



**SAT, 13 DEC &  
SUN, 14 DEC 2025**

***SATURDAY SERVICES***

**Heartbeat** – at camp

**English** – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary)

**Mandarin** – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

***SUNDAY SERVICES***

**English** – 8.15am & 10.45am\*

(Christ Sanctuary/online)

**Indonesian Fellowship** – 10.45am (B402)

**Mandarin** – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)

**Tamil** – 10am (Bethel Auditorium)

**Filipino** – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

*Regular Junior Church & Teen Encounter  
meeting details on next page*

**ADVENT.**

We begin the new church year with the season of Advent. Advent is a four-week season, which is characterised by themes of longing, waiting, and anticipation of the coming of Christ – His birth as well as His second coming. The liturgical colour of purple for this season symbolises penitence and preparation as reminders of our posture as we remember and wait.

## This Weekend's Sermons

### SATURDAY, 13 Dec

2:30pm (Heartbeat): at Camp

5pm (SES): Preparing the Way Before The Lord (Malachi 3:1-5; Matthew 11:2-11)  
Ven Wong Tak Meng

### SUNDAY, 14 Dec

8:15am (E1) & 10:45am (E2): Preparing the Way Before The Lord  
(Malachi 3:1-5; Matthew 11:2-11) Ven Wong Tak Meng

## New to SJSM?

We are glad you found us! Do let us know if you would like more information or prayer, or just give us some feedback by submitting a simple form by clicking/scanning the QR code on the right or visit <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMVisitor>. Thank you!



On break from 29 Nov-3 Jan 2026!  
The usual weekly classes for members. Variations will be announced in the bulletin and through the teachers

## Teen Encounter

(Ages 11-13)

Sat, 5pm (SES) @ B405

Sun, 8.15am (E1) @ B405

Sun, 10.45am (E2) @ B405

Email [richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg) for enquiries.

## Junior Church

**SATURDAY - 5pm (SES)**

Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Charis

Preschool (3-6 yrs) @ Chara

**SUNDAY - 8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)**

Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Agape Hall

Preschool: Kindy (5-6 yrs) @ Charis

Preschool: Nursery (3-4 yrs) @ Chara

Email [juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg) for enquiries.

## Need Help?

Do connect with us in any of the following ways.

1. Visit/chat with a pastoral staff or request for Holy Communion (for homebound persons):  
Email: [pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg)  
call 67770934, or submit this online form <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3>
2. Request for clinical counselling (for members or members to refer):  
<https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCounsellingRequest>
3. Visit the Healing service  
Thursdays, 8pm, Chapel:  
Email: [sjsmhealingsvc@gmail.com](mailto:sjsmhealingsvc@gmail.com)

catch it again



A Study on Becoming God's People  
(Exodus & Joshua)

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/11517304>

Lent 2025 Series

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/11613057>

Holy Week 2025

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/11668099>

A Study on Hospitality (Luke & Acts)

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10908415>

HEARTBEAT services

<https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr>

All recordings

<https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch>

**This Coming Week** (no registration required)

**Tue, 16 Dec**

11.00am **Tea Terrace** (*Tea Terrace*)

**Thu, 18 Dec**

11.00am **Tea Terrace** (*Tea Terrace*)

8.00pm **Healing Service** (*Chapel*)

**Sat, 20 Dec**

11.00am **Dover Celebrates Christmas 2025**  
(*Levels 2 & 3*)

2.00pm **Christmas Play by the Children**  
(*Christ Sanctuary*)

5.00pm **Mandarin Service** (*Glory Sanctuary*)

**Sun, 21 Dec**

8.15am **English Morning Holy Communion Service**  
(*Christ Sanctuary*)

10.00am **Mandarin Service** (*Glory Sanctuary*)  
**Tamil Service** (*Bethel Auditorium*)

10.45am **English Morning Holy Communion Service**  
(*Christ Sanctuary & online*)

1.30pm **Filipino Service** (*Bethel Auditorium*)

**Save  
These Dates!**

- **Dec 24 (5:30pm/8:30pm)**  
Christmas Eve Gospel Services
- **Dec 25 (10am)**  
Christmas Day Holy Communion Service
- **Dec 31 (8pm)**  
Covenant Holy Communion Service
- **Jun 8-11 (2026):**  
Church Camp

