu Kinta.

Praise the Lord, most obstacles have been cleared.

1. Pray for wisdom and directions as the team plans the stages of development.
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Welcome to CGMC Worship Service

We are honored and excited to have you here to worship with us.
Please scan the QR code to connect with us and to access the digital bulletin.

May you encounter God and be enriched in your fellowship with us.
Visitors, guests and members are welcome to join us for coffee / tea at
our Concourse after service.



IN-PERSON WORSHIP (18 FEBRUARY – 26 MARCH)

Saturdays, 8:00 p.m., KMH
Sundays, 8:45 a.m., SK Ho Seng Ong Hall

CGMC LIVESTREAMS

Click/tap cgmcipoh.org/livestreams

PRAY FOR THE NATION (ZOOM)

(Members are encouraged to join any group of the following small groups
to pray for our nation at such a time as this)

Day	Time	Leader	Contact	Zoom Link
Monday	1:00 p.m.	Kwok Pui Ling	016-5643346	
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Yeoh Kit Koon	016-5216109	Meeting ID: 873 7714 7472
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Aw Peck Chin	017-5747010	Meeting ID: 836 0347 8653 Passcode: prayer125

CGMC PRAYER ALTAR (ZOOM)

Mondays – Fridays, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Everyone is welcome to join.

Meeting ID: 836 0347 8653 Passcode: prayer125

SATURDAY MORNING WATCH PRAYER

Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m., KMH

All are encourage to join the prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING DEVOTIONS

Wednesdays, Mar 22, 29, via ZOOM

6:30 a.m. – 7:15 a.m.

Meeting ID: 479 776 3800 Passcode: Lent2023

HOLY WEEK MORNING DEVOTIONS

Monday – Friday, Apr 3 – 7,

6:30am to 7:15am in KMH and ZOOM.

JKC (3 to 6 years old)

Sundays, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Chapel

Kim Bee 012-461 3763

Priscilla 012-523 0176

KIDS (7-12 years old)

Sundays, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. KMH

Mrs Mimi Tan 013-521 9850

MYF MEETING

Sundays, 3:00 p.m. MPH

Sum Kwan Hoo 012-522 7282

Loh Xiu Ming 012-528 8981

PRAISE DANCE

Mondays & Thursdays, 7:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
at CGMC car park

Ms Wong Bee Siew 012-532 6018

MSF FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Monday, Mar 20, 7:00 p.m., KMH

Group 1 hosting

All MSF members are encouraged to attend.

Sit Down Exercise (SDE) (In Person)

Fridays - 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., KMH

Online SDE

Mondays, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at VOOV Meeting and Youtube

2nd LCEC 2023 (ONLINE)

Tuesday, Mar 21, 8:00 p.m.

TRAC DIASPORA MISSION TRAINING

March 24-26, CGMC, Ipoh

Registration Contribution: RM25.00

Registration Form:

<https://forms.gle/7jkYYApBD5hFQGeaA>

Trainer: Dr Chua Thiem Seng (El Shaddai)

INVITATION TO PALM SUNDAY

Welcoming Jesus into our hearts and
reaffirming our willingness to follow Him

Come back to Worship In-Person

Saturday, Apr 1, 8:00pm

Sunday, Apr 2, 8:45am

PLEDGE & OFFERING

- Write cheque : Canning Garden Methodist Church CA No 2
- Bank transfer online: AmBank Account No: 218-201-200487-4
- Touch n Go QR Code (Only for E-Offering)

(Reminder: Put bank-in slip into the envelope that the Church provides,
indicate what the money is for and drop the envelope into the offering
bag.)

