Date: 9 April 2023 Speaker: Rev Clement Chew Topic: If Ye Be Risen With Christ! Text: Colossians 3:1-11

- 1. We would have no hope if Christ did not rise from the dead. Because the Galatian Christians are true believers, they will rise with Christ.
- 2. Christ has risen. A dead Saviour is no Saviour, with no power to save, no power to overcome sin and the grave. Some deny Christ's resurrection (see Matthew 28:11-15). His resurrection is vital and encouraging to us. It means we can have a relationship and fellowship with Christ.
- 3. We will be risen with Christ (v4). Our bodies are corruptible. Our future resurrection in the glorified body is assured (see 1 Corinthians 15:50-53, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). One day, the Lord will give us an incorruptible body. This is a promise of the faithful Lord. Fully trust in His promises, and your heart shall be at peace.
- 4. We are now risen with Christ. We have new life in Christ. Once we repent and receive Christ as our Saviour, we become possessors of eternal life. A Christian has heavenly affections (v2). There is also a devotion to holy living (v5-11). Be holy as how God is holy. That is one who is risen with Christ. Let us live for Christ.

Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed Caroline M. Noel - 1870