

Sunday, January 15th, 2023 <u>10am</u> 2nd Sunday after Epiphany English Holy Communion Service

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

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Gospeller (John 1:29-42), Preacher: Rev. Canon Victor Li

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (Isaiah 49:1-7): Paul Seto

Reader 2 (1 Corinthians 1:1-9), Intercessor: Charles Doiron
Server: Fenella Chiu Offering Collection: Silas Seto

AV Team: Tommy Kung Accompanist, song leader: Daniel Yoon, Ada Lam

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. 349) – Paul Seto

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. To all who receive him, he gave power to become children of God.

See John 1

Processional Hymn – See Amid the Winter's Snow

1. See amid the winter's snow, Born for us on earth below, See the tender Lamb appears, Promised from eternal years.

(Chorus) Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!

Hail, redemption's happy dawn! Sing through all Jerusalem, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

- 2. Lo, within a manger lies he Who built the starry skies, Who enthroned in height sublime Sits amid the cherubim. (Chorus)
- 3. Say, ye holy shepherds, say What your joyful news today; Wherefore have ye left your sheep On the lonely mountain steep? (Chorus)
- 4. "As we watched at dead of night, Lo, we saw a wondrous light;

Angels singing peace on earth Told us of the Saviour's birth". (Chorus)

Music: John Goss Text: Edward Caswall

Common Praise #148

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The Gathering of the Community (P.185) – Rev. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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. 349) - Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God,

your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

is the light of the world.

May your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory,

that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed

to the ends of the earth;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

1st Reading from Isaiah 49:1-7 – Paul Seto

Reader: The Servant's Mission

¹ Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born,

while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

² He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

³ And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

⁴ But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,

I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.'

⁵ And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,

and my God has become my strength—

⁶ he says,

'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant

to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations,

that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

⁷ Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful,

the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

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

2nd Reading from 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 – Charles Doiron

Reader: Salutation

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

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

Gospel Hymn – Be the Centre

Jesus, be the centre. Be my source, be my light, Jesus.

Jesus, be the centre, Be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

Be the fire in my heart, Be the wind in these sails, Be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus. Jesus, be my vision, Be my path, be my guide, Jesus.

Be the fire in my heart, Be the wind in these sails, Be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus. (Repeat)

Jesus, be the centre. Be my source, be my light, Jesus. Be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

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

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— ⁶ just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel John 1:29-42 - Rev. Canon Victor Li

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 Lamb of God

²⁹ The next day John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." ³¹ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' ³² And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." ³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The First Disciples of Jesus

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' ³⁹ He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). ⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon - Rev. Canon Victor Li

The Nicene Creed (P.188) - Paul Seto

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.113 Litany 4) – Charles Doiron

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: 2023 Ministry Planning

Deanery: St. Bride's, Clarkson; Canon Stephen Peake and Rev'd Jillian Ruch
Diocesan: Territorial Archdeacons and Canon Administrators of the Diocese of

Toronto

Anglican: The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

For Healing: Esther Chen, Susan Xu's mother Dian-Lan Feng, Aileen Lu, Alfred Chiu,

Andy Ng's parents Kim Tung Ng and Sau Fong Cheung, Zau-Gong Fung

(John & Annie Fung's son)

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.

All: Amen.

Confession (P.191) - Paul Seto

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. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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 – Come to the Table of Mercy

Come to the table of mercy,

Prepared with the wine and the bread;

All who are hungry and thirsty,

Come and your souls will be fed.

Come at the Lord's invitation;

Receive from His nail-scarred hand.

Eat of the bread of salvation;

Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

(Repeat the whole song)

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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.350) - Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: Living God,

you have revealed your Son as the Messiah.

May we hear his word and follow it,

and live as children of light.

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

All: Amen.

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

- Rev. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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

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Prayer after Communion (P.350) – Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: God of glory,

you nourish us with bread from heaven.

Fill us with your Holy Spirit,

that through us your light may shine in all the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Doxology (P.214) – Rev. Canon Victor Li

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. Canon Victor Li

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)

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Dismissal – Paul Seto

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

Recessional Hymn - On this Day Earth Shall Ring

1. On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing To the Lord, Christ our king, Born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.

(Refrain) Id-e-o-o-o, id-e-o-o-o, Id-e-o gloria in excelsis Deo!

- 2. His the doom, ours the mirth; When he came down to earth, Bethlehem saw His birth; Ox and ass beside him From the cold would hide him. (Refrain)
- 3. God's bright star, o'er His head, Wise Men three to him led; kneeling low by his bed, Lay their gifts before him, praise Him and adore him. (Refrain)
- 4. On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring, Praising Christ, heaven's King,

Born on earth to save us; peace and love He gave us. (Refrain)

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