



諾定咸華人基督教會

Nottingham Chinese Christian Church

2024 Church Theme:

Receiving the Vision, Living out the Mission

1st Dec	Advent Combined Service 2pm
Title	A vision from the King's covenant
Scripture	Jeremiah 33:14-18
Speaker	Rev. Fred Kin Fai Chau

8th Dec	English Service 1pm	Chinese Service 2:45pm
Title	Grow in love and understanding	Always with you
Scripture	Philippians 1:2-11	Genesis 39:1-23
Speaker	Rev. Francis Luckcock	Rev. Siu Yung Wong

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and greetings to everyone, especially to newcomers who are with us for the first time. We are happy to welcome you to our services, meeting together in person as the family of Christ.

Please visit and help yourselves to the reading materials on the bookshelves at the back of the hall. You may take home to read or to distribute to friends and families. All are FREE!

Advent starts Today!

'The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.' (Isa 9:2) Advent is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time (churchofengland.org).

Quarterly Church Meeting – 17th November – Summary

Below is a summary of what was reported last Sunday, for your information and prayers.

- We are making good progress in recruiting a potential church minister to support our English and youth ministry.
- Yearly theme for 2025: 'Pursuing spiritual growth, experiencing renewal through prayer'.
- Finance summary for last quarter:

Income £35,877

Expenditure £18,287

Surplus £17,590

Seating Arrangements – Reminder!

Praise the Lord who keeps adding numbers to NCCC. However, this has led to most services, especially the combined services, nearly reaching capacity. To help improve the situation and to minimise disruption during the service, we request the congregation (i) to first occupy seats in the front rows; and (ii) to sit in the middle of a row first and not leave any empty seats in between.

Joint Christmas Gathering with WBBC – Saturday 21st December 5-8pm – Registration Closes TODAY!

As the first formal event jointly organised by NCCC and WBBC, it will provide an opportunity for both congregations to get to know one another. The evening will include Christmas celebration activities and dinner. Please book your place via

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gcH_b16mC_puR0dvYITbrnE-2XbUrix15XCInfsXrE/edit and registration closes TODAY. As in

previous years, we would like you to help prepare food for the event.

For the purpose of catering coordination, please contact Pauline if you can help, and/or if you need assistance to register.

An Opportunity to Join a Traditional Carol Service in a Cathedral!

Date/Time	Event	Host	Venue	Details
Thursday 5 th December 7pm	Festival of Lessons and Carols	University of Nottingham Chaplaincy	St Mary's Church, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN	Traditional carol service [Free entry] – Any queries please contact Rev Chau or Kwok Leung

Special Arrangements for Sunday Services in December

Please pay attention to the arrangements below and note that, unless otherwise stated, all services start **at 2pm** at WBBC.

Date/Time	Service	Special features
8 th December	Separate English (1pm) and Chinese (2:45pm) services as normal	
15 th December	Combined Carol Service	All-age service led by Sunday School
22 nd December	Combined Christmas Service	Evangelistic theme – Please invite friends and families!
29 th December	Combined End-of-Year Thanksgiving Service	

Hymn of the Month

Dec's hymn is "O Holy Night"

English:

(1) https://youtu.be/jofQNawqhh0?si=Cyk0fcAe_10LRK3c

(2) https://youtu.be/wJgJVF7pSBQ?si=aiPb_6zEqKvK2OVN

Mandarin: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E1-jfWrx9w>

Lyrics in Mandarin:

<http://www.christianstudy.com/data/hymns/text/c6650.html>

Cantonese demo, used with permission:

<https://youtu.be/2iSbXiWy2M0>

**Mandarin Ministry in Nottingham – Partnership with COCM
Nottingham Chinese Gospel Church, at St Mary’s Church,
Wollaton Hall Drive, Lenton, Nottingham NG8 1AF**

COCM has a church plant to support the need of Mandarin ministry in Nottingham and nearby region. They have regular Sunday service and fellowship gatherings. If you have friends, colleagues or families who are interested to attend, please invite them. For details, please visit www.nottinghamcgc.org.uk

PRAYER NEEDS



- ❖ We ask for the Lord’s mercy upon those who are caught up in the conflicts globally, including those in the Middle East and in Ukraine. Please pray for the Christian communities there so that they may be able to show compassion and be good witnesses at this challenging time.
- ❖ We commit our church development plan to the Lord! Please pray for the process of transition to the CIO, and the search and recruitment of additional church ministers to support/develop the English/youth and Chinese ministries.
- ❖ As Advent starts today, may the Lord remind us of our mission to share the gospel of peace! Please pray for all those whom we are planning to invite to various Christmas events!

If you would like to post any notice or prayer items, please contact the church administrator at enquiries@nottinghamccc.org.uk by **Monday evening** for inclusion in the following week’s bulletin.

CHURCH OFFERINGS – METHODS OF GIFTING

In addition to making your offerings during Sunday services, for convenience, you can also use online bank transfer for the general fund, details as follows:

**Sort code: 40-35-18, HSBC Account No: 15373468, Name:
Nottingham Chinese Christian Church**

GIFT OFFERINGS (as collected during Sunday services)

From Combined Holy Communion Service (24th Nov)
General Fund £220.03
T Prill Mission £150.57

UK tax payers can donate to NCCC using Gift Aid. The church will then be able to claim 25% of your donation from HM Revenue & Customs. This may also be counted towards the personal allowance for your income tax. Complete a form obtainable from the Treasurer for more details.

NCCC website, Facebook Page and YouTube channel

Please visit the website www.nottinghamccc.org.uk where you can access information about the church. All the latest news can be found on our Facebook page.

Herald UK Newspaper

You can view the newspaper online at www.herald-uk.org

Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday Service	Date	Time	Location
Combined Service & Holy Communion	First Sunday of the month	2:00pm	West Bridgford Baptist Church, Melton Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7NF
English Service	All Sundays except first Sunday of the month	1:00pm	
Chinese Service		2:45pm	

Fellowship Groups

We welcome adults to join one of these groups below for study and discussion of the applications of Scripture, prayers and some social activities. Please contact the coordinators on the list for details.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	1100-1230 Virtual [Mandarin] Rev Chau		1100-1230 [Cantonese] Fung Chi Sheung		
Afternoon		1300-1500 St Nic's Tower room [Cantonese] Wing Fong Tang			1400-1600 St Andrew's [1 st and 3 rd Saturdays] [Cantonese] Simon Cheung
Evening	2000-2130 Zoom [twice a month; flexible day] [English] Wai Yee Chan		1930-2130 Beeston Free Student fellowship [Cantonese/ English] Rev Chau	1930-2130 West Bridgford Baptist [1 st and 3 rd Fridays] [Cantonese] Erica Chau and Kevin Yeung	

CONTACT DETAILS

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