



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

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (10am)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent  
In-Person & Online  
English Morning Prayer Service

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

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## This Sunday Roster

Preacher, Gospeller (*John 4:5-42*): **Billy Ng**

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*Exodus 17:1-7*): **Fenella Chiu**

Reader 2 (*Romans 5:1-11*), Intercessor: **Carol Tam**

AV Team: **Paul Seto**

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## Introduction before starting service – Fenella 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.289) – Fenella Chiu

Lord, you are indeed the Saviour of the world. Give us living water, that we may not thirst.

*See John 5:15*

## The Peace (P.192) – Fenella Chiu

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) – Fenella Chiu

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) – Fenella Chiu

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) – Fenella Chiu

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.**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading from Exodus 17:1-7 – Fenella Chiu

Reader: **Water from the Rock**

*<sup>1</sup> From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup> The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' <sup>3</sup> But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' <sup>4</sup> So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' <sup>5</sup> The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup> I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup> He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from Romans 5:1-11 – Carol Tam

Reader: **Results of Justification**

*<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and*

*hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.*

*<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Hymn – People Need the Lord

1. Everyday they pass me by, I can see it in their eyes.  
Empty people filled with care, Headed who knows where?  
On they go through private pain, Living fear to fear.  
Laughter hides their silent cries, Only Jesus hears.

*(Refrain)* People need the Lord, people need the Lord.  
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.  
People need the Lord, people need the Lord.  
When will we realize, people need the Lord?

2. We are called to take His light To a world where wrong seems right.  
What could be too great a cost For sharing Life with one who's lost?  
Through His love our hearts can feel All the grief they bear.  
They must hear the Words of Life Only we can share. *(Refrain)*

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## Gospel John 4:5-42 – Billy Ng, Carol Tam, Fenella Chiu, People

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:

<sup>5</sup> So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, **'Give me a drink'**. <sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)

<sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, **'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.'** <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?' <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, **'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.'** <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, **'Go, call your husband, and come back.'** <sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, **'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!'** <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.'

<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, **'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'** <sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, **'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'**

<sup>27</sup> Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or,

*'Why are you speaking with her?'* <sup>28</sup> Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, <sup>29</sup> *'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?'* <sup>30</sup> They left the city and were on their way to him.

<sup>31</sup> Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, *'Rabbi, eat something.'*

<sup>32</sup> But he said to them, ***'I have food to eat that you do not know about.'*** <sup>33</sup> So the disciples said to one another, *'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?'* <sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, ***'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work.'*** <sup>35</sup> ***Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.'*** <sup>36</sup> ***The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.'*** <sup>37</sup> ***For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps."*** <sup>38</sup> ***I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'***

<sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, *'He told me everything I have ever done.'* <sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. <sup>41</sup> And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup> They said to the woman, *'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Sermon – Billy Ng

### The Apostles' Creed (P.52) – Fenella Chiu

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.112 Litany 2) – Carol Tam

### Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Rev. Canon Victor Li, Baptismal Candidates  
Deanery: St. Francis of Assisi, Meadowvale; Rev'd Jeff Brown  
Diocesan: The Synod Council of the Diocese  
Anglican: The Church of South India (United)  
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  
Condolences: Yuk Lan Chen  
Other: People in Turkey & Syria

*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.**

## Collect of the Day (P. 289) – Carol Tam

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life,  
may we always thirst for you,  
the spring of life and source of goodness;  
through him who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer (P.54) – Fenella Chiu

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) – Fenella Chiu

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 – Fenella Chiu

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Recessional Hymn – Cry of My Heart

*(Refrain)*

It is the cry of my heart to follow You.

It is the cry of my heart to be close to You.

It is the cry of my heart to follow  
all of the days of my life.

*(Repeat)*

Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord,  
so I can walk in Your truth.

Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord,  
and make me wholly devoted to You. *(Refrain)*

Open my eyes so I can see

the wonderful things that You do.  
Open my heart up more and more,  
and make me wholly devoted to You. (*Refrain*)

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## Next Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent In-Person & Online English Holy Communion Service

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (*John 9:1-41*): **Rev. Canon Victor Li**

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*1 Samuel 16:1-13*): **Paul Seto**

Server: **Fenella Chiu** (Training: **Terence Kim**)

Reader 2 (*Ephesians 5:8-14*): **Terence Kim**

Intercessor: **Amy Chiu**

AV Team: **Tommy Kung**

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  - Meeting ID: **930 9972 4731** Password: **1051**