

Friday, December 25, 2020 Christmas Day Joint Online Holy Communion Service

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant & Preacher: **Rev. Maria** Lay Reader: **Wilson Loo** Reader: **Margaret Loo** PP⁻ Host: **Paul Seto**

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Introduction before starting service – Wilson Loo

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. 275) – Wilson Loo

I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:10–11

Processional Hymn – O Come All Ye Faithful

 O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
 O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
 Come and behold Him, born the King of angels; *Refrain:*
 O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

 God of God, Light of Light

 Lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb;
 Very God, begotten, not created: (*Refrain*)
 Cinc. chains of angels, sing in conduction

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, in the highest; *(Refrain)*

4. Yea Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning.

Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; (*Refrain*)

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Grace (P.185) – Rev. Maria Ling

- 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.

The Peace (P.192) – Rev. Maria Ling

- Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- People: And also with you.

<Please greet each other in the name of Christ>

Gloria – Wilson Loo

Leader: Glory to God in the highest, All: and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day (P. 268) - Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God,

you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored our human nature. May we share the divine life of your Son Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to share our humanity, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from Titus 3:4-7 – Margaret Loo

Reader:

⁴ But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. ⁶ This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, ⁷ so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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

Choir Anthem – Angels We Have Heard on High

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Gospel Luke 2:1-20 – Rev. Maria Ling

- Reader: The Lord be with you.
- People: And also with you.
- Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke*.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Birth of Jesus

¹ In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ² This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³ All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴ Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵ He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

The Shepherds and the Angels

⁸ In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹ to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. Reader: The Gospel of Christ. People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon – Rev. Maria Ling (Interpreter: Joel Chiu) Special Hymn – Star Child

> Star-Child, earth-Child, go-between of God, love Child, Christ Child, heaven's lightning rod: *Refrain:* This year, this year let the day arrive when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

2. Street child, beat child, no place left to go, hurt child, used child no one wants to know: (*Refrain*)

3. Grown child, old child, memory full of years, sad child, lost child, story told in tears: (*Refrain*)

4. Spared child, spoiled child, having, wanting more, wise child, faith child knowing joy in store: (*Refrain*)

5. Hope-for-peace Child, God's stupendous sign, down-to-earth Child, Star of stars that shine: (*Refrain*)

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The Apostles' Creed (P.189) - Wilson Loo

Leader:	Let us confess the faith of our baptism, 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.120 Litany 13 Incarnation) – Grace Liu

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Rev. Maria Ling's transition to St. E, 2021 ministry planning Anglican: Peace of Jerusalem and the People of Bethlehem Diocesan:

Infirm: Esther Chen, Susan Xu's mother Dian-Lan Feng

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

Intercessor: In joy and humility let us pray to the creator of the universe, saying, "Lord, grant us peace."

- Intercessor: By the good news of our salvation brought to Mary by the angel, hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.

Intercessor: By the mystery of the Word made flesh, hear us, O Lord.

People: Lord, grant us peace.

- Intercessor: By the birth in time of the timeless Son of God, hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.
- Intercessor: By the manifestation of the King of glory to the shepherds and magi, hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.
- Intercessor: By the submission of the maker of the world to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.
- Intercessor: By the baptism of the Son of God in the river Jordan, hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.
- Intercessor: Grant that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; hear us, O Lord.
- People: Lord, grant us peace.

Intercessor: Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Confession (P.191) – Wilson Loo

- Leader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.
- 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.192) – Rev. Maria Ling

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.

Offertory

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Offertory Hymn – O Little Town of Bethlehem (vs 1,2,3,5)

1. O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by; Yet in thy dark streets shineth, the ever-lasting Light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

2. For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given!
 So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven.
 No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,
 Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.

5. O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray;Cast out our sin and enter in; Be born in us today.We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings tell;O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

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Prayer over the Gifts (P.275) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ has reconciled us to you. May all we offer you today renew us as members of your household. We ask this in his name.

All: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 2 (P.196-7)

– Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

> By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

- All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
- Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;

who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying,

"Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (P.211) - Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread (P.213 #6 Incarnation)

– Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world. All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

The Communion

Due to current health and safety measures, only the consecrated bread will be distributed to communicants. Communicants must wear masks and come forward in a physically distanced manner following the floor markings. Communicants receive the host while still wearing a mask. They will stop at a two metre distance from the communion minister, hear the words, "The body of Christ..." and respond with "Amen". Then move forward to receive the wafer in their hand. They then move away (two metres) from the communion minister, stop to remove their mask, and consume the host. The communicant will replace their mask and then clean their hands with hand sanitizer made available there before returning to their seat.

We invite parishioners joining the live online service to receive the spiritual communion by saying the following prayer while those at church receive the physical communion.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

People: Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you.

Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come.

Amen.

