



Westside Baptist Church

Bulletin

December 3, 2023

During worship

- Be still and prepare your heart for worship.
- Please take care of your personal belongings to avoid theft.

Offering

- Welcome to donate via E-transfer, email: westsidebaptistoffering@gmail.com
- To donate by cash or cheque, please use an offering envelope and put it into the offering bag during worship.
- When making a donation, please indicate the donation envelope number and the full legal name. The offering envelope number can be obtained from the church office.

Notes to CitRUs parents

- The enrollment age for CitRUs Children's Ministry starts from age 3; one parent can accompany children under 3 to participate in worship in Room B.
- Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 11:30 am at Room E & F.
- After class, please supervise the children who have been picked up from the classroom.

Parking

- The upstairs parking lot (Parking Lot 1) is designated for new comers, people with reduced mobility, the elderly and families with young children. Parents whose children are already enrolled in CitRUs, please use other parking lots or street parking.
- Additional parking spaces are available at 8508 Ash Street (Parking Lot 3) and #1-8765 Ash Street (Parking Lot 4) on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Maps are available in the foyer.
- For the safety of the congregation, please do not double park.
- When parking in the outdoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2), please be careful not to block the fire escape and keep a distance of 3 feet from the building's exterior wall so that the fire door can be fully opened.
- **To be considerate of your neighbors, please do not park outside the residential area.**
- The indoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2) will be closed at 1:00 pm on Sundays. If you exceed the time limit, you will have to wait until 10:00 am on Tuesday morning to collect your vehicle.

Announcements

- We would like to extend our warm welcome to today's guest speaker, Pastor Patrick Kwok. Pastor Patrick served as a missionary in China for 12 years.
- **EM prayer meetings** are held every Sunday at 10:30 am at Room D (the library). All are encouraged and welcome to attend.
- **Monthly Bulletin** including the summary of deacon board meeting and the financial report have already posted on the bulletin board and the church website. Please check out for important notices.
- We will be **Christmas carolling** at Marine Gateway on December 24 between 1:00 - 2:00pm! We hope to tell our neighbourhood the good news of the birth of our Saviour Jesus through our music. Join us if you are a Christian! Practice date will be on December 17 between 2:30-4:00pm at church. For details and registration, please visit universe.com/westside
- The church will hold a **Clothing Drive fundraiser**, and the proceeds will be donated to UNICEF to provide humanitarian support to children caught in the Gaza crisis. Congregants can place donated clothing in Room G downstairs after services on December 24 and 31. Please put clean and resalable clothing into 26"x36" plastic bags. Lost and found items at the backstage will also be donated. Please check if there is any item on the shelf that is belong to you before December 31.
- The church planned to have a **baptismal and transfer of membership worship service** on December 25 (Monday) between 10am and 12 noon.
- The church will hold a joint worship service at 10 a.m. on December 31. After the service, there will be a **farewell luncheon for Pastor Gladys** priced at \$20 per adult, \$10 per child aged 4-10, and free for 3 and under. Tickets will be on sale from today to December 17 between 11:15am and 11:45am. Online registration link: <https://forms.gle/KKAt4AuHq4bTwVqYA>
On the day of the luncheon, please bring your own dinnerware & cutlery!





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- Speaker: Pastor Patrick Kwok
- Scripture: [Luke 1:46-55](#)

Grow + Overflow: Overflow with Hope

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Lift Up the Humble

He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. Luke 1:52

Sermon Outline

Introduction

- Understanding the Humble - Exploring humility from societal, cultural, and biblical perspectives.

Content

- Mary’s expression of worship and the personal nature of her faith.

- Mary’s acknowledgment of her humble state and the significance of God’s intervention in her life

- God’s mercy, justice, and the subversion and reversal of societal norms.

My Reflection

- What did God tell me through the message today?



- God’s faithfulness to Israel.

Our Reflection

- How does our society’s view of humility differ from the biblical perspective?
- Can you share a personal experience where embracing humility led to a deeper understanding or experience of God’s grace?
- How does the humility demonstrated by Mary challenge our values and behaviours?

Gospel Reality

- What and for whom does the Magnificat advocate? Discuss the practical impact of the Magnificat on social justice, transitional life, and cultural integration.

Conclusion

- The key message of the Magnificat is a reminder of God’s faithfulness and the gospel’s transformative power.

My Prayer Response

- Write down your responsive prayer for God’s word today.

My Action Response

- What changes will I make in response to God’s word today?

