



ST. ELIZABETH'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH
聖公會頌主堂

Sunday, February 19th, 2023 (10am)
Last Sunday after Epiphany
In-Person & Online
English Morning Prayer Service

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

This Sunday Roster

Preacher , Gospeller (*Matthew 17:1-9*): **Billy Ng**

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*Exodus 24:12-18*): **Paul Seto**

Reader 2 (2 *Peter 1:16-21*): **Terence Kim**

Intercessor: **Amy Chiu**

AV Team: **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.418) – Paul Seto

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Matthew 17:5

The Peace (P.192) – Paul Seto

Leader: 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

Leader: 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

Leader: 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 Exodus 24:12-18 – Paul Seto

Reader:

¹² The Lord said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.’ ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, ‘Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.’

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading from 2 Peter 1:16-21 – Terence Kim

Reader: ***Eyewitnesses of Christ’s Glory***

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, ‘This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.’ ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – Shine, Jesus, Shine

*1. Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us.
Set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.*

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine.
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your Word,
Lord, and let there be light.*

*2. Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness.
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.*

(Refrain)

*3. As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
so our faces display Your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story,
Shine on me, shine on me.*

(Refrain)

*Song leader and guitarist: Justin Kim
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Gospel Matthew 17:1-9 – Billy Ng

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew**.

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

Reader: ***The Transfiguration***

¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' ⁸ And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon – Billy Ng

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.115 Litany 6) – Amy Seto

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Rev. Canon Victor Li, Elected and appointed members at vestry meeting
Deanery: St. Hilary's; Rev'd Adrienne Clements
Diocesan: Nottawasaga Deanery
Anglican: The Anglican Church of Rwanda
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
Other: People in Turkey & Syria

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

Intercessor: Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Intercessor: For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day (P. 418) – Amy Chiu

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God,
on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;**

**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

Leader: 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

Leader: 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.**

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Dismissal – Paul Seto

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional 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

1. 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*)

Song leader & guitarist: Justin Kim
Music and Text: Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman
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Next Sunday February 26th at 10am_ 1st Sunday of Lent In-Person & Online English Morning Prayer Service

Preacher, Gospeller (*Matthew 4:1-11*): **Wilson Loo**
Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7*): **Fenella Chiu**
Reader 2 (*Romans 5:12-19*), Intercessor: **Carol Tam**
AV Team: **Tommy Kung**

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1. **Tue Feb 21 Ash Wednesday Cantonese Reflect and Repent Service**
 - The Cantonese Ministry will hold its Ash Wednesday Reflect and Repent Service on Tuesday Feb. 21 at 8 pm via Zoom. (Please note it is held on Tue, one day before the actual Ash Wednesday). Apart from scripture reading, prayers, hymns, and confession, Canon Victor Li has also prepared a short video message for us to stream online during the service. You are cordially invited to attend the meeting and the service.
 - Zoom Meeting Link: [Click Here](#)
 - Meeting ID: **981 8987 6958** Passcode: **105101**
2. **Wed Feb 22 8pm Ash Wednesday English Evening Prayer**
 - Zoom Meeting Link: [Click here](#)
 - Meeting ID: **996 5736 5249** Password: **3944**
3. **4-Parish Anglican Joint Spring Conference Registration May 6-7, 2023**
 - Registration for our triennial Joint Conference has begun. We have invited the Rt. Rev. Matthias Tze Wo Der, the Bishop of the Diocese of Hong Kong as Keynote Speaker. Paper forms are available at the front desk. Or use online registration form on website: <http://www.stjohnswillowdale.com/2023-joint-conference>
 - Early bird prices (until **March 12**):
 - Full Camp Adult \$115; Child (4-12yr) \$75
 - Day Camp Adult \$65; Child (4-12yr) \$45
 - All payments to be collected in person by members of the organizing committee. Please contact Fenella Chiu, Joel Chiu (Cantonese Program), Yvonne Zheng (English Program) if you have any questions.

4. **2023 Elections & Appointments from Feb 12 Vestry**

- Thanks to all those who attended our vestry last Sunday.
- DRAFT Vestry Minutes and meeting recording is available on website: stechurch.com/vestry
- Page Password: (only included in email distribution of St. E members)
- Appointed:
 - Rector's Warden: **Fenella Chiu**
 - Deputy Warden: **Chivas Chu**
 - Treasurer: **Kenny Pang**
- Elected:
 - People's Warden: **Paul Seto**
 - Cantonese Ministry Chair: **<none at this time>**
 - English Ministry Co-Chairs: **Yvonne Zheng, Enoch Ho**
 - Mandarin Ministry Chair: **Helena Huang**
 - Parochial Tribunal Lay Members: **Ivy Ho, Amy Chiu**
 - Lay Member of Synod: **Joel Chiu**
 - Alternate Lay Member of Synod: **Paul Seto**

5. **Clergy Vacation**

- Canon Victor will be away from February 14 to March 13 on a no-pay leave.
- During his absence, for any pastoral emergency, you may contact the Rev. Kevin Wong at All Saints' Church, Markham.

6. **Faith Formation: Lent Devotions**

- In the church calendar, the forty days period (excluding Sundays) before Easter is Lent. In 2023, the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday, is on Feb 22. During this period, Christians reflect on their lives and their relationship with God, with the purpose of preparing themselves for Jesus's crucifixion and resurrection. This year, the Faith Formation Department will provide parishioners with a devotional booklet on Lent*. The content of the booklet is based on a book called "The Way of Love: Turn". This book teaches us to be like the disciples of Jesus, called to walk in the path of the way of love. The booklet reminds us that Lent is a time to turn to God. The booklet provides a number of practices for readers to choose from and to work on so that they can learn to prepare a rule of life for themselves. If you would like to participate in this Lenten devotion exercise, please contact Margaret or email rsvp@stechurch.com. A booklet will be prepared for you. And you will be invited to attend a briefing session on Thursday February 16 at 7 pm and a sharing session on Monday April 3 at 7 pm.
- Zoom Meeting Link: [Click here](#)
- Meeting ID: **873 5259 8410** Passcode: **1051**
- *Acknowledgement: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Lent Devotional Booklet 2022
Rev'd Vincent Chan

7. **April 16 Baptismal Service**

- The next scheduled service for Holy Baptism will be on April 16, the Sunday following Easter Sunday. So far, we have two candidates. If you are interested, please let Fr. Victor know. We will have a preparation class at the end of March (most likely via Zoom).