



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

Sunday, December 31st, 2023 (10am)
1st Sunday after Christmas
In-Person & Online
English Morning Prayer Service

Theme: Rekindle us to serve God in a changing world

This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (*Luke 2:22–40*): **Rev. Siu Chun Leung**

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*Isaiah 61:10–62:3*), Intercessor: **Justin Kim**

Reader 2 (*Galatians 4:4–7*): **Silas Seto**

Offering Collection: **Marissa Lau**

PPT Compiler: **Carol Tam**

AV Team: **Tommy Kung**

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.276) – Justin Kim

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Colossians 3.15, 16

Processional Hymn – Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

1. 'Twas in the moon of wintertime, When all the birds had fled,
That mighty Gitchi Manitou Sent angel choirs instead;
Before their light the stars grew dim, And wondering hunters heard the hymn:
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.
2. Within a lodge of broken bark The tender babe was found,
A ragged robe of rabbit skin Enwrapped His beauty round;
But as the hunter braves drew nigh, The angel songrang loud and high:
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.
3. The earliest moon of wintertime Is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on The helpless Infant there.
The chiefs from far before Him knelt With gifts of fox and beaver pelt.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.
4. O children of the forest free, Beloved of Manitou,
The holy Child of earth and Heav'n Is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant Boy, Who brings you beauty, peace and joy.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.

Hymn leader and accompanist: Michelle Zheng

Music : French Traditional Melody; Text: Jean de Brébeuf

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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.**

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 >

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.**

1st Reading from Isaiah 61:10—62:3 – Justin Kim

Reader:

*61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
11 For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.*

The Vindication and Salvation of Zion

*62:1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
2 The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
3 You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

2nd Reading from Galatians 4:4–7 – Silas Seto

Reader:

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. 6 And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' 7 So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the new born King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings,
Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hymn leader: Adonis Ng

Accompaniment: www.smallchurchmusic.com

Music: Felix Mendelssohn; 詞Text: Charles Wesley 劉廷芳譯

Arr.: William Hayman Cummings

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Gospel Luke 2:22–40 – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

Reader:

Jesus Is Presented in the Temple

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹ *'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;
³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation,
³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'*

³³ *And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said
about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This
child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a
sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be
revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'*

³⁶ *There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of
Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven
years after her marriage, ³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She
never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night
and day. ³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to
speak about the child[h] to all who were looking for the redemption of
Jerusalem.*

The Return to Nazareth

³⁹ *When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they
returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ The child grew and
became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was up on him.*

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.120 Litany 13 Incarnation) – Justin Kim

Parish: New Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Siu Chun Leung
Deanery: Mission and Outreach of Mississauga Deanery Churches
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Anglican: The Anglican Church of Rwanda (Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda)
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, Joseph Leung's friend Richard Li

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor

Intercessor: In joy and humility let us pray to the creator of the universe, saying, "Lord, grant us peace."

Intercessor: By the good news of our salvation brought to Mary by the angel, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: By the mystery of the Word made flesh, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: By the birth in time of the timeless Son of God, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: By the manifestation of the King of glory to the shepherds and magi, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: By the submission of the maker of the world to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: By the baptism of the Son of God in the river Jordan, hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Intercessor: Grant that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; hear us, O Lord.

People: **Lord, grant us peace.**

Collect of the Day (P. 276) – Justin Kim

Intercessor: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God,
you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word.
May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 – What Child is This

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies He in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here The silent Word is pleading.
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

*Vocal & Guitar: Justin Kim
Text by William Chatterton Dix
Music: Melody English Traditional
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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. 277)

All: **God of light,
in the birth of your Son we see your glory.
May we who share in this mystery
grow daily in your love.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
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 – Go Tell it on the Mountain

(Refrain) Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!

1. While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light.

2. The shepherds feared and trembled When lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Saviour's birth.

3. Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn.

Hymn leader: Vivian Kong

Electronic Accompaniment: Joanne Loo

Music: African American spiritual; Text: John Wesley

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Next Sunday January 7th **10am**

Baptism of the Lord

In-Person & Online English Holy Communion Service Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (*Mark 1:4–11*): **Rev. Siu Chun Leung**

Worship Leader, Reader 1 (*Genesis 1:1–5*), Intercessor: **Paul Seto**

Reader 2 (*Acts 19:1–7*): **Michelle Zheng**

Song Leader, Accompaniment: **Justin Kim**

Server: **Fenella Chiu**

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