

PRINSEP STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christmas Service 2020

25 December 2020, 10am

LUKE 2
of his holy prophets, which have
been since the world began:
71 That we should be saved
from our enemies, and from the
hand of all that hate us;
72 To perform the mercy
promised to our fathers, and to
remember his holy covenant;
73 The oath which he swore
to our father Abraham,
74 That he would grant unto
us, that we being delivered out
of the hand of our enemies,
might serve him without fear,
in holiness and righteousness,
before him, all the days of
our life.

*“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
who is Christ the Lord.”*

~ Luke 2:11

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PRELUDE

The True Light

John 1:1 - 9

Pr Adriel Yeo

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. ⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. ⁹ The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Once again, we light the four candles of our Advent wreath, the candle of **Hope, Peace, Joy and Love**, remembering that in Jesus Christ we have a sure hope, everlasting peace, overflowing joy, and unfailing love.

(The lighting of the 4 candles)

Today we also light the centre candle, the **Christ** candle. The Christ candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless Lamb of God sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for His death; His death was for our birth! *“The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!’”* (John 1:29)

(The Christ candle is lighted by Wan Kum Tho and Janine Wan.)

Let us worship today and every day, celebrating the Lord Jesus, the light of the world!

GATHERING

Introit

Unto Us A Child Is Born!

From ‘A Special Kind of Love’ by John W Peterson

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given;
Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given.
A son is born, the Son of God is born!
He is born!

Call to Worship

Lynn Heng (Sanctuary)

Yii Zheng Wei (MPH)

Worship Leaders

Opening Hymn

Angels We Have Heard On High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

Chorus:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King!

Invocation Prayer

Welcome and Exchange of Peace

Hymns

O Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come, and behold Him
Born the King of angels

Chorus:

O come, let us adore Him

O come, let us adore Him

O come, let us adore Him

Christ the Lord

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

Sing, choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God
Glory in the highest

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

While shepherds watched
Their flocks by night
All seated on the ground
The angel of the Lord came down
And glory shone around

“Fear not,” said he, for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind
“Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and human kind”

“To you in David’s town this day
Is born of David’s line
The Saviour, who is Christ the Lord,
And this shall be the sign”

“The heavenly Babe you there shall find
To human view displayed
All humbly wrapped in swaddling bands
And in a manger laid”

Thus spoke the seraph and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising God who thus
Addressed their joyful song

“All glory be to God on high
And to the earth be peace
Good will to all from highest heaven
Begin and never cease!”

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing
“Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled”
Joyful, all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic hosts proclaim:
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Christ by highest heaven adored
Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time, behold Him come
Offspring of the virgin’s womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased in flesh with men to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel
Hark! The herald angels sing
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace
Hail the Son of righteousness
Light and life to all He brings
Risen with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by
Born that we no more may die
Born to raise us from the earth
Born to give us second birth
Hark! The herald angels sing
“Glory to the newborn King!”

Song Item

Majesty In A Manger

Joyful Voices

Oh, what mystery, oh, what a love
From heaven to Bethlehem, lavished on us
All who are searching come follow the star
There in the stable the hope of our hearts

Chorus:
Come and see Christ the King
His Majesty in a manger
Come adore Christ the Lord
His Majesty in a manger
His Majesty in a manger

He is our ransom and He is our song
Bow down before Him, Messiah has come
All of our longing and all of our fear
Silenced forever, for Jesus is here

THE WORD

Sermonette

Christmas Cantata

Excerpts from “Night of Miracles” by John W Peterson

Conductor: Mrs Simon Chan
Singers: Mae Heng, Kee Kirk Chin, Allan Lim,
Loh Shu Ching and Yap Shun Ling
Music: Khoo Hwi Min

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us
And we beheld His glory, and we beheld His glory
The glory as of the only begotten of the Father
Full of grace and truth

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field
Keeping watch over their flock by night
And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them!
And the glory of the Lord shone round about them
And they were sore afraid! And the angel said unto them

Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy
Which shall be to all people
For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
Which is Christ the Lord
A Saviour which is Christ the Lord
Christ the Lord!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:18 - 25

Janine Wan

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and

you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife,²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Amazing Christmas, Amazing Grace! Rev Kelvin Chen

Introduction

1. Christmas Was Unexpectedly Surprising (v.18)
2. Christmas Was Amazingly Miraculous (v.20)
3. Christmas Was Providentially Salvific (v.21)

Conclusion

RESPONSE

Song of Response

Your Grace Still Amazes Me

My faithful Father enduring Friend
Your tender mercy's like a river with no end
It overwhelms me covers my sin
Each time I come into Your presence
I stand in wonder once again

Chorus:

*Your grace still amazes me
Your love is still a mystery
Each day I fall on my knees
'Cause Your grace still amazes me
Your grace still amazes me*

O patient Savior You make me whole
You are the Author and the Healer of my soul
What can I give You Lord what can I say
I know there's no way to repay You
Only to offer You my praise

Bridge:
It's deeper it's wider
It's stronger it's higher
It's deeper it's wider
It's stronger it's higher
Than anything
My eyes can see

The Sacrament of Baptism

Rev Darryl Chan

1. Nathan Cheung Rui Yang
2. Faith Sofia Huan Tzi Hsuan
3. Xander Lum Xian Zhe
4. Anna Beth Ng En Rui
5. Timothy Toh Zhe Bin

Offering

A Christmas Like No Other

Celebrate Christmas in Singapore Theme Song 2020

Youtube link: <https://youtu.be/HApap0ioNYE>

Director/Producer: Nora Fong

Associate Producer: Tay Hui Luan

Lyrics: Joanna Theng

Music: Matthew and Christopher Theng

Singers: Uli Wong, Joanna, Matthew and Christopher Theng

This is not the Christmas we imagined
Never seen a year like this before
Some of us feel alone, some are far from home
Can't help feeling like we've been let down

Pre-Chorus:

But this season comes as a timely reminder
There's a joy that triumphs over the pain
Celebrating the birth of our Saviour
When you meet Him, you'll never be the same

Chorus:

What if it's not about the parties, or the decorated trees
What if it's not about the presents
Or the brightly lit up streets
If we only look around, there's love to be found
In little acts of love and hearts of glee
Maybe You're what Christmas means to me

Bridge:

In the cry of a newborn, in the eyes of a loved one
There's a kind of magic you can't deny
If you're feeling unworthy, unloved or unholy
You're the one He's searching for tonight

Christmas is not about the parties, or the decorated trees
Christmas is not about the presents
Or the brightly lit up streets
If we only look around, there's love to be found
In little acts of love and hearts of glee
Jesus, You're what Christmas means to me
That moment He finds a home in your heart
That's when Christmas really starts

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pr Dawn Tan

Announcements

SENDING

Closing Hymn

Joy To The World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns
Let men our songs employ
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as, the curse is found

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, and wonders, of His love

Benediction

Rev Darryl Chan

Choral Dismissal

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Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given.
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He is born!

Postlude

INFODESK

	25 December 2020	27 December 2020
Preacher		
	Rev Kelvin Chen	Eld Lee Soo Ann
Worship Leader		
	Lynn Heng (Sanctuary) Yii Zheng Wei (MPH)	Eld Jack Lum
Scripture Reader		
	Janine Wan	Lum E-Sean
Musicians		
	Diana Chou (Organist) Khoo Hwi Min (Pianist)	Benjamin Cher Timothy Goh Hannah Tan Grace Tsang
Backup Singers / Cantors		
	Choir Members	-
PA / LCD Projectionists		
	Sanctuary: PA – Nicholas Smith LCD – Benjamin Smith Conference Room: Mark David Escartin Gil Upper Room: Fong Yang Yang MPH: Joshua Chen	Sanctuary: PA - Zekeil Tay LCD - Audrey Tan Upper Room: Mark David Escartin Gil
Counting Supervisor		
	Eld Andrew Aw Chng Shih Kiat	Dn Ho Kuen Loon
Livestream Team		
	Livestream Coordinator: Dn Loh Shu Ching English Service: Dn Andrew Ong	Livestream Coordinator: Dn Loh Shu Ching English Service: Dn Andrew Ong

PSPC E-GIVING INSTRUCTIONS

PSPC has rolled out the option of collecting offerings electronically. To enable the Church Office to allocate your offerings to the right funds, please follow the details below when making your e-Offering.

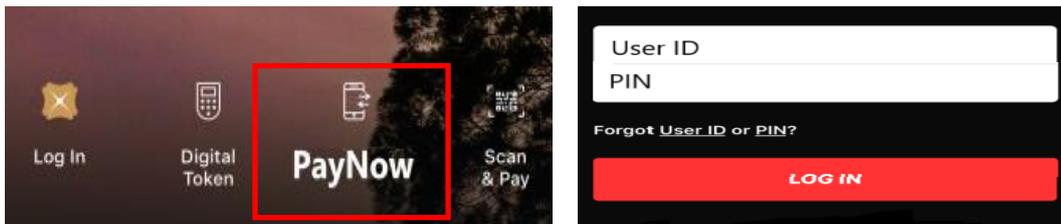
There are 3 Methods of e-Offering: Electronic Bank Transfer, PayNow via UEN number and PayNow via code in banking app. Choose the method that you are familiar with.

Method 1: Electronic Bank Transfer

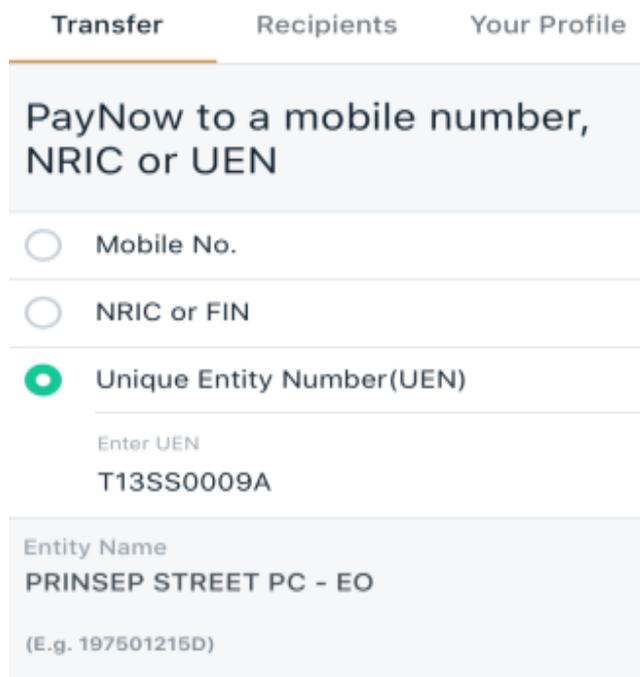
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Method 2: PayNow via UEN number

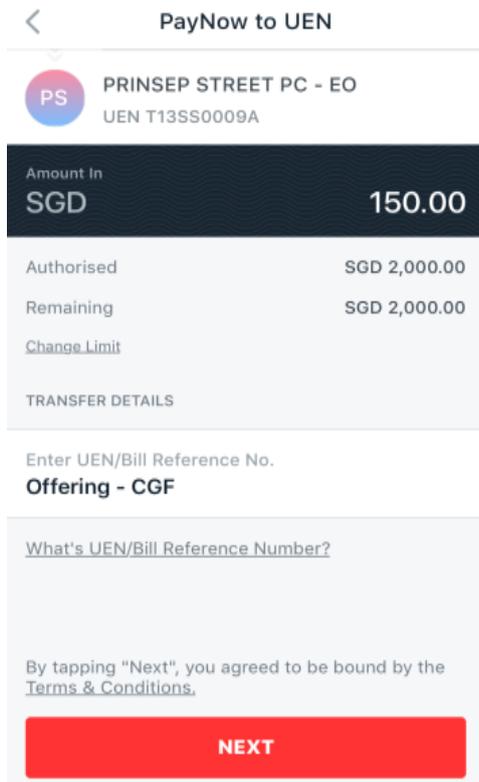
a) Select PayNow from your banking app and log in.



b) Select Unique Entity Number (UEN), input T13SS0009A and click “Next”.

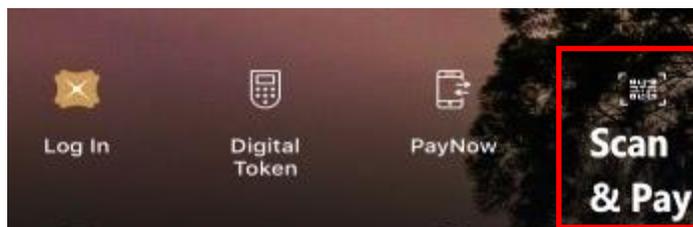


- c) Enter your offering amount and details of your offering under “Enter UEN/Bill Reference No” or “PayNow Ref No”. Click “Next” and “Transfer Now” after checking that the details and amount are correct.



Method 3: PayNow via Code in banking app

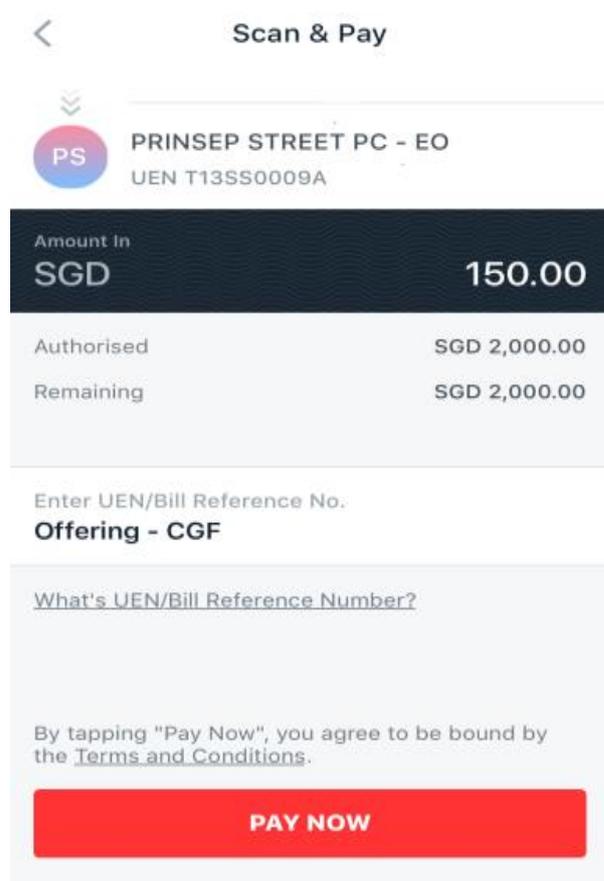
- a) Select Scan & Pay from your **banking app**.



- b) Scan the Code using your **banking app**.



- c) Enter your offering amount and Details of your offering under “Enter UEN/Bill Reference No” or “PayNow Ref No”. Click “Next” and “Transfer Now” after checking that the details and amount are correct.



For all methods, if you wish to direct your offering to a specific fund or recipient, please indicate the details below in the Bill Reference Number section.

Details to indicate in e-Offering	Type of offering
Offering CGF	Church General Fund
Offering CBF	Church Building Fund
Offering ASF	Anniversary Seminary Fund
Love gift <name of designated individual or family>	Full amount given directly to designated individual / family
Support <name of designated individual or family>	Contribute to 20% support via missionary organization e.g. SIM, OMF etc.
EPJM, Love in Action, Chiang Rai, Chiang Mai, Angel Tree etc	Designated Funds

In the event that no details are indicated, offering will be treated as contribution to Church General Fund. If no indication of love gift or support, amount will be treated as love gift to individual or family.

Cheques are still accepted via making it payable to “Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church” or “PSPC”. They can be mailed to PSPC at 77 Prinsep Street Singapore 188649 should the need arises.