

Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (10am) 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost In-Person & Online English Morning Prayer Service

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

## This Sunday Roster

Preacher: Tracy Yip

Worship Leader, Gospeller (Luke 16:19-31): Paul Seto

Reader 2: Gabriel Kong (1 Timothy 6:6–19)

Reader 1, Intercessor: Carol Tam (Jeremiah 32:1–3a, 6–15)

AV Team: Fenella Chiu, Tommy Kung

## Introduction before starting service – Paul Seto

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.382) – Paul Seto

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

## The Peace (P.192) - Paul Seto

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

People: And also with you.

< Please greet each other in the name of Christ>

## Grace (P.185) - Paul Seto

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 Seto

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) – Paul Seto

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us

from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

## 1st Reading from Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 - Carol Tam

#### Reader: Jeremiah Buys a Field During the Siege

<sup>1</sup> The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. <sup>2</sup> At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, <sup>3a</sup> where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

<sup>6</sup> Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: <sup>7</sup> Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' <sup>8</sup> Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

<sup>9</sup> And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. <sup>10</sup> I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. <sup>11</sup> Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; <sup>12</sup> and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence

of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. <sup>13</sup> In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, <sup>14</sup> Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. <sup>15</sup> For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from 1 Timothy 6:6–19 – Gabriel Kong

Reader: <sup>6</sup> Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; <sup>8</sup> but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup> But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

#### The Good Fight of Faith

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. <sup>16</sup> It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up for themselves the

treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

#### Gospel Hymn – 10,000 Reasons

(Refrain)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before, O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

- The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
  It's time to sing Your song again
  Whatever may pass,
  and whatever lies before me
   Let me be singing when the evening comes (Refrain)
- 2. You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger Your name is great, and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Refrain)
- 3. And on that day when my strength is failing
  The end draws near and my time has come
  Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
  Ten thousand years and then forevermore (Refrain)

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#### Gospel Luke 16:19–31 – Paul Seto

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 Rich Man and Lazarus

<sup>19</sup> 'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was

carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." 25 But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." <sup>27</sup> He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." 29 Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." 30 He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." 31 He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## Sermon - Tracy Yip

## The Apostles' Creed (P.52) - Paul Seto

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.113 Litany 4) – Carol Tam

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Deanery: St. Francis of Assisi, Meadowvale; Rev'd Jeff Brown
Diocesan: Lay Ministry and the Education for Ministry Program

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Burundi

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

Condolences: Oi Sheung Tam

Other: People of Ukraine, Hong Kong

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. 383) - Carol Tam

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: Grant, O merciful God,

that your Church,
being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one,
may show forth your power among all peoples,
to the glory of your name;
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) - Paul Seto

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.55) – Paul Seto

Celebrant: May the God of peace enable us to do his will in every kind

of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus

Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

#### **Announcements**

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## Dismissal - Paul Seto

Leader: Let us bless the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.** 

# Recessional Hymn – On Eagle's Wings

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the Lord, "My Refuge, My Rock in Whom I trust."

(Refrain)

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn,

Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His Hand.

- 2. The snares of the fowler will never capture you, The famine will bring you no fear; Under His Wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. (Refrain)
- 3. You need not fear the terror of the night, Nor the arrow that flies by day, Though thousands fall about you, Near you it shall not come. (Refrain)
- 4. For to His angels He's given a command,
  To guard you in all of your ways,
  Upon their hands they will bear you up,
  Lest you dash your foot against a stone. (Refrain)

Song leader: Benjamin Kim

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## Next Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11am

# 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Church Anniversary In-Person & Online Joint Holy Communion Service

Celebrant, Gospeller *(Luke 17:5–10)*, Preacher: **Rev. James Chu** Worship Leader, Intercessor: **Wilson Loo** Server: **Joel Chiu** 

Reader 1 (Lamentations 1:1-6): Amy Chiu

Reader 2 (2 Timothy 1:1-14), Envelop Secretary 1: Anna Lo

Envelope Secretary 2, PPT Controller: **Annie Chan** Greeter, Sidesperson, Bee Team: **Bing Wong** 

PPT Compiler, Camera: Fenella Chiu AV Team: Tommy Kung

Accompanists: Joanne Loo, Justin Kim

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