### **About AICS**

The Asian Institute of Calvin Studies (AICS) was established by The Presbyterian Church in Singapore (PCS) to deepen the understanding and appreciation of Presbyterian heritage and the theological legacy of John Calvin and the Reformers. Our mission is to promote rigorous research, equip church leaders and members, foster collaboration, and engage in meaningful theological discourse in Singapore and beyond. In line with its mission, AICS has established the "Know Your Presbyterian Heritage" course as a denominational training module for all Presbyterian members and leaders.

# "Know Your Presbyterian Heritage"

The key topics covered in the course are as follows:

### 1. History of Presbyterianism

- The Reformation: Exploring the theological and historical significance of the Protestant Reformation.
- Geneva and Calvin: Understanding John Calvin's influence on Reformed theology and church governance.
- History of PCS: Tracing the development and growth of The Presbyterian Church in Singapore.

# 2. Presbyterian Theology

- The Trinity: Examining the foundational doctrine of the Christian faith.
- Soteriology: Understanding salvation through the lens of Reformed theology.
- Ecclesiology: Exploring the nature, structure, and purpose of the Church.

## 3. Worship in the Reformed Tradition

- The Theology of Worship: Understanding worship as a response to God's grace.
- Liturgy in Presbyterian Worship: Examining traditional and contemporary liturgical practices.
- The Word in Worship: Exploring the role of Scripture in worship.

#### 4. Presbyterian Spirituality

- Christian Community: Living out faith within the body of Christ.
- The Word and Devotion: Engaging with Scripture for spiritual growth.
- The Role of Prayer: Strengthening personal and corporate prayer life.

### 5. Church Polity and Governance

- Denominational Structure: Understanding how the Presbyterian Church functions.
- Church Governance: Exploring the roles of elders, deacons, and congregational leadership.
- Global Fellowship: Connecting with the broader Presbyterian and Reformed community worldwide.

#### 6. Presbyterian Missions

- - The Mandate for Missions: Understanding the biblical foundation for mission work.
- - Mission Strategies: Developing effective approaches for local and global outreach.
- Engaging in Mission Fields: Learning from mission initiatives in Singapore and beyond.

## **Course Schedule**

The course schedule is offered on a variety of formats, depending on each cycle: Either (a) 3 Saturdays from 1.00 to 4.30 pm; or (b) 6 weekday sessions of 1.5 hours each; or (c) a mixture of both weekday and weekend sessions. This is to suit the schedule of different instructors and course participants.

The training will be held at the AICS training centre at One Holland Village (see below). Please refer to the details in the publicity materials when the course is offered.

#### Who Should Attend?

- Pastors, preachers, and ministry leaders seeking a deeper understanding of Reformed theology.
- Elders and deacons responsible for church governance and leadership.
- Church members and worshippers interested in theological study.

# Why Choose AICS?

- Rooted in the rich theological tradition of the Westminster Confession of Faith
- Equipping leaders with a comprehensive understanding of Presbyterian faith and practice.
- Offering courses designed for real-world ministry applications.
- Providing opportunities for engagement and networking with Presbyterian leaders in Singapore and globally.

### Join Us Today!

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