

# Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Holy Communion & Holy Baptism Service

2021 Theme: Revive, Restore, Renew

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant & Preacher: **Rev. Maria Ling**Lay Reader: **Joel Chiu**Intercessor: **Wilson Loo** 

Reader & Greeter: Tammy Pang

Bee Team: Marian Chu

Envelope Secretaries: **Kenny Pang, Annie Chan** PPT Compiler, PPT Controller: **Chivas Chu** 

AV Support, Host: Paul Seto

# Introduction before starting service – Joel Chiu

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. 271) – Joel Chiu

I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to his word.

Luke 1:38

# The Gathering of the Community (P.151) – Joel Chiu

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.

Celebrant: There is one body and one Spirit,
People: There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day (P. 272) - Joel Chiu

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Heavenly Father,** 

who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

# First Reading from Micah 5:2-5a - Joel Chiu

Reader: The Ruler from Bethlehem

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

<sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

<sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord,

in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;

 $^{5a}$  and he shall be the one of peace.

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

# Canticle - #669 Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour

For He hath regarded the lowliness of His hand-maiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call - - me blessed.

For He that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on them that fear Him, throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat; and hath exalted the hum -ble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good - things; and the rich He hath sent -empty a-way.

He, remembering His mer – cy, hath holpen His ser – vant Israel, As He promised to our forefathers, Abraham and His seed for ev – er.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end - . Amen.

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# Second Reading from Hebrews 10:5–10 – Tammy Pang

Reader: 5 Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,

'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; <sup>6</sup> in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings

you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said "See God I have come to a

<sup>7</sup> Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'

<sup>8</sup> When he said above, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sinofferings' (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

# Gospel Hymn – Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne and Thy Kingly Crown

- Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown When thou camest to earth for me,
   But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room For Thy holy nativity.
   O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
   There is room in my heart for Thee.
- Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang, Proclaiming Thy royal degree,
   But in lowly birth didst Thou come to earth,
   And in great humility.
   O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
   There is room in my heart for Thee.
- 3. The foxes found rest and the birds had their nests In the shade of the forest tree,
  But Thy couch was the sod, O Thou Son of God,
  In the desert of Galilee.
  O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
  There is room in my heart for Thee.
- 4. Thou camest, O Lord, with the living Word That should set Thy people free, But with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn They bore Thee to Calvary.

  O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!

  There is room in my heart for Thee.
- 5. When the heavens shall ring and the angels sing At Thy coming to victory,
  Let Thy voice call me home,
  saying "Yet there is room,
  There is room at My side for Thee."
  And my heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus;
  When Thou comest and callest me

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Accompanist: Daniel Yoon
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# Gospel Luke 1:39–55 – Margaret Loo

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: Mary Visits Elizabeth

<sup>39</sup> In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, <sup>40</sup> where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup> and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup> And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup> For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. <sup>45</sup> And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

### Mary's Song of Praise

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,

- and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
- <sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
- <sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.
- <sup>50</sup> His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.
- <sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
- <sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;
- <sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.
- 54 He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,
- <sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

### to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon – Rev. Maria Ling (Interpreter: Margaret Loo)

#### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

## Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: The candidate(s) for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Candidates able to answer for themselves are presented by their parents and sponsors as follows:

Sponsor: I present Edwin Pui Him to receive the sacrament of

baptism.

The celebrant asks each candidate when presented,

Celebrant: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

The celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of

wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which

corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the

love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your

Saviour?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

# Prayers for the Candidates – Wilson Loo

The celebrant then says to the congregation,

Intercessor: Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the

sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Grant, O Lord,

that all who are baptized

into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

All: Amen.

# The Celebration of Baptism – Rev. Maria Ling

# Thanksgiving over Water (P.157)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

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

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

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over

water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of

sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit † that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Let us join with those

who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

# The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God,

The Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall

into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of

God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your

neighbour as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and

respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation,

and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People: I will, with God's help.

# The Baptism

Celebrant: Edwin Pui Him, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and

of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each one (using chrism if desired) saying to each,

Celebrant: I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for

ever.

The celebrant, at a place in the full sight of the congregation, prays over the newly baptized, saying,

Heavenly Father,

we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants

the forgiveness of sin,

and have raised them to the new life of grace.

Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

All: Amen.

# The Giving of the Light

One of the ministers may then give to each of the newly baptized a lighted candle, saying,

Celebrant: Receive the light of Christ,

to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

Then all of the newly baptized have received candles, the people say,

People: Let your light so shine before others

that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God.

Confess the faith of Christ crucified,

proclaim his resurrection,

and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

# 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>

# Offertory

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# Offertory Hymn – Will You Come and Follow Me

- 1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- 2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
- 3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen, And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
- 4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
- 5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company i'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus i'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Hymn leader and Accompanist: Joanne Loo

Music: Traditional Scottish melody

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# Prayer over the Gifts (P.272) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Gracious God,

by the power of the Spirit

who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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

willo off the flight he was hand

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.212 #5 Advent) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: God of promise,

you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All: Happy are those who are called

to the supper of the Lamb.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### 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 Hymns – My god, and is thy table spread

Hymn recording:Elaine Wong

Accompaniment: www.smallchurchmusic.com

Music: William Henry Gladstone Text: Philip Doddridge

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# - The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Hymn leader: Terence Kim Accompanist: Michelle Zheng Music: Ancient Basque carol Text: Sabine Baring-Gould

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# Prayer after Communion (P.272) – Rev. Maria Ling

Celebrant: Faithful God,

in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation.

May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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**

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### Dismissal – Joel Chiu

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

People: Thanks be to God.

# Recessional Hymn – #382 O Jesus, I Have Promised

1. O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; Be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

- 2. O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.
- 3. O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.
- 4. O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be. And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

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# Next Saturday Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 11am

# Joint Online & In-Person Holy Communion Service Roster

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Worship Leader, Intercessor: Billy Ng

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Guitarist and song leader: Justin Kim

Accompanist: Joanne Loo

# Next Sunday Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 11am Joint Online & In-Person Holy Communion & Holy Baptism Service Roster

Celebrant & Preacher: **Rev. Maria Ling** Preacher: **Pastor Tom Ho**Worship Leader: **Sunny Wong** Intercessor: **Manny Lai** 

Reader: Bao Zhong Xing

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