

ST. ELIZABETH'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 聖公會頌主堂 Sunday, November 19th, 2023 <u>10am</u> 25th Sunday after Pentecost English Holy Communion Service

Theme: Rekindle us to serve God in a changing world

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (Matthew 25:14–30): Rev. Siu Chun LeungWorship Leader, Reader 2 (1 Thessalonians 5:1–11): Paul SetoServer, PPT Compiler, Intercessor: Fenella ChiuReader 1 (Judges 4:1–7): Gabriel KongOffering Collection: Silas SetoAV Team: Tommy KungAV Team: Tommy Kung

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. 392) - Paul Seto

I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

John 15:5

Processional Hymn - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation! All ye who hear; now to his temple draw near, Join me in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth; Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriends thee.

4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.Let the Amen Sound from his people again;Gladly for aye we adore Him.

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The Gathering of the Community (P.185) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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

Prayer of Purity (P.185) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

- 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; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria (P.186) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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. 392-393) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

1st Reading from Judges 4:1–7 – Gabriel Kong

Reader: Deborah and Barak

All:

¹ The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. ² So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. ³ Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years.

⁴ At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. ⁵ She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. ⁶ She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, 'The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. ⁷ I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.""

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

2nd Reading from 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11 – Paul Seto

Reader:

¹ Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ² For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴ But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷ for those who sleep sleep at night,

and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.⁹ For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Gospel Hymn – Cry of My Heart

Refrain: It is the cry of my heart to follow You. It is the cry of my heart to be close to You. It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life.

(Repeat)

Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, so I can walk in Your truth. Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord, and make me wholly devoted to You. (Refrain)

Open my eyes so I can see the wonderful things that You do. Open my heart up more and more, and make me wholly devoted to You. (Refrain x2)

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Gospel Matthew 25:14-30 - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

- The Lord be with you. Reader:
- 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 Talents

¹⁴ Jesus said, 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵ to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶ The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷ In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸ But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹ After a long time the master of those slaves came and

settled accounts with them. ²⁰ Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹ His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²² And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents."²³ His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶ But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸ So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹ For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰ As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ. People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

The Nicene Creed (P.188) – Paul Seto

Let us confess our faith, as we say, 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.115 Litany 6) – Amy Chiu

Deanery: M Diocesan: F Anglican: T For Healing: E	<u>Prayer</u> New Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Siu Chun Leung Mission and Outreach of Mississauga Deanery Churches Regionalized Ministries of the Diocese The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) 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		
Intercessor:	Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."		
Intercessor:	For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.		
People:	Lord, have mercy.		
Intercessor:	For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself, let us pray to the Lord.		
People:	Lord, have mercy.		
Intercessor:	For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us pray to the Lord.		
People:	Lord, have mercy.		
Intercessor:	For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.		
People:	Lord, have mercy.		
Intercessor:	For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true		
	growth and well-being, let us pray to the Lord.		
People:	Lord, have mercy.		
Intercessor:	For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.		
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. 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.

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>

Offertory Hymn – Take My Life and Let It Be

1. Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

 Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be Swift and purposeful for Thee.

3. Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee; Take my intellect, and use Every power as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne.

 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

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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.393) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: Holy God,

All:

in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 3 (P.198-200)

– Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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.

(Proper Preface P.218)

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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 drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command, All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation,

this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (P.211) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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. Siu Chun Leung

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 - Eat This Bread Drink This Cup

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Prayer after Communion (P.393) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: Gracious God,

People:

in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Doxology (P.214) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

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. 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. (3-fold Amen)

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Dismissal – Paul Seto

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

Recessional Hymn – Here I am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

(Chorus) Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?I have heard you calling in the night.I will go, Lord, if you lead me.I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.I have wept for love of them. They turn away.I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.Finest bread I will provide, 'Til their hearts be satisfied.I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus x2)

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Next Sunday November 26th, 2023 10am Reign of Christ In-Person & Online English Morning Prayer Service Roster Celebrant, Gospeller (*Matthew 25:31-46*): Rev. Siu Chun Leung Preacher: Wilson Loo Worship Leader, Reader 2 (*Ephesians 1:15-23*): Fenella Chiu Reader 1 (*Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24*), Intercessor: Amy Chiu Offering Collection: Marissa Lau PPT Compiler: Yvonne Zheng AV Team: Terence Kim St. Elizabeth's rely on the generosity of its donors to support its ministries. Ways to make a donation: 1. Online: Donate button on our website 2. Cheque: send cheque payable to 'St. Elizabeth's Anglican Church', and mail to: 1051

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