



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

Sunday, July 16th, 2023 (10am)
7th 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: **Rev. Siu Chun Leung**

Worship Leader, Gospeller (*Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23*), Intercessor: **Justin Kim**

Reader 1 (*Genesis 25:19-34*): **Fenella Chiu**

Reader 2 (*Romans 8:1-11*): **Terence Kim** Offering Collection: **Joshua Lau**

PPT Compiler: **Yvonne Zheng** AV Team: **Tommy Kung**

Accompanist: **Daniel Yoon** Song leader: **Justin 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.367) – Justin Kim

The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. *Deuteronomy 30:14*

The Peace (P.192) – Justin Kim

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) – Justin Kim

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) – Justin Kim

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) – Justin Kim

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 Genesis 25:19-34 – Fenella Chiu

Reader: ***The Birth and Youth of Esau and Jacob***

¹⁹ *These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac,* ²⁰ *and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean.* ²¹ *Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived.* ²² *The children struggled together within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to inquire of the Lord.* ²³ *And the Lord said to her,*

*'Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.'*

²⁴ *When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb.*

²⁵ *The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau.* ²⁶ *Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.*

²⁷ *When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents.* ²⁸ *Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.*

Esau Sells His Birthright

²⁹ *Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished.* ³⁰ *Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore he was called Edom.)* ³¹ *Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.'* ³² *Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?'* ³³ *Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.'* *So he swore to him, and*

sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading from Romans 8:1-11 – Terence Kim

Reader: ***Life in the Spirit***

¹ *There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.*

² *For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.*

⁹ *But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

(Refrain) Sing a new song unto the Lord
let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.

1. Shout with gladness, dance for joy.
O come before the Lord.
And play for him on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound. *(Refrain)*

2. Rise, O children, from your sleep
your Savior now has come.

He has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song. (*Refrain*)

3. Glad my soul for I have seen
the glory of the Lord.
The trumpet sounds, the dead shall be raised.
I know my Savior lives. (*Refrain*)

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Gospel Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 – Justin Kim

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

Reader: ***The Parable of the Sower***

¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!'

The Parable of the Sower Explained

¹⁸ 'Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

The Apostles' Creed (P.52) – Justin Kim

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) – Justin Kim

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Transition Period

Deanery: Chaplaincy to Trillium Health Partners

Diocesan: Giving With Grace – the Anglican Appeal of the Anglican Church of Canada

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Canada

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

Condolences: Mr. Chan (Lily Chow's father), ????? (Tracy Yip's father)

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. 367) – Justin Kim

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless
until they find their rest in you.
May we find peace in your service,
and in the world to come, see you face to face;
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) – Justin Kim

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.**

Offertory Hymn – Thy Word

(Refrain) Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

1. When I feel afraid,
And I think I've lost my way.
Still, You're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near.
Please be near me to the end. *(Refrain)*

2. I will not forget
Your love for me and yet,
My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide,
And hold me to Your side,
I will love You to the end. (*Refrain*)

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***All things come of Thee, O Lord,
And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.***

Prayer over the Gifts (P. 368)

All: **Father,
your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom.
Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace;
for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.**

Blessing (P.55) – Justin Kim

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 – Justin Kim

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

Recessional Hymn – Open My Eyes, That I May See

1. Open my eyes that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit Divine!

2. Open my ears that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;

Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit Divine!

3. Open my mouth and let me bear
Tidings of mercy everywhere;
Open my heart and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit Divine!

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Next Sunday July 23rd, 2023 at 10am

8th Sunday after Pentecost

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Reader 1 (*Genesis 28:10-19a*), Intercessor: **Amy Chiu**

Reader 2 (*Romans 8:12-25*): **Gabriel Kong**

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