

## **KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 4<sup>th</sup> October (KEC SERVICE - Hybrid )**

Please take note that this Sunday's service begins at **8.30am**, not 9am.

KIDS VIDEO will be made available by 8am. If you are sad or lonely or from the wrong part of town, are you welcome in God's Kingdom? Yes! The Bible shows us that Jesus wants everyone to know they are loved by God and welcome in his Kingdom forever.

Direct link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aISA4hrsO6I>

You can access the livestream at [https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live\\_videos/](https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live_videos/)

*8.30am – Livestream starts*

*Livestream link should be available by 8.25am latest.*

### **1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Isaiah 50:4-10**

### **2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Alison Nicholas):**

**SONG 1: I am a new creation**

**SONG 2: And can it be**

### **3. Time of Reflection and Confession**

**Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Creator of everything, Judge of everyone,  
We admit that we have sinned against you  
In thought, speech and action,  
And deserve your just punishment.  
We truly repent and are sorry for what we have done.  
Have mercy on us, merciful Father.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,  
Forgive us all that is past,  
And enable us to serve and please you in a fresh way,  
To the glory of your name. Amen.**

<sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.<sup>9</sup> Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

– Romans 5:8-9

### **4. The Lord's Supper**

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my

body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”<sup>25</sup> In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”<sup>26</sup> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

## 5. Prayers

- World
- Nation
- Church

## 6. Bible reading: Romans 8:1-4

**8** Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,<sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you<sup>Ⓜ</sup> free from the law of sin and death.<sup>3</sup> For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh,<sup>Ⓜ</sup> God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.<sup>Ⓜ</sup> And so he condemned sin in the flesh,<sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

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### **SERMON OUTLINE: Secured by Christ (Romans 8:1-4)**

Fragile

Becoming less fragile? But...

Romans 8 offers us security as believers who often feel fragile living for Jesus in a fallen world

What actually secures the foundations for the Christian life? How can we fragile people remain steadfast in living for Jesus?

#### **1. Because Christ has secured our status (v1, 3)**

“Therefore”

Our *previous* status

God has every reason and justification to hold us accountable

“in Adam”

We sin because we are sinners

“Now”

Our *present* status

A turning point

Present status in Christ

“There is now no condemnation”

God holds absolutely nothing against you

Cannot change

As long as one thing is true

“Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the gospel.” (WSC)

How is this made possible?

The law is a good thing (7:12)

The law is powerless

“in the likeness of sinful flesh”

Not “in sinful flesh”

Not “in the likeness of flesh”

The great exchange

Our status of no condemnation is secured by a loving substitution

How should this impact our lives today?

a) We should turn to Christ, not the law

b) We can not be disheartened in times of suffering

## **2. Because the Spirit has liberated us to live (v2, 4)**

Not just about a change in status, but about a breaking of power

The gospel = not just an application form

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Gravity & the hang-glider

Don't turn to the law either to liberate us to live!

Our Christian life rests simply on the outworking of the gospel

## ANOUNCEMENTS

- Connect cards
- AGM (Sunday 11 Oct, after service ends, Conference Room 1)
- Hot Topics Webinars, every Wednesday this month 4.30-5.45pm Malaysian time.  
This week: True Friendship with Vaughan Roberts  
More info here: <https://www.singlemindedconference.com/hot-topics-2020>
- Christianity Explored Online, starting Oct 29  
(<https://bemkec.my/christianity-explored/>)
- Giving
- Prayer Meeting (on Zoom this week)

## BENEDICTION

<sup>12</sup> May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. <sup>13</sup> May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

- 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13