



ST. ELIZABETH'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH
聖公會頌主堂

Sunday, October 18, 2020
FaithWorks Sunday,
20th Sunday After Pentecost
Morning Prayer Service

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant: **Fr. Jim Woolley** Worship Leader: **Paul**

Preacher: **Peter Mentis – FaithWorks Video**

Host: **Benjamin**

Reader: **Belle**

Intercessor: **Fenella**

Introduction before starting service – Paul

We invite parishioners joining the live online service to join in on responses as you would in regular worship, but please note that all will be muted except for those scheduled to serve in the worship. This service will be recorded and subsequently posted to our website.

Opening Sentence (P. 386) – Paul

Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life.

See Philippians 2:15, 16

The Peace (P.192) – Fr. Jim

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Grace (P.185) – Fr. Jim

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Confession (P.45) – Paul

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Absolution (P.46) – Fr. Jim

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

A Reading from James 2:14-26 – Belle

Reader: ***Faith without Works Is Dead***

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill’, and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷ So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

¹⁸ But someone will say, ‘You have faith and I have works.’ Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith. ¹⁹ You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder. ²⁰ Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith without works is barren? ²¹ Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? ²² You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. ²³ Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, ‘Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness’, and he was called the friend of God. ²⁴ You see that a person is

justified by works and not by faith alone. ²⁵ Likewise, was not Rahab the prostitute also justified by works when she welcomed the messengers and sent them out by another road? ²⁶ For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – *I Love to Tell the Story vs 1, 3, 4 (HUP#582)*

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

3. I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.
(Refrain)

4. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.
(Refrain)

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Gospel Matthew 22:15-22 – Fr. Jim

Reader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *John*.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader: ***The Question about Paying Taxes***

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' ²¹ They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' ²² When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon – Peter Mentis – FaithWorks Video

The Apostles' Creed (P.52) – Paul

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and
born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day
he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at
the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Prayers of the People (P.113 Litany 4) – Fenella

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Rev. Maria Ling's her transition to St. E, church reopening

Anglican: The Episcopal Church - The Most Revd Michael Curry

Diocesan: FaithWorks, Bishop's Committee on Healing Ministries,
Rev. Canon Jennifer Reid

Infirm: Esther Chen, Fung Tai Chan (Ophelia Chiu's mother)

Condolences: Yuk Jun Tse (Barby Choi's mother)

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

Intercessor: In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying,
"Lord, hear and have mercy."

Intercessor: We pray for all who confess the name of Christ: fill us with
the power of your Holy Spirit.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: We pray for those whose lives are bound in mutual love,
and for those who live in celibacy: be their joy and their
strength.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: For all in danger, for those who are far from home,
prisoners, exiles, victims of oppression: grant them your
salvation.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: For all who are facing trials and difficulties, for those who
are sick, and those who are dying: show them your
kindness and mercy.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: We pray for one another: may we always be united in
service and love.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: We pray to be forgiven our sins and set free from all
hardship, distress, want, war, and injustice.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: May we discover new and just ways of sharing the goods of
the earth, struggling against exploitation, greed, or lack of
concern: may we all live by the abundance of your mercies
and find joy together.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Intercessor: May we be strengthened by our communion with all Christ's saints.

People: **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Collect of the Day (P. 387) – Fenella

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty and everliving God,
increase in us your gift of faith,
that forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to what is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (P.54) – Fr. Jim

Celebrant: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing (P.683 ii) – Fr. Jim

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

Announcements

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Dismissal – Paul

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Next Sunday Oct 25 Roster

Preacher: **Fr. Jim Woolley**

Worship Leader: **Fenella**

Host: **Terence**

Reader & Intercessor: **Carol**

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