



# Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 10:30am Easter Sunday Joint Holy Communion Service

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Theme: Take root downwards, Bear fruit upwards, Live in Christ (Isa. 37:31)

#### This Sunday Roster

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (John 20:1-18): Rev. Siu Chun Leung
Lay Reader, Psalm (118:1-2, 14-24): Wilson Loo

Server: Joel Chiu

Reader 1 (Acts 10:34-43), Intercessor: Amy Chiu Greeter, Sidesperson: Bing Wong

Reader 2 (1 Corinthians 15:1–11): Tammy Pang Bee Team: Ophelia Chiu

Envelope Secretaries: Josephine Cheung, Kenny Pang Accompanist, Hymn Leaders: Joanne Loo, Justin Kim

PPT Compiler, PPT Controller: Fenella Chiu AV Team: Tommy Kung

#### Introduction before starting service – Wilson Loo

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.

#### Prepare for worship – Come Now is the Time to Worship

#### Opening Sentence (P. 335) – Wilson Loo

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

#### Opening Hymn – #190 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

- 1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
- 2. Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing: Alleluia! unto Christ our heav'nly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky He's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing: Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above: Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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Greeting (P.185) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Prayer of Purity - 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 - 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. 292) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Lord of life and power,

through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death

and have made all things new in him.

May we, being dead to sin

and alive to you in Jesus Christ,

reign with him in glory,

who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

# 1st Reading from Acts 10:34-43 - Amy Chiu

#### Reader:

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. 37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

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

#### Choir Anthem - Risen Indeed

(Refrain) Risen indeed, yes, risen indeed!

Jesus my Lord is risen indeed!

Oh, death, where is your victory?

Jesus my Lord is risen indeed!

Early in the morning, about the break of day, On that Easter morning, the stone was rolled away. Mary saw an angel, this is what he said,

"Why do you seek the living Out here among the dead?" Don't you know that He's... (Refrain)

On the road to Emmaus, two disciples cried; Their hearts were so heavy, for they thought their Lord had died,

Then Jesus walked beside them, And as He broke the bread, They knew that Christ was living, Just as the prophet said, Now they know that He's... (Refrain)

Then the disciples gathered, And saw His hands and side. Even doubting Thomas was finally satisfied.

Then Jesus said, "Get ready!
I want you all to go
To tell everybody so all the world will know."
Tell them He's...

Risen indeed, yes, risen indeed! Jesus my Lord is risen indeed! Death has lost its mighty sting. All creation join and sing! Shout it 'til the rafters ring! Jesus my Lord is risen indeed, indeed!

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#### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 - Wilson Loo

Leader: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

People: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

People: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

Leader: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

the right hand of the LORD is exalted;

the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

# People: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

Leader: The LORD has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

# People: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

Leader: I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People: The LORD is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 – Tammy Pang

#### Reader:

#### The Resurrection of Christ

<sup>1</sup> Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup> through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

#### Gospel Hymn – Because He Lives

God sent His son, they called Him Jesus He came to love, heal, and forgive. He lived and died to buy my pardon, An empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives.

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow.
Because He lives, all fear is gone.
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

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# Gospel John 20:1-18 - 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 *John*.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Resurrection of Jesus

<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.

# Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 12 and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. 13 They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' 14 When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' 16 Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Sermon - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

#### The Nicene Creed (P.188) – Wilson Loo

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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 – Amy Chiu

# Parish Cycle of Prayer

Parish: 2024 Ministry Plans

Deanery: Mission and Outreach of Mississauga Deanery Churches

Diocesan: Easter day

Anglican: The Church in the Province of the West Indies

For Healing: Tommy Lam, Esther Chen, Susan Xu's mother Dian-Lan Feng, Aileen Lu,

Andy Ng's parents Kim Tung Ng and Sau Fong Cheung, Kingsman Tang,

Pastor Tom Ho, Michael Ning's father Joseph Ning

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor
Intercessor:In joy and hope let us pray to the Father saying, "Hear our prayer"

Intercessor: That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, we pray to the Father.

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter, we pray to the Father.

People: **Hear our prayer.** 

Intercessor: That God may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, we pray to the Father.

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, we pray to the Father.

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the world, we pray to the Father.

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, we pray to the Father.

People: **Hear our prayer.** 

Intercessor: That, according to his promises, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day, we pray to the Father.

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, we pray to the Father.

People: **Hear our prayer.** 

Intercessor: Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

# Confession (P.191) - Wilson Loo

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.

Leader: Most merciful God,

All: 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

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#### Offertory Hymn - #382 O Jesus, I Have Promised

- 1. O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; Be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.
- 2. O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.
- 3. O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.
- 4. O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be. And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

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#### Prayer over the Gifts (P.336) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this

day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the

resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 1 (P.193-5)

- 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.

Celebrant: It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God,

for you created all things.

You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us.
When we turned away from you in sin,

When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us,

but opened a path of salvation for all people.

You made a covenant with Israel,

and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets

you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints

who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise 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: Holy God, source of life and goodness,

all creation rightly gives you praise.

In the fullness of time,

you sent your Son Jesus Christ,

to share our human nature,

to live and die as one of us,

to reconcile us to you,

the God and Father of all.

He healed the sick

and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;

he opened the eyes of the blind

and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom

to the poor and to those in need.

In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. now and for ever.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

> Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is 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.213 #8 Easter) - Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life. Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### 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 - Alleluia

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# Prayer after Communion (P.336) – Rev. Siu Chun Leung

Celebrant: God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection

promised in this Easter sacrament.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

People: 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.

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#### Recessional Hymn – #188 The Day of Resurrection

- 1. The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; The passover of gladness, the passover of God. From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, Our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.
- 2. Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light; And, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain, His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.
- 3. Now let the heav'ns be joyful, Let earth her song begin, The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein; Let all things seen and unseen their notes together blend, For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

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#### Dismissal – Wilson Loo

Leader: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

# Next Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> 10am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

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

Celebrant, Preacher, Gospeller (John 20:19-31): **Rev. Canon Victor Li** Worship Leