

Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (10am) 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Remembrance Sunday In-Person & Online English Morning Prayer Service

Theme: Rekindle us to serve God in a changing world

# This Sunday Roster

Celebrant: Rev. Siu Chun Leung Sharing: Jason Kong

Worship Leader, Gospeller (*Matthew 25:1-13*): **Justin Kim** Reader 1 (*Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25*), Intercessor: **Michelle Zheng** 

Offering Collection: Joshua Lau

Reader 2 (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18): Silas Seto

PPT Compiler: **Yvonne Zheng** AV Team: **Terence Kim** 

# Introduction before starting service – Justin Kim

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.391) – Justin Kim

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Matthew 24:42, 44

# Remembrance Sunday Liturgy - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: On this Remembrance Sunday let us participate in the Act of

Remembrance

"They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will

remember them."

- Excerpt from "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon

People: We will remember them.

#### The Last Post

Please keep 2 minutes of silence in remembrance

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Celebrant: On this Remembrance Sunday we come, O Lord, in gratitude for

all who have died that we might live, for all who endured pain

that we might know joy, for all who suffered imprisonment that we might know freedom. Turn our deep feeling now into determination, and our determination into deed, that as men and women died for peace, we might live for peace for the sake of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: Eternal God, the Father of all: We commit to You the needs of the

whole world. Where there is hatred, give love; where there is injury, grant pardon; where there is distrust, restore faith; where there is sorrow, renew hope; where there is darkness, let there had light; through losus Christ our Saviour and Rodgemer.

be light; through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Redeemer.

All: Amen.

The Peace (P.192) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: 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) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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.

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) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Reading from Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 – Michelle Zheng

#### Reader: The Tribes Renew the Covenant

<sup>1</sup> Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup> And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. <sup>3a</sup> Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

<sup>14</sup> 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. <sup>15</sup> Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'

<sup>16</sup> Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup> for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup> and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

<sup>19</sup> But Joshua said to the people, 'You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. <sup>20</sup> If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.' <sup>21</sup> And the people said to Joshua, 'No, we will serve the Lord!' <sup>22</sup> Then Joshua said to the people, 'You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.' And they said, 'We are witnesses.' <sup>23</sup> He said, 'Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel.' <sup>24</sup> The people said to Joshua, 'The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.' <sup>25</sup> So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

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

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 – Silas Seto

### Reader: The Coming of the Lord

<sup>13</sup> But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. <sup>15</sup> For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. <sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

#### Gospel Hymn – Give me oil in my lamp

Give me oil in my lamp
Keep me burning
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray
Give me oil in my lamp
Keep me burning
Keep me burning till the break of day

(women) Sing hosanna (x2) (men) Sing..... Sing.....

(women) Sing hosanna to the King of kings (men) Sing hosanna to the King

(women) Sing hosanna (x2) (men) Sing...... Sing......

(all) Sing hosanna to the King! (Repeat All)

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# Gospel Matthew 25:1-13 – 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: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

¹ 'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." † Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ® The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." <sup>9</sup> But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." ¹¹ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." ¹² But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." ¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# Sharing - Jason Kong

# 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.113 Litany 4) – Michelle Zheng

Parish: New Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Siu Chun Leung Deanery: St. John the Baptist; Rev'd Daniel Brereton

Diocesan: York Central Deanery

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola (Igreja Anglicana de

Mocambique e Angola)

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, Kingsman Tang

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. 391) – Michelle Zheng

Intercessor: Let us pray.
All: **Eternal God,** 

who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them,

read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer (P.54) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: 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 – Be Thou My Vision

- 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, thine own may I be; thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- 3. Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4. High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Hymn leader and Accompanist: Daniel Yoon Lyrics: Mary Elizabeth Bryne, Eleanor H. Hull

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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. 390)

All: **Gracious God,** your word to us is food indeed.

Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living Word. Amen.

### Blessing (P.683 ii) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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.

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### Dismissal – Justin Kim

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

### Recessional Hymn – Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my saviour, Lord there is none like You; All of my days, I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength; Let every breath, all that I am, Never cease to worship You!

Shout to the Lord,
All the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, Praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands;
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand!
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You!
(Repeat All)

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#### Next Sunday November 19th 10am

#### 25th Sunday after Pentecost

### In-Person & Online English Holy Communion Service Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (Matthew 25:14-30): Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Worship Leader, Reader 2 (1 Thessalonians 5:1–11): Paul Seto

Server, PPT Compiler, Intercessor: Fenella Chiu

Reader 1 (Judges 4:1-7): Gabriel Kong

Offering Collection: Silas Seto AV Team: Tommy Kung

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