**NEXT WEEK'S SERMONS**

**Sun 21 Dec (E1/E2)**

*Advent – Trusting in a Faithful God*

Isaiah 7: 10 – 14;  
Matt 1:18-25

Rev. Dr Tan Soo-Inn



**ADVENT 2025: Being Faithful  
Until He Returns**

*Watchfulness in Uncertain Times • 29 & 30 Nov*  
*Ready for the Coming King • 06 & 07 Dec*  
*Preparing the Way Before The Lord • 13 & 14 Dec*  
*Advent 04 • 21 Dec*  
*Christmas Eve Gospel Service • 24 Dec*  
*Christmas Day • 25 Dec*  
*Covenant Service • 31 Dec*

## NOTICES

### DOVER CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS: 20 DEC, 11AM-3PM

Tickets for food, rides, activities, door gift and the raffle draw are still available after the services (\$8/- per sheet), or at the reception during office hours on weekdays.

Printed flyers are available at the Info Desk, or download them at <https://sjsm.org.sg/event/dover-celebrates-christmas-2025/>

### NO SES ON 20 DEC

FYI, there will be no SES on Sat 20 Dec. E1/E2 services will take place on Sun 21 Dec at their usual times.

### CHRISTMAS PLAY BY THE CHILDREN

**Date & Time: Sat 20 Dec, 2-3pm (Christ Sanc)**

If you are at DCC, don't forget to also attend the Christmas play by the children! Admission is free and all are welcome even if you come just for the play!

### CHRISTMAS EVE GOSPEL SERVICES: WED 24 DEC

**5.30pm | refreshments @ 4.30pm (\*see note)**

**8.30pm | supper @10pm**

Pick up printed invitational flyers from the Info Desk after the services, or download the e-flyers to share at:

<https://tinyurl.com/SJSM24DecInvite>.

*\* Note: Tickets are required for seats in the Community Hall. They are available for collection this weekend at the Info Desk or at the reception during office hours on weekdays (while stocks last). If you don't get a ticket, come join in the fun at the Square anyway!*

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC) – RUN 1

**Date & Time:** 7 Sats (Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9), 9am to 2pm | Sat Finale (16 May), 9am - 6pm

**Cost per person:** \$100 (SJSMer)/ \$150 (non SJSMer)

**Closing date:** Mon 1 Feb 2026

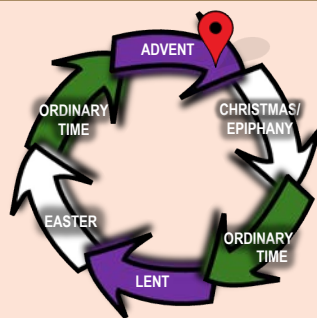
A strong and enduring marriage is built upon a firm foundation. The SJSM Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) is designed to help couples understand God's design for marriage and to equip them with biblical principles, practical knowledge, and relational skills essential for a healthy, lasting union. This 8 week course is strongly recommended for dating couples who are prayerfully discerning marriage and **a requirement for couples intending to be married in SJSM**. Attendance at all sessions is compulsory. Please complete the form **individually**. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/MPC2026>

### "IT TAKES A VILLAGE" WINS AWARD

"It Takes A Village", the docuseries which focused on the intergenerational interactions between elderly and children of SJSM Village, won Best Documentary Series at the Asian Television Awards. To God be the glory!

## The Liturgical Year

The Liturgical Year or the Church Calendar, was developed by the early Christians to remind us that while we move through our current timeline, we are still a part of God's missional timeline and purposes. So the liturgical year helps us to remember and relive the story of Jesus' time on earth and what was accomplished. It also reminds us that we the church, must keep our focus to fulfil God's mission in the world.



## Join the Staff Team

1. Facilities Officer (FT)
2. HR Administrator (PT)

Details at [www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment](http://www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment)

*Connect With Us*

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Write to [info@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:info@sjsm.org.sg) to furnish us with details.

**MARRIAGE/WEDDINGS**

Planning to get married? Write to the Family Life Ministry at [flm@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:flm@sjsm.org.sg).