Communion Hymn – Silent Night

Hymns of Universal Praise #100

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Prayer after Communion (P.276) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Father of all,

the child born for us is the Saviour of the world. May he who made us your children welcome us into your kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you now and for ever. People: **Amen.**

Doxology (P.214) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing (P.683 ii) - Rev. Maria Ling

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 – Fenella Chiu & Chivas Chu <u>https://www.stechurch.com/announcements</u>

Dismissal – Wilson Loo

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn – Joy to the World

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
 Let earth receive her King;
 Let every heart prepare Him room,
 And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
 And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns:Let men their songs employ;While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plainsRepeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,Nor thorns infest the ground;He comes to make His blessings flowFar as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,Far as, far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,And makes the nations proveThe glories of his righteousness,And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love,And wonders, wonders of His love.

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Next Sunday Dec 27 9am

Mandarin Online Morning Prayer Service Roster

Preacher: Rev. Zhou

Hosts: Helena Huang, Paul Seto

Next Sunday Dec 27 10:15am

English Online Morning Prayer Service Roster

Celebrant & Preacher: **Rev. Maria** Worship Leader: **Fenella** Reader: **Belle**

Next Sunday Dec 27 11:15am

Cantonese Online Morning Prayer Roster

Celebrant: Rev. Maria Ling	
Preacher: Billy Ng	Reader: Joseph Leung
Lay Reader & Intercessor: Andy Ng	PPT Clicker: Chivas Chu
Host: Fenella Chiu	PPT Compiler: Paul Seto

Announcements

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1. Rev. Maria's Availability

- Rev. Maria will take a brief break on **Mon Dec 28 to Wed Dec 30**. If you need to reach her, she can still be reached via her phone or email:
- Phone: **647-507-1051**
- Email: priest@stechurch.com

2. Sun Jan 31, 2021 at 4pm Celebration of New Ministry for Rev. Maria Ling

- On Jan 31, 2021 at 4pm Bishop Jenny be coming to St. E as celebrant to our Celebration of New Ministry online service for Rev. Maria. Please mark your calendars.
- 3. No English Prayer Meeting on Wed Dec 30
 - **CANCELLED** English Prayer Meeting on **Wed Dec 30** for the winter break
 - Next meeting will be on Wed Jan 6, 2021
- 4. Sunday English Adult Bible Study Group: Meetings on hold until the new year
 - We will start to read the Gospel of Matthew in the New Year. Anyone interested are welcome to join.
 - First meeting will be held on **Sunday Jan 10, 2021**.

5. Cantonese Bible Study Fellowship

- There will be no Bible study sessions on Monday December 21, 2020 and Monday December 28, 2020.
- The next session will be on Monday Jan 11, 2021.

6. Vestry & 2020 Reports

- We are tentatively setting our next annual vestry to be on Feb 21, 2021
- We will likely hold the vestry online and possible at church if situation allows at the time. More details will be closer to the date.
- Department heads and small group leaders are invited to write short reports (about half a page with photos) on the development of their ministries in either English or Chinese.
- Please submit your reports to Fenella Chiu by Jan 17, 2021.

7. Cantonese Caring Ministry

 The purpose of the "Christmas Joy Sharing" campaign is to help console church elders during the outbreak and to bring them messages of Peace and Joy. Thank you to the participation of the small group and social department and a special thank you to all the secret angels who delivered the small gift bags. The campaign has completed. Glory be to the Lord.

- 8. Links to Online Services and Other Programs on Zoom
 - o Sundays 9:00am Mandarin Service: Click here
 - Sundays 10:15am English Service: Click here (meeting room opens 10am)
 - English Service Bulletin (PDF) is attached
 - o <u>Sundays 11:15am Cantonese Service: Click here</u> (meeting room opens 11am)
 - <u>Cantonese Service Bulletin (PDF)</u> is attached
 - Phone 647 374 4685
 - Meeting ID: 971 0493 5659 #
 - When it asks for participant ID just press #
 - Password: 494353 #
 - o Sundays 9:30am English Adult Bible Study Group: Click here
 - Next meeting will be on Sun Jan 10, 2021.
 - Meeting ID: 219 137 9700 Password: 3944
 - o Sundays 11am 11:20am Children's Sunday School: Click here
 - Meeting ID: 975 6220 2949 Password: 105101
 - o 2nd, 3rd, 4th Mondays 3:30pm 5pm Cantonese Bible Study: Click here
 - The next session will be on **Mon Jan 11, 2021**.
 - Meeting ID: 925 1299 3695
 - If interested contact Margaret Loo or email <u>info@stechurch.com</u>
 - Wednesdays 8pm English Prayer Meeting: Click here
 - CANCELLED English Prayer Meeting on Wed Dec 30 for the winter break
 - Next meeting will be on Wed Jan 6, 2021
 - Meeting ID: 996 5736 5249 Password: 3944

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