



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

Sunday, October 15th, 2023 (10am)
20th Sunday after Pentecost
In-Person & Online
English Morning Prayer Service

Theme: Rekindle us to serve God in a changing world

This Sunday Roster

Sharing: **Vivian Kong**

Worship Leader, Gospeller (Matthew 22:1-14): **Paul Seto**

Reader 1 (*Exodus 32:1-14*), PPT Compiler: **Fenella Chiu**

Reader 2 (*Philippians 4:1-9*): **Terence Kim**

Offering Collection: **Silas Seto**

Intercessor: **Amy Chiu**

AV Team: **Tommy Kung**

Accompanist: **Michelle Zheng**

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.385) – Paul Seto

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope to which he has called us.

See Ephesians 1:17, 18

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 32:1-14 – Fenella Chiu

Reader: **The Golden Calf**

¹ When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.'² Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.'³ So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.'⁶ They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

⁷ The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"'⁹ The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰ Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

¹¹ But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the

Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people.¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever."¹⁴ And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading from Philippians 4:1-9 – Terence Kim

Reader:

¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Exhortations

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – The King of Love My Shepherd is

1. The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

3. Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me;
And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

Text: Based on Psalm 23, Henry Baker

Music: John B. Dykes

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Gospel Matthew 22:1-14 – Paul Seto

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 Parable of the Wedding Banquet**

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ 'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sharing – Vivian Kong

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.113 Litany 4) – Amy Chiu

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: Transition Period

Deanery: St. Peter's; Rev'd Roshni Jayawardena

Diocesan: Bishop's Committee on Healing Ministries

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Kenya

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. 385) – Amy Chiu

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God,
in our baptism you adopted us for your own.
Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us,
that we, being renewed both in body and mind,
may worship you in sincerity and truth;
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.**

Offertory Hymn – As the Deer

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after You
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You

(Refrain) You alone are my strength, my shield
To you alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are my King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything *(Refrain)*

I want you more than gold or silver
Only you can satisfy
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye *(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. 386)

All: **God of constant love,
in this you renew the covenant
made once with us in baptism.
As you are faithful in all things
may we, in our offering,
be faithful to our calling.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
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 – Pray with one accord in spirit

1. Pray with one accord in spirit, Not according to our thought,
But alone by the anointing, As the Lord has ever sought.

Pray with one accord in spirit, Not according to our thought,
But alone by the anointing, As the Lord has ever sought.

5. Pray with one accord in spirit, Pray and watch persistently;
For God’s kingdom and His glory, Pray and watch in harmony.
Pray with one accord in spirit, Not according to our thought,
But alone by the anointing, As the Lord has ever sought.

6. Pray with one accord in spirit, Seeking God in unity;
In the Spirit of the Body, Ever pray in harmony.
Pray with one accord in spirit, Not according to our thought,
But alone by the anointing, As the Lord has ever sought.

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Next Sunday October 22nd 10am

21st Sunday after Pentecost

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