**BEREAVEMENT**

Please get in touch so that we can support you. Contact your cell leader, cell pastor, Zone Pastor, or the Church Office via 6777 0934 or [pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg)

*Giving Tithes and Offerings*

**Via Bank Transfer**

Name of Bank Account:  
 St John's –  
 St Margaret's Church  
 Acct #: 360-303-092-1  
 Branch Code: 030  
 Bank Code: 7375  
 Bank Name: UOB

**Via PayNow** (scan with banking app or save to use from your gallery)

UEN: T08CC4080B  
 (T08CC4080BSJM for DBS)



Drop cheques/cash in offertory boxes at the exits (SES & E2) or the bags during E1.

**BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION COURSE 2026 (10 Sundays)**

Dates: 25 Jan; 1, 8, 22 Feb; 1, 8, 29 Mar; 12, 26 Apr; 3 May  
 Time & Venue: 1.30-3.30pm | B405/B404

**Baptism Svc: 21/22 Mar 2026**  
**Confirmation Svc: 17 May 2026**

If you're ready to take the next step in your faith journey to be baptised and be part of the Anglican community, this course is required to prepare you for them. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBapConf2026> by **15 Jan 2026**.

**JOHN123 CARD**

This card can help you with a system to pray and reach out to someone this Christmas or any other time! Click on <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMJn123Card> to get the digital version.

**WOMEN AT THE WELL – SAVE THE DATES!**

**2026 Series: “Being Relational”**

In line with the church theme for 2026, we are excited to launch a series of talks designed to help us grow healthier, deeper, and more intentional relationships in every season of life.

1. Sat 31 Jan - Emotionally Healthy Spirituality
2. Sat 18 Apr - Cultivating Adult Friendships
3. Sat 25 Jul - Managing Conflict (TBC)
4. Sat 17 Oct - Finishing Well

Registration will open closer to the dates. Watch out for them in the coming weeks!

**JUNIOR CHURCH 2026**

To enrol you child for Junior Church in 2026, please use the link <https://tinyurl.com/JCRegistrations>. JC children that have already enrolled need not register again.

**INDONESIAN FELLOWSHIP ON BREAK**

The Indonesian Fellowship will be on break after this Sunday and will resume on Sun 4 Jan 2026.

**OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...**

- **Melvin Lee & Angie Heng** on the passing of Melvin's beloved father on Thu 4 Dec 2025.
- The family of **Annie Png Leng Sioh** (husband: Charles; daughters and son-in-law: Elaine, Lillian and Arnold). Our dear sister was called home to the Lord on Tue 9 Dec 2025.

**TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)**

General Fund	Jan – Nov 2025 (\$)	Nov 2025 (\$)
<b>Budgeted collections</b>	7,634,682	694,062
<b>Actual collections</b>	7,384,087	526,044
<b>Excess/(Shortfall)</b>	(250,595)	(168,018)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*LECTIONARY READINGS:* Psalm 68:1-9; Zephaniah 3:14-end; Philippians 4:4-7

*COLLECT:* Almighty God, who sent Your servant John the Baptist to prepare Your people for the coming of Your Son: inspire the ministers and stewards of Your truth to turn our disobedient hearts to the law of love; that when He comes again in glory, we may stand with confidence before Him as our Judge; who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

#### OUR PARISH

- **Heartbeat Youth Camp (12-15 Dec).** Pray for a powerful anointing upon the camp speakers that their message is delivered with a demonstration of the Spirit's power (1 Cor 2:4-5). Pray for (a)campers to be restored in truth, renewed in faith and rejuvenated to bear lasting fruit as they abide in Christ (Jn 15:16); (b) seekers to encounter Jesus, put their faith in Him and be embraced into the faith community.
- **Christmas Outreaches.** May Emmanuel reveal His saving presence at Dover Celebrates Christmas (20 Dec) and our Christmas Eve and Christmas gospel services. Pray for an overwhelming turnout of Doverites, families and friends to encounter Him through His body and the joy of Christmas through food, fun and messages spotlighting Him as the reason for the season. May His light shine powerfully, leading many to living faith (Jn 3:16-17). Pray for His canopy of protection, divine favour and fruitfulness over every event and all who serve.

#### OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **Little Seeds Preschool (LSP).** Lift up LSP to Jehovah Jireh, praying for His abundant provision as it meets daily needs, navigates the challenges of securing government funding, and serves the community with love and grace (Phil 4:19). Pray for His protection over every child and staff member during this flu season. May the children thrive and the teachers be strengthened by His enduring love and guidance (Ps 23:3). Pray that all intergenerational activities with nursing home residents overflow with joy and blessing to both young and old, and everyone serving in this ministry.

