



# Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church and Attadale Baptist Church



## Handover Service

### Order of Worship — 4 October 2015

**"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." 2 Timothy 2:2**

Prelude	Valerie Ong
Welcome & Call to Worship	Glen Lock
*Opening Hymn	<i>Immortal, Invisible</i>
*Invocation	
Scripture Reading	<i>Psalm 111</i>
Hymn and Choir	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>
Word from the Former Pastors	James Gibbon & Edward Paauwe
Word from the Director of the Baptist Union	Mark Wilson
Handover	Alan Tuckwell & Terence Lee
Prayer of Consecration	Edward Paauwe
Tithes & Offering	Terence Lee
*† <i>Doxology</i> & Offertory Prayer	
Scripture Reading	<i>Psalm 87</i>
Hymn	<i>O Breath of Life</i>
Pastoral Prayer	Mark Chen
Sermon	<i>"The Glorious Church of God"</i>
*Closing Hymn	<i>Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken</i>
*Benediction & †† <i>Gloria Patri</i>	
Silent Prayer & Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>
Announcements	<i>*Congregation standing</i>

†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.

††Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be:  
World without end. Amen.

Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church meets every Sunday at 10:00 am  
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# 1. Immortal, Invisible

*Walter Chalmers Smith, St Denio*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

## Psalm 111

1 Praise ye the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation. 2 The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein. 3 His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever. 4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. 5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant. 6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen. 7 The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his commandments are sure. 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness. 9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name. 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.

## 2. The Church's One Foundation

*Samuel J. Stone, Aurelia*

*Choir:*

The Church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word:  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her,  
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,  
Yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With every grace endued.

*Congregation & Choir:*

'Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore;  
Till with the vision glorious  
Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious  
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union  
With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with Thee.

## Psalm 87

1 His foundation is in the holy mountains. 2 The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. 3 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. Selah. 4 I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this man was born there. 5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her. 6 The Lord shall count, when he writeth up the people, that this man was born there. Selah. 7 As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there: all my springs are in thee.

### **3. O Breath of Life**

*Bessie Porter Head, Coronado*

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us,  
Revive Thy church with life and power;  
O Breath of life, come, cleanse, renew us,  
And fit Thy church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,  
Till humbly we confess our need;  
Then in Thy tenderness remake us,  
Revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of love, come breathe within us,  
Renewing thought and will and heart;  
Come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,  
Revive Thy church in every part.

O Heart of Christ, once broken for us,  
'Tis there we find our strength and rest;  
Our broken, contrite hearts now solace,  
And let Thy waiting church be blest.

Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating  
While harvest fields are vast and white?  
Revive, us Lord, the world is waiting,  
Equip Thy church to spread the light.

## The Glorious Church of God

### *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

God's people - his church - are special to him. They are a glorious people. Sometimes we don't think that - there are after all so many problems.

And in some parts of the world, the church is so weak and small. Yet God thinks that it is glorious.

### *God's City*

In Psalm 87, God's people are described as a glorious city. It is called Zion, which of old, was Jerusalem, the city of David.

It is glorious because it has a glorious foundation. God himself laid the foundation of Zion. *"His foundation is in the holy mountains."*

And that foundation is Christ! Isaiah 28:16 says, *"Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste."*

Thus, the city spoken of here is not physical. While Christ will rule from Jerusalem one day, the Psalm refers to is much more than that.

Zion refers to all the people of God. Hebrews 12:22-23 says, *"But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect."*

Because it is his city, He loves it. *"The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob."* God may be benevolent to all, he especially loves his people.

Though we are sinful and inglorious, we are special because of Christ.

### *God's City Is an International City*

It is also glorious because it is an international city of Jews & Gentiles.

It comprises those who were once God's enemies. It has Egyptians (Rahab) who enslaved Israel and Babylonians who exiled the Jews.

Hence, it comprises those who were once enemies of one another.

It is also comprised of those who are born into the people of God. There are great blessings being born into a Christian family. *"This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her."*

### *God's City Is a Joyful City*

*"As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there: all my springs are in thee."*

The Psalmist see the citizens rejoicing at some festival. Where God is, there must be joy.

But the special cause of joy is what God has done - He has reconciled them to himself by Christ, and he has reconciled them to each other.

Different people, from different cultures, from different backgrounds, who were enemies, are now part of God's kingdom. That's why we rejoice.

When we trust in Christ as our savior, we join a glorious city, we become the special people of God.

Though we may be different from each other, though we may be so sinful, God loves us because Christ has saved us.

