



# Covenant

*DNA of Christ's Disciple*



18 Oct 2020

# Times

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## reStarting, reSetting and reThinking Church

Retreats are great places to take stock of the things that has taken place and also the NOW, because God is in the NOW.

Every time I listen in on those who have retreated, their stories and revelations lift me up and encourages me to no end. *"How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!"* - Psalm 139:17

What I hear from each retreatant who press in to listen to the Almighty One affirms how good God is and the good work He is doing endlessly even in this seemingly endless Pandemic.

This pandemic has had it's share of great pains but it's on-hindsight reflections have been a great blessing for countless as well.

*You hear of strains in marriages but you also hear of strengthening of marriages.*

*You hear of absent Fathers but you also hear of Fathers who are now available and catching up with lost family time.*

*You hear of families who hardly have home-cooked meals but they get to cook and eat together as a family as they stay home.*

*You hear of wayward children who hardly come home but you also hear of families restored in repentance and forgiveness.*

*You hear of lack of partying times but you also hear of large groups zooming online with giggles & laughs.*

*You hear of complains of no overseas holidays but you also hear of large savings as a result of staying home with the ability to give to charities and help those who lost their jobs.*

*You hear of busy people who have no time to sleep but you also hear of people who can sleep in and take naps between work as they work from home.*

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*During this unusual time when we cannot come together for worship, we can still be part of a worshipping community. We invite you to join us at our pre-recorded worship service at this website <https://www.cplink.org.sg/>. We hope you can also connect with our Life Groups. Please contact one of our Pastoral Staff if you like to join a Life Group. We are still meeting and connecting through various digital platforms.*

*Welcome!*

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*We want to grow in Christlikeness through devotion and delight in God, nurturing devotion and delight in God, nurturing relationships and intentionally multiplying disciplemakers.*

*You hear of pre-maritals who had to postpone their weddings but you also hear of couples who were only too happy to hold small weddings with just a few family members.*

*You hear of people who missed going to Church but you also hear that Churches are slowly restarting their services on site...*

That's where we are today...

We have changed, like it or not. Because of our Great God, we are never the same again. We are grateful for this life today, for every provision, for every relationship, for every body of Christ, for every opportunity to help and be helped, love and be loved... how can we remain the same? The way we do Church will also change. I believe God wants us to Restart and Reset our ways, our hearts and our minds and to reThink Church ie how to worship Him in our hearts, serve Him, evangelise and disciple. Live on-site worship service may be short and sweet and there may be no mingling around before or after service at the premise, our renewed hearts and refreshed minds can now focus on truly worshipping our King alone. Giving Him all our praises! Nothing more and Nothing less. That should excite us more than anything else. That's how we will begin and open our hearts to allow our King to lead us beyond this point in a fresh new way of doing Church, inside and outside.

Glorify Thyself, O God!

~ ~ Ps Lai Mui Fong ~ ~

*“Vocation is the place where our deep gladness meets the world's deep need.” — [Frederick Buechner](#)*

## A DAY ALONE WITH THE LORD RETREAT

Join us for the next  
*A Day Alone with the Lord*  
Retreat. Please scan this QR code  
to register here for one or more  
refreaths on these Saturdays -  
Oct 31, Nov 28, Dec 26.



Your Retreat Facilitators: Rev Keith & Mui Fong Lai



# THE BONDAGE OF THE WILL

Rev Keith Lai

*Relationship between original sin and human free will*

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*Romans 3:9-12*

# GIVING

**Kindly take note of the separate bank accounts for Tithing and Offering.**

## TITHING



*Please key in your tithing number at the reference section. If you are unsure of or do not a tithing number, you may drop us an email at the church website. under “Request” tab and we will get back to you.*

### INTERNET TRANSFER

DBS Current Account: 025-905375-8

Account name: Covenant Presbyterian Church - Tith

UEN no. **T12SS0164DTTH**

## OFFERING



*Please key in only the alphabet at the reference section as follows :*

*“E” for English Service  
“C” for Chinese Service  
“SL” for Sri Lankan Service*

### INTERNET TRANSFER

DBS Current Account: 033-016873-0

Account name: Covenant Presbyterian Church

UEN no. **T12SS0164D**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✚ **Project Care & Share** is looking for more volunteers to be involved in the household needs survey + door gift distribution for the low income households at Blk 47. This initiative will begin on **24 Oct**, so sign up soon! For more info or to register, please contact contact **Pr Lionel (97365245)** or **Ps Henry (96800679)**.
- ✚ Kindly note that effective from **2 Nov 2020** onwards, Mondays are designated as the off day for all Pastoral and Admin staff, the Church office will be closed on Mondays.
- ✚ The English worship service has resumed on Sundays at 11.30am. We seek your cooperation to follow the guidelines below for onsite worship service to ensure everyone's safety and the smooth running of the service:
- *Preaching, corporate prayer and Holy Communion will be live. Broadcast of the Worship service is also @ 11.30am for those watching online and no more at 9.00am*
  - *As we are limiting to 50 pax, you will need to pre-register in advance for the service via church's website; <https://cplink.org.sg/>*
  - *This will be on a first come first serve basis, so sign up quickly and ensure that you turn up on the Sunday that you registered for, so as not to deprive another person of the seat.*
  - *If you are currently on a Stay Home Notice (SHN) or there are people in your household under SHN, please DO NOT attend the onsite service.*
  - *The church will be open for entry **only 30 mins** before the service starts.*
  - *Level 4, including the creche, as well as Sunday School, will be **closed**. Parents can still bring your children but they have to be with you at level 3.*
  - *As of now, the church will only be open for the purpose of service only. We may expand it for use for small groups in the future as the government advisory loosens. **We cannot mingle in the church compound as per the government guidelines, you are encouraged to fellowship outside of church, for eg. at a makan place of your choice before or after the service.***



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## Pastoral Staff

Rev Keith Lai  
Rev Abel Lee  
Rev Dr Henry Wong  
Rev Christina Ong  
Ps Lai Mui Fong  
Pr Chin Yoke Fen  
Pr Lionel Neo  
Ps Susantha

## Sri Lankan Service

Rev Christina Ong / Ps Susantha

## Chinese Service

Rev Abel Lee / Pr Chin Yoke Fen

## CareWorks Community Services

Rev Dr Henry Wong

## Gladiolus Place

Michelle Tan

## Ministry Team Leaders

### Creche

Kong Soh Lian

### Children

Pr Lionel Neo

### Youth and Young Adult (YaYA)

Rev Abel Lee (ad interim)

Aruneeporn Ng

Audrey Wong

### Young Working Adult & Young Married

Rev Dr Henry Wong

### Adults & Seniors

Rev Keith Lai/ Ps Lai Mui Fong

### Hospitality

Jenny Ho

### Worship

Arthur Lim

### Missions

Ho Chung Tat

### Prayer

Rev Dr Henry Wong

### Freedom & Wholeness

Alfred & Jenny Koay

### GB / BB

Pr Lionel Neo

### Chinese Seniors Alpha Course

Pr Chin Yoke Fen

### Day Alone with the Lord

Ps Lai Mui Fong