



MINISTRY GUIDE

18 and 19 December 2021

*To all who are weary, struggling and burdened, we
welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ.*

Worship Leader: Nehemiah (Sat) **Preacher:** Thomas Hamilton
Lam Lup Meng (Sun)

Welcome

Call to Worship

Colossians 1:15-20

*Consider the grace of our Lord Jesus,
our Creator God who gave himself
freely on our behalf.*

Praise & Adoration

[O Come, O Come Emmanuel](#)
[My Worth is Not in What I Own](#)

Baptisms

Offering

Doxology

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

John 2:1-11

Sermon

Jesus: Sovereign Creator, Purifying
Saviour, Gracious Provider

Song of Response

[I Stand Amazed \(How Marvelous\)](#)

Benediction

WELCOME

If you are new with us, we'd love to get to know you.

Connect with us by filling up this form at <http://gracebaptistchurch.sg/welcome> or through this QR code.



OUR LIFE TOGETHER

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Topic: Jesus did amazing things (Luke 4:31-44)

SCHOOL

Theme: Jesus taught and did extraordinary things before He died on the cross

19 Dec (Sun)

In Person

BAPTISM

We thank God for those joining us as members by baptism and transfer this Sunday, 19 Dec. [Be encouraged by their personal stories and do drop them a note of encouragement.](#)

19 Dec (Sun)

Baptism: Caroline Nur Faizah, Kelvin Lum, Joel Neo, Martin Tan and Mercia Tan.

Transfer: Alan Kuei, Jolene Fong, Brandon Loke, Kimberly Siew, Rebecca Tan, Robert Ryan Yap, Anna May Yap and Tabitha Yeong.

CHRISTMAS LOVE

GIFT

Every Christmas, we show our love to our missionaries through the "Christmas Love Gift". Due to the increasing difficulty of sending physical gifts, this token now comprises a monetary gift. The Missions Committee and English Congregation Leadership have agreed to allocate the regular Missions Giving for the period from 11 Dec (Sat) to 24 Dec (Fri) towards this gift. Thank you for giving generously to encourage and appreciate those whom GBC sends out in God's service.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
24 Dec (Fri)
5pm

Invite your family and friends for this evangelistic service! Register here (gracebaptistchurch.sg/christmas-eve) and do remember to sign up early for the service. Our regular services on 25 Dec (Sat) & 26 Dec (Sun) will be as usual at 5pm and 9am respectively.

2021 YEAR END FINANCIAL CLOSING

Ministries are reminded to submit all expense claims for 2021 by 26 Dec (Sun). Any submissions after this date will be included in the next year's (2022) Accounts instead.

WATCHNIGHT SERVICE
31 Dec (Fri)
8-10pm
In-person/YouTube

Let's gather to reflect and thank God for His faithful provision this year. Registration for this in-person gathering opens after 12pm, 19 Dec (Sun) at: gracebaptistchurch.sg/watchnight.

CHURCH MATTERS
22 Jan 2022 (Sat)
9am-1pm
Mode TBC

This teaches through what GBC believes and what membership means. If you are interested to learn more about GBC or to become a member, sign up at : <http://gracebaptistchurch.sg/church-matters>

STAFF MOVEMENT Pastor Oliver is on leave 20 to 27 Dec.

More info on events can be found at <https://english.gracebaptistchurch.sg/calendar> or sign up for weekly updates via Grace eNews at www.tinyurl.com/gbcenews.

SERVE

WELCOME MINISTRY As we welcome back more worshippers for our services, the ministry is recruiting more volunteers for both Saturday and Sunday. Volunteers are rostered on alternate months, and anyone who is keen can serve. Contact Siang Teck (stlee.316@gmail.com) or Sze Gar (tsgar@hotmail.com).

**CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY**

We are looking for 20 new teachers to serve in Sunday School. If you're keen to serve or would like to find out more, please contact either Mok Chuan Xin (themok@gmail.com) or Siew Ting (siewting@gracebaptistchurch.sg).

GIVE

Giving is a way we worship God. You can now also give to the two funds via Paynow.

*General Fund
Supports the
ministry of the
church*



*Missions Fund
Supports the
work of our
missionaries*



PRAY

Our prayer focus for this week is for GBC and the gospel work in Singapore. Pray that we will:

1. Praise and proclaim Jesus as the sovereign Creator, purifying Saviour and gracious Provider
2. Praise God for Belinda's successful kidney transplant and she will continue to have a smooth recovery
3. Bear fruit of Christ-like maturity, to understand and treasure the gospel of Jesus Christ as a result of the Youth Camp
4. Declare the gospel clearly and faithfully at our Christmas Eve service
5. Be good witnesses of the gospel among the Singapore churches

If you have any prayer needs, please drop the pastoral staff a note via <https://gracebaptistchurch.sg/pastoralprayer> or through this QR code.



“Jesus: Sovereign Creator, Purifying Saviour, Gracious Provider”

John 2: 1-11

Scripture Passage

Taken from the ESV

[1] On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. [2] Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. [3] When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” [4] And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” [5] His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

[6] Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. [7] Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. [8] And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. [9] When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom [10] and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” [11] This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Sermon Outline

- John 20:30 – “Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book.”
- John 20:31 – “But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

1. “My hour has not yet come” (vv.1-5)
2. Jars of purification (vv.6-8)
3. The Good Wine, kept until now (vv.9-10)
4. His glory made manifest among his disciples (v.11)

This first sign in the gospel of John, the miracle at the wedding in Cana, portrays Jesus as...

- Sovereign Creator
 - Colossians 1:15-20
 - Authority:
 - Power:
- Purifying Savior
 - Matthew 15:10-20
- Gracious Provider
 - Hebrews 8:6
 - John 15:5

- Hebrews 12:2

- Revelation 19:7

Reflection Questions

1. How have your time and interactions with others this past week reflected gratitude and glory to Jesus, the One who has offered his goodness for us on the cross?
2. How must we re-align our personal ambitions and goals in this life to match those of Christ (Hebrews 12:2)?

Next week's sermon: God With Us (*Psalms 48*)

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