

ST.ELIZABETH'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 12<sup>th</sup> 聖公會頌主堂 In D

Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (10am) 12<sup>th</sup> 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. Canon Victor Li

 Worship Leader, Gospeller (Matthew 15: 21-28): Fenella Chiu

 Reader 1 (Genesis 45:1-15), Intercessor: Amy Chiu

 Reader 2 (Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32): Gabriel Kong
 Offering: Marissa Lau

 PPT Compiler: Yvonne Zheng
 AV Team: Terence Kim

# 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.374) – Fenella Chiu

Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. See Matthew 4:23

## 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

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	be with you all.	
	and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,	
	and the love of God,	
Leader:	The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,	

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 withour 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 Genesis 45:1-15 – Amy Chiu

#### Reader: Joseph Reveals Himself to His Brothers

<sup>1</sup> Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, 'Send everyone away from me.' So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. <sup>2</sup> And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. <sup>3</sup> Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

<sup>4</sup> Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup> And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup> For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup> God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors.<sup>8</sup> So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.<sup>9</sup> Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. <sup>10</sup> You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup> I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."<sup>12</sup> And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup> You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.' <sup>14</sup> Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck.<sup>15</sup> And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 – Gabriel Kong Reader:

#### Israel's Rejection Is Not Final

<sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>29</sup> for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now[a] receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

### Gospel Hymn – Faith of Our Fathers Living Still

1. Faith of our fathers, living still, In spite of dungeon, fire and sword; O how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious Word: Faith of our fathers, holy faith, We will be true to you till death.

2. Faith of our mothers, daring faith, Your work for Christ is love revealed, Spreading God's word frompole to pole, Making love known and freedom real: Faith of our mothers, holy faith, We will be true to you till death.

3. Faith of our sisters, brothers too, Who still must bear oppression's might, Raising on high, in prisons dark, The cross of Christ still burning bright: Faith for today, O living faith, We will be true to you till death.

4. Faith born of God, O call us yet; Bind us with all who follow you, Sharing the struggle of your cross Until the world is made anew. Faith born of God, O living faith, We will be true to you till death. Hymn leader: Daniel Yoon Accompaniment: www.smallchurchmusic.com Music: Henri F. Hemy, James G. Walton; Text: Frederick W. Faber Voices United #580 Copyright ©1996 The United Church Publishing House Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-737761. All rights reserved

# Gospel Matthew 15: 21-28 - Fenella Chiu

- 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 Canaanite Woman's Faith

<sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' <sup>24</sup> He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' <sup>26</sup> He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' <sup>27</sup> She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## Sermon – Rev. Canon Victor Li

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

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.113 Litany 4) – Amy Chiu

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish:	Transition Period
Deanery:	Mission and Outreach of Mississauga Deanery Churches

- Diocesan: The Bishop's Committee on Discipleship
- Anglican: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui
- 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: 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.

## Collect of the Day (P. 374) – Amy Chiu

Intercessor: Let us pray. All: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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) - 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.

## Offertory Hymn – God with Us

Oh You've come to bring peace to be Love To be nearer to us You've come to bring life to be Light To shine brighter in us Oh Emmanuel, God with us

(Refrain) Our Deliverer You are Saviour In Your presence we find our strength Over ev'rythingour Redemption God with us, You are God with us

Oh You've come to bring Hope to this world For Your honour and name And You've come to take sin to bear shame And to conquer the Grave Oh Emmanuel, God with us (*Refrain*)

\* You are here, You are holy
We are standing in Your glory
You are here, You are holy
We are standing in Your glory (Repeat \*)
Lord (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. 375)

All:

Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 – Praise Adonai

Who is like Him, the Lion and the Lamb, seated on the throne? Mountains bow down, every ocean roars to the Lord of hosts.

Praise Adonai, From the rising of the sun till the end of every day; Praise Adonai,

All the nations of the earth, all the angels and the saints sing praise. (*Repeat*)

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