

# Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 10am 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost English Holy Communion Service

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

## This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30): Rev. Canon Victor Li

Worship Leader: **Paul Seto** Server: **Fenella Chiu** 

Reader 1 (Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67), Intercessor: Carol Tam Reader 2 (Romans 7:15-25a), Offering Collection: Silas Seto

AV Team: Terence Kim

# 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. 366) – Paul Seto

Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple.

Matthew 11:25

# Processional Hymn – Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

1. Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, Praise the Lord with the harp and lute, Praise the Lord with the gentle sounding flute. Praise the Lord in the field and forest, Praise the Lord in the city square, Praise the Lord any time and anywhere.

- 2. Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, Praise the Lord in the dark of night, Praise the Lord in the rain or snow Or in the morning light.
  Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, Praise the Lord on the highest hill, Praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.
- 3. Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, Praise the Lord with the pipe and string, Praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing. Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, Praise the Lord on a Sunday noon, Praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.
- 4. Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, Praise the Lord in the time of joy,

Praise the Lord every moment;
Nothing let your praise destroy.
Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,
Praise the Lord in your work or play,
Praise the Lord everywhere in every way.

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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;

and worthly magnify your noist nam

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. 366) – Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God,

your Son Jesus Christ has taught us

that what we do for the least of your children

we do also for him.

Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,

who gave up his life and died for us,

but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Reading from Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 – Carol Tam Reader:

<sup>34</sup> So he said, 'I am Abraham's servant. <sup>35</sup> The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. <sup>36</sup> And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. <sup>37</sup> My master made me swear, saying, "You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; <sup>38</sup> but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son."

<sup>42</sup> 'I came today to the spring, and said, "O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! <sup>43</sup> I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, 'Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,' <sup>44</sup> and who will say to me, 'Drink, and I will draw for your camels also'—let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son."

<sup>45</sup> 'Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water-jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, "Please let me drink." <sup>46</sup> She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, "Drink, and I will also water your camels." So I drank, and she also watered the camels. <sup>47</sup> Then I asked her, "Whose daughter are you?" She said, "The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom

Milcah bore to him." So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. <sup>48</sup> Then I bowed my head and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. <sup>49</sup> Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.'

<sup>58</sup> And they called Rebekah, and said to her, 'Will you go with this man?' She said, 'I will.' <sup>59</sup> So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. <sup>60</sup> And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

'May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.'

- <sup>61</sup> Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.
- <sup>62</sup> Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. <sup>68</sup> Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. <sup>64</sup> And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, <sup>65</sup> and said to the servant, 'Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?' The servant said, 'It is my master.' So she took her veil and covered herself. <sup>66</sup> And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. <sup>67</sup> Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

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

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from Romans 7:15-25a – Silas Seto

#### Reader:

<sup>15</sup> I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup> But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup> For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup> For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup> So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup> Wretched man that I

am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

# Gospel Hymn – What a Friend we have in Jesus

- 1. What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!
- 2. Have we trials or temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged—Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Saviour, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer? In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

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## Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 - 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 *Matthew*.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Reader:

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said, 'To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup> "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."

<sup>18</sup> For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; <sup>19</sup> the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

#### Jesus Thanks His Father

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one

knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup> 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

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.117 Litany 9) – Carol Tam

#### Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Transition Period

Deanery: Retired Clergy in Mississauga Deanery

Diocesan: Mission to Seafarers

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Burundi

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, Joseph Leung's

father Kwok Ping Leung

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

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

Intercessor: Let us ask the Lord for a day of fulfilment and peace.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: Let us ask the Lord to teach us to love others as he has loved us.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: Let us ask the Lord for peace and justice in the world.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: Let us ask the Lord to strengthen and relieve those who are in

need.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: Let us ask the Lord to renew the Church through the power of his

life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, 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 – Just as I am

1. Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

2. Just as I am, and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot; To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

- 3. Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt; Fightings within, and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come!
- 4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind; Yes, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!
- 5. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,

Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;

Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

6. Just as I am, Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

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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.367) - Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: God of heaven and earth, receive our sacrifice of praise,

and strengthen us for the perfect freedom of your service,

through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 4 (P.201-3)

#### - 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: It is right to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,

you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be:

the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home;

by your will they were created and have their being.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,

and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;

you made us the stewards of creation.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: But we turn against you, and betray your trust;

and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return.

Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour.
He was wounded for our transgressions,

and bruised for our iniquities.

By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus,

with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope,

to proclaim with them yourglory, in their unending hymn:

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: Blessed are you, Lord our God,

for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over

to suffering and death,

took bread, said the blessing,

broke the bread, gave it to his friends,

and said, "Take this, and eat it:

this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper,

he took the cup of wine;

he gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you:

this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drinkit,

do this for the remembrance of me."

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Gracious God,

we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming

as Lord of all the nations.

We who have been redeemed by him,

and made a new people by water and the Spirit,

now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth

and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together

from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,

where peace and justice are revealed,

that we, with all your people,

of every language, race, and nation,

may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,

all honour and glory are yours,

creator of all.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever. 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 - There is None Like You

Song leader and guitarist: Justin Kim

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Words and music by Lenny LeBlanc

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## Prayer after Communion (P.367) – Rev. Canon Victor Li

Celebrant: O God, may we who have shared in holy things

never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of lesus Christ our Lord

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

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

#### Recessional 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*)

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