### OUR NATION

- **Rough Sleeping in Singapore.** The number of rough sleepers in Singapore has risen steadily, especially among under-35s. Many are driven to the streets by heartbreaking circumstances — family violence, broken relationships, losing a home or the death of a loved one. Pray for (a) God's protection from violence and harm for every rough sleeper; (b) expanded outreach and safe, welcoming facilities; (c) a growing movement of compassionate volunteers called to befriend and support them. May God stir our hearts with deep compassion to never forget the poor and oppressed among us (Gal 2:10).

### THE WORLD

- **Children's Online Safety.** Praise God for Australia's world-first law restricting under-16s from major social media platforms to curb the ensnarement and exploitation of the young. As other nations consider similar measures, pray that this legislation be implemented with heavenly wisdom (Jas 3:17), and loopholes be addressed effectively. May God (a) galvanize more governments and social media companies to prioritize children's online safety above profit; (b) grant parents and caregivers wisdom and favour to nurture deeper connections and healthy digital habits; (c) guide children to find their identity in Christ, not online validation.

#### PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

To join an intercession group, write to  
[prayer@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:prayer@sjsm.org.sg).

#### DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Download the latest file at  
[www.anglican.org.sg](http://www.anglican.org.sg).

**WE HAVE NEED FOR  
SOUND/PA &  
PROJECTIONIST!**

TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED

**2026 REGISTRATION**  
*SJSM* Junior Church

Preschool Age 3-6 yrs  
Primary Age 7-10 yrs

Existing Jr Church children do not need to register again.

"EVERY HERO HAS A  
SOURCE OF STRENGTH  
— THEIR IS **Jesus**  
WITHIN THEM."

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM NEEDED!**

*Help keep SJSM safe in an emergency!*

If you have medical and/or enforcement and security skills, do volunteer!

To register your interest, scan the QR code or visit [tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg).

**Know The Word** SJSM's systematic book study course

**EZEKIEL**

Jan 27, Feb 3, 10, 24; Mar 3 & 17  
(6 Tues)  
7.45pm | Dr Lee Chien Earn

To attend, register by 18 Jan 2026 at <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMKTW>.

Email [ce@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:ce@sjsm.org.sg) if you have queries.

**Quick Links**

**COURSES & EVENTS (reg by)**

- **Dover Celebrates Christmas**  
<https://sjsm.org.sg/event/dover-celebrates-christmas-2025/>
- **Christmas Eve Gospel Services**  
<https://sjsm.org.sg/event/christmas-eve-gospel-services-24-dec/>
- **Baptism & Confirmation (15 Jan)**  
[tinyurl.com/SJSMBapConf2026](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBapConf2026)
- **KTW- Ezekiel (18 Jan)**  
<https://tinyurl.com/SJSMKTW>
- **Marriage Preparation Course 2026 (1 Feb)**  
<https://tinyurl.com/MPC2026>

**SERVE/VOLUNTEER**

- **Jn123 Card**  
<https://tinyurl.com/SJSMJn123Card>
- **Join Music Ministry**  
<https://tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMMusicMin>
- **Emergency Response Team**  
[tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg)
- **Join the Choir**  
[tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMChoir](https://tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMChoir)
- **Join Junior Church**  
[tinyurl.com/SJSMJCVolunteerInterest](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMJCVolunteerInterest)
- **Stewardship Booklet 2025**  
[tinyurl.com/SJSMStewardshipBk](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMStewardshipBk)
- **HealthTouch volunteer**  
[sjsm.healthtouch@gmail.com](mailto:sjsm.healthtouch@gmail.com)
- **2025 Mission Trips**  
[www.sjsm.org.sg/v1/missions.html](http://www.sjsm.org.sg/v1/missions.html)
- **Village Volunteer**  
<http://www.sjsm.org.sg/v1/volunteer-sjsm-village.html>
- **Refreshments/Tea Terrace**  
[info@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:info@sjsm.org.sg)

**Join/visit a cell!**

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Submit a form (click/scan the QR code) to request to visit or join a group or email [cell@sjsm.org.sg](mailto:cell@sjsm.org.sg).



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