



2022 Theme: Rekindle us to serve God in a changing world

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (Luke 14:25–33): **Rev. Bill Craven**

Interpreter: **Margaret Loo**

Server: **Joel Chiu**

Lay Reader, Intercessor: **Wilson Loo**

Reader 1: **Yvonne Zheng** (*Jeremiah 18:1–11*)

Reader 2: **Tali Wong** (*Philemon 1–21*)

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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. 378) – Wilson Loo

Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.

Psalm 119:135

Processional Hymn – Here I am to Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness.

Opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You

(Refrain) So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,

Here I am to say that You're my God

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted

Glorious in heaven above

Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
(Refrain)

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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To see my sin upon that cross
(Refrain)

Guitar and Voice: Justin Kim

Arrangement and Electronic Accompaniment: Terence Kim

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The Gathering of the Community (P.185) – Rev. Bill Craven

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.**

Prayer of Purity (P.185) – Rev. Bill Craven

Celebrant: Almighty God,
People: **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Gloria (P.186)– Rev. Bill Craven

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. 365) – Rev. Bill Craven

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people,
that richly bearing the fruit of good works,
we may by you be richly rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

1st Reading from Jeremiah 18:1–11 – Yvonne Zheng

Reader: ***The Potter and the Clay***

¹ The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ² ‘Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.’ ³ So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴ The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me: ⁶ Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷ At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and

destroy it,⁸ but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it.⁹ And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it,¹⁰ but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it.¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

<Sunday School children may exit to classroom>

Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18 – Wilson Loo

The Inescapable God

To the leader. Of David. A Psalm.

1 O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

**2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.**

3 You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**4 Even before a word is on my tongue,
O Lord, you know it completely.**

5 You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

**6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

13 For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well.**

15 My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

In your book were written

all the days that were formed for me,

when none of them as yet existed.

17 How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!

18 I try to count them—they are more than the sand;

I come to the end—I am still with you.

2nd Reading from Philemon 1–21 – Tali Wong

Reader: ***Salutation***

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ² to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philemon's Love and Faith

⁴ When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷ I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

Paul's Plea for Onesimus

⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹² I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³ I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be

voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – #386 Take Up Your Cross

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Gospel Luke 14:25–33 – Rev. Bill Craven

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 Cost of Discipleship**

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, “This fellow began to build

and was not able to finish.”³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand?³² If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace.³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon – Rev. Bill Craven (*Cantonese Interpreter: Margaret Loo*)

The Nicene Creed (P.188) – Wilson Loo

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

All: **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory**

**to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

**With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.**

He has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Prayers of the People (P.112 Litany 2) – Wilson Loo

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: 30th Anniversary

Deanery: St. Hilary's; Rev'd Adrienne Clements

Diocesan: Synod Council

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Australia

Infirm: Esther Chen, Susan Xu's mother Dian-Lan Feng, Mrs. Tsang Fung Kwok Wah, Aileen Lu, Alfred Chiu, Grace Krist's mother Helen Lum, Andy Ng's father Kim Tung Ng, Zhi Feng Wu

Other: People of Ukraine, Hong Kong

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

Intercessor: Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, "Lord hear our prayer."

Intercessor: O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

All: **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. Bill Craven

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.**

The Peace (P.192) – Rev. Bill Craven

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 Hymn – #405 Take My Life and Let it Be

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People: **All things come of Thee, O Lord,
And of Thine own Have we given Thee. Amen.**

Prayer over the Gifts (P.379) – Rev. Bill Craven

Celebrant: Great and holy God,
accept our offering of labour and love.
May we bring you true and spiritual worship
and be one with you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 2 (P.196-7) – Rev. Bill Craven

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. Bill Craven

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 #2) – Rev. Bill Craven

Celebrant: We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ

All: **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread**

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

People:

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us. (x2)

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

The Communion

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 – I Give You My Heart

This is my desire, to honour You.

Lord, with all my heart I worship You.

With all I have within me, I give You praise.

All that I adore is in You.

Lord, I give You my heart, I give You my soul.

I live for You alone.

Every breath that I take,

Every moment I'm awake,

Lord, have Your way in me.

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Prayer after Communion (P.379) – Rev. Bill Craven

Celebrant: Father,

your word and sacrament give us food and life.

May we who have shared in holy things

bear fruit to your honour and glory,

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Doxology (P.214) – Rev. Bill Craven

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. Bill Craven

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.** (*3-fold Amen*)

Announcements

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Dismissal – Wilson Loo

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn – Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

1. What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
Since Jesus came into my heart!

I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Refrain) Since Jesus came into my heart!
Since Jesus came into my heart!
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

2. I have ceased from my wand'ring and going astray,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

And my sins which were many are all washed away,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Refrain)

3. I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Refrain)

4. There's a light in the valley of death now for me,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

And the gates of the City beyond I can see,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Refrain)

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Next Sunday September 11th **10am**

14th Sunday after Pentecost

English In-Person & Online Morning Prayer Service Roster

Preacher: **Billy Ng**

Worship Leader, Gospeller: **Justin Kim**

Reader: **Terence Kim** (1 Timothy 1:12–17)

Intercessor: **Amy Chiu**

AV Team: **Paul Seto, Benjamin Kim**

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