We can love one another as God as loved us. And when we love one another, will the world know that we are the disciples of Christ.

May the Lord continue to build us up as his people, and may we be built up by him as his people. ~ Pastor

## 4. Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

*John Newton, Austria*

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God!  
He, whose Word cannot be broken, formed thee for His own abode.  
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See! the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love;  
Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove:  
Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear!  
For a glory and a covering showing that the Lord is near.  
Thus deriving from our banner light by night and shade by day;  
Safe they feed upon the manna which He gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in the Redeemer's blood!  
Jesus, whom their souls rely on, makes them kings and priests to God.  
'Tis His love His people raises, over self to reign as kings,  
And as priests, His solemn praises each for a thank offering brings.

Savior, if of Zion's city, I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name.  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

# **Activities at Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church**

## **Worship Service and Sunday School**

Every Lord's Day at 10:00 am

## **Adult Bible Class and Catechism Class**

Every Lord's Day at 9:00 am

## **Lord's Supper**

Every first Lord's Day of the month

## **Prayer Meeting**

Every Friday at 7:45 pm

## **Junior Fellowship**

Every Friday at 7:45 pm during school term

## **Young People's Group**

Every 3rd Saturday at 4:30 pm

## **Men's Bible Study**

Every 2nd Saturday at 8:00 pm

## **Ladies' Bible Study**

Every 4th Saturday at 7:30 pm

## **Retirees' Bible Study**

Every last Tuesday at 10:30 am

## **Attadale Craft Group**

Every Wednesday at 10:00 am during school term

## **Attadale Friendship Group**

Every 3rd Thursday at 9:30 am

# Worship Service Roster

Service	This Week (4.10.15)	Next Week (11.10.15)
Speaker	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Worship Leader	Glen Lock	Mark Chen
Pianist	Valerie Ong	Elizabeth Huang
Welcomers	Ian & Merrill Read	Danny & Susie Tan
Offering Stewards	Vincent Chiu, Yen Fye Yap	Kim Leow, David Lim
Usher	Hannah Chiang	August Ng
Kitchen Duties	Jenni Budiman*, Eva Chiu, Jesslyn Leow	Helen Wong*, Jemima Ng, Adeline Ng
<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	<i>9 October 2015</i>	<i>16 October 2015</i>
Speaker	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Chairperson	Raymond Woo	Ken Chong
Pianist	Ian Tay	Valerie Ong

## Announcements

1. A warm welcome to all worshipers. May God richly bless you. Please stay behind after the service for fellowship and tea.
2. Next week's message: "How to Press On as a Christian" (Hebrews 10:32-39).
3. We will be celebrating Lord's Supper next Lord's Day. Please bring a dish to share at the fellowship lunch.
4. Sunday School teachers for the month of October are: Eileen Tay, Sandy Chua, Stephanie Lim, Jenni Budiman, Aliza Chiu, Lisa Lim; Evelyn Lee, Carmel Sriharan, Dorcas Pang; Joyce Ng; Sandra Tan; David Ong; Jerome Ng; May Poon. Singspiration Leader: Eugene Lim. Pianist: Valerie Ong.
5. VBS 2015 - "Jesus: Our Prophet, Priest, and King" (5-7 Oct, 9:00 am - 12:15 pm). Volunteers needed. Contact Valerie at 0422 407 338.
6. Daily Manna and Daily Manna Junior (Oct-Dec) are available in the foyer.

Appointments for the Week	Last Lord's Day Tithes & Offering, & Attendance
M-W 9:00 am VBS	<i>General Fund - \$2,635.50. Missions Fund - \$300.00. Building Fund - \$155.00 (#295 - \$100.00, #296 - \$55.00). Total Tithes &amp; Offering - \$3,090.50. Attendance - 127.</i>
FRI 7:45 pm Prayer Meeting	
SAT 8:00 pm Men's Bible Study	
SUN 9:00 am Adult Bible Class & Catechism	
10:00 am Worship & Sunday School	

Building Fund to Date	
Starting Fund	\$54,185.68
Pledges Collected	\$255,605.00
Non-Pledged Gifts	\$277,242.36
Loans Received	\$430,000.00
<i>Subtotal Building Fund</i>	<i>\$1,017,033.04</i>
<i>Payment</i>	<i>\$1,001,735.85</i>
<i>Outstanding Pledges</i>	<i>\$36,115.00</i>
<i>Grand Total</i>	<i>\$51,412.19</i>
Building Fund Account:	
Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church (Westpac Bank, Applecross)	
BSB: 036-031 Acct: 316969	
SWIFT: WPACAU2S	

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