

7 December 2025

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WELCOME!

Thank you for taking the time to be with us today! We are so glad you are here.

If you are with us for the first time, we would like to connect with you! Please scan the QR code to fill in the online Newcomer's Form.

SUNDAY SERVICE VENUE & TIMING

11, Bt Batok St 25, Singapore 658712 10am @ The Shelter (inside St Andrew's Mission School)

PRAYER & MINISTRY

If you would like to talk to someone or receive prayer ministry, you may contact our Priest-In-Charge, pastoral staff, or any of our church leaders.

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To Present Everyone Mature in Christ

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. Colossians 1:28

COLLECT

2nd Sunday of Advent

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

SERMON

Westside United

Isaiah 11:1-10, Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12 Pastor Justin Chua

DUTY SCHEDULE

	This Week: 7 December Holy Communion Service	Next Week: 14 December Sunday Service
Chairperson	Pang Kwee Hoon	Ps Justin Chua
Speaker	Ps Justin Chua	Revd Stephen Lim
Praise Leader	Low Sze Yen	Carol Wee
Musicians	Ps Justin Chua	Harry Sin
Audio-Visual	Ngoh Zhi Jun, Sheryl Lim	Jonathan Leow, Clarissa Lim
Holy Communion	Revd Kelvin Koo, Ps Justin Chua, Pang Kwee Hoon, Jason Tan	
Intercessor	Pearl Wee	Susy Tan
Scripture Reader	Chong Cheng Yuan	Ps Justin Chua

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



No One Left Behind

There are some people who leave marks on our hearts forever. For me, it was my sister, a beautiful soul with special needs. Growing up, the world labelled her as "retarded," but to me, she was simply my sister, someone who needed more love, more patience, and more understanding. She taught me what unconditional love looks like. She taught me that every person carries the image of God, not because of ability or achievement, but because God Himself crafted them. Her passing reminded me of a powerful truth – that in God's family, no one is forgotten. No one is left out. No one is left behind.

That truth shines brightly in the story of Mephibosheth in 2 Samuel 9 when David had just become the king. History tells us what new kings would usually do – they would wipe out the previous king's entire family line to secure their own rule. But David began his reign with a radical question: "Is there anyone still left... to whom I can show kindness?" The Hebrews word he used, 'chesed', means covenant love, mercy, loyal kindness. David wasn't hunting an enemy; he was searching for someone to bless.

This is like the heart of God. He seeks out those the world overlooks. He remembers what others forget. He extends love where others draw boundaries. Many families with special needs children know what it feels like to be overlooked or exhausted. But the heart of God, and the call of His people, is to seek them with compassion, not avoidance.

Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, was crippled in both feet. He lived in Lo-debar, a place whose name means "no pasture", a

barren and forgotten land, a place of no hope. Mephibosheth carried shame, fear, and a deep sense of unworthiness. In many ways, he is a picture of people who feel hidden, misunderstood, or left behind. People with visible disabilities and those with invisible wounds. People who quietly endure shame, fear, or isolation. And yet, God sees every "Mephibosheth". He sees those whom society labels or overlooks. He sees those the world forgets. And He moves toward them.

When David looked at Mephibosheth, he spoke three lifechanging words: "Do not fear". Fear is always the first thing God addresses. Then, "I will surely show you kindness." Not because Mephibosheth earned it, but because of a covenant. God's grace toward us works the same way: it is not based on our performance, but on His promise. Finally, David said, "You shall eat at my table always." This phrase is a deliberate reminder that Mephibosheth was not merely rescued; he was adopted. Not tolerated, but honoured. Not placed in the servants' quarters, but seated with the king. We expect rejection, but God gives acceptance. We expect scraps, but He gives a seat at the table. This is the heart that the church is called to reflect, especially to those with special needs: not pity, but honour; not distance, but inclusion; not tolerance, but acceptance.

The story ends like this: "...he ate always at the king's table. Now he was lame in both his feet." While Mephibosheth's disability remained, his identity radically changed. In the same way, God's grace does not always remove our weaknesses, but it redefines our worth. A child with special needs or a developmental delay may experience the world differently, yet in Christ they are fully loved, fully valued, fully included. Not because they fit into society's mould, but because they have a place at the King's table.

This story points us to Jesus. We are all Mephibosheths who are broken, fearful, unworthy, hiding in our own Lo-debar, but Christ our King seeks us out. He carries us from shame to honour. He lifts us from the ground to His table. He adopts us, not because we are good, but because He is gracious. "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). At His table, no one sits higher. No one sits lower. We are all there because of His grace.

What does this mean for us today? Simply put: every person, regardless of ability, carries the image of God. Every family with special needs should feel seen and supported. The church must learn from David, who reflected the heart of God. We are called to seek out, welcome, and honour those the world often ignores. Because in God's house, there is room for everyone. There is a seat for everyone. There is grace for everyone. No exceptions. No exclusions. No one left behind.

Ps Kelvin





PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD

We lift Hong Kong to the Lord as the city mourns the tragic fire and the many lives lost. We pray that God's comfort will surround the families who are grieving and those shaken by the disaster. May His presence bring peace in the midst of deep sorrow. We ask the Lord to heal the injured and those suffering emotional trauma, and for the swift provision of support to residents who have been displaced, or who have lost their possessions. We remember the firefighters, medical teams, and volunteers who responded under great pressure, that God may strengthen and renew them. May Hong Kong experience unity, compassion, and hope through the grace and mercy of our Heavenly Father.

SINGAPORE

We lift Singapore to the Lord, praying especially for our government and those entrusted with leadership. May God grant them wisdom, as they make decisions that shape the nation's future. We also pray for Singapore's relationships with other nations, that God may continue to bless us with favour in diplomacy, stability in partnerships, and opportunities for Singapore to contribute among nations.

In this holiday season, we remember families who are travelling. We pray for safety and protection over every journey. May this time be filled with rest, joy, and meaningful moments. We ask that God strengthen family bonds, and bring renewal and togetherness to every household.



PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

WESTSIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Sick & Suffering

Pray for those amongst us who are sick and suffering, that God will look upon them with mercy and provide them with comfort and relief. Pray that the Lord will help them towards restoration of health and well-being, provide them a path out of their brokenness and despair, and make them whole again. May they acknowledge God's sovereignty, love and wisdom, and strengthen their faith in Him.

St Andrew's Nursing Home - Taman Jurong (TJNH)

We give thanks for the 6 residents who were baptised on 21 November. Pray that they will continue to grow in their faith and deepen their knowledge of Christ.

Pray for the combined Nursing Fellowships' Christmas celebration on 13 December, that the Holy Spirit will anoint the speaker, Revd Lew Kiat Lern. May the evangelistic message help the lost break through the darkness of unbelief and doubt, to find hope, strength, peace and life in our Lord Jesus Christ.

COMING UP @ WAC

DECEMBER 2025

SUNDAY SERVICE
SPEAKER: REVD STEPHEN LIM

21 HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE SPEAKER: PS JUSTIN CHUA

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

CORPORATE PRAYER MEETING

@ AUDITORIUM

CHRISTMAS COMBINED

EVANGELISTIC SERVICE
SPEAKER: REVD KELVIN KOO

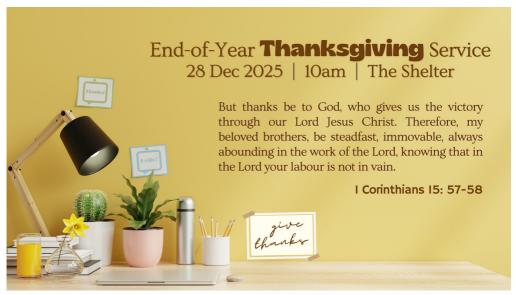
CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

END-OF-YEAR THANKSGIVING
SERVICE
SPEAKER: REVD KELVIN KOO



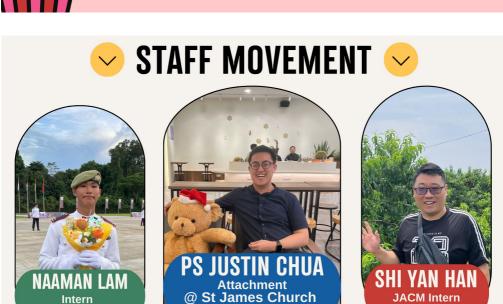












Jan-May 2026

Jan-Dec 2026

11 Dec - 31 Jan



Internet Banking

Account Name: Westside Anglican Church
Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-901156-8

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Cheques

Make cheque payable to 'Westside Anglican Church'.

On the back of the cheque, write WAC's account number (033-901156-8) as well as the purpose of payment.

Drop the cheque in the offering bag or at any DBS/POSB branch.

CELL GROUPS

We gather in small groups (known as cell groups) for encouragement through bible study, prayer & other activities. We welcome you to join us! If you would like to find out more, do email the cell leaders directly.

CELL NAME ACTS	CONTACT Jason Tan jastan 98@yahoo.com	DAY/TIME/VENUE 1 st & 3rd Sun, 12:30pm in Church
Blessed LIFE	Revd Kelvin Koo <u>kelvinkoocy@anglican.org.sg</u>	4th Fri, 7:30pm Cavenagh Road
CROSSroads	Thia Jun Hoong	1st & 3rd Fri, 8pm
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Destiny Impact	Ps Justin Chua	Every Sat, 2:30pm
[Youth]	justinchua@cathedral.org.sg	in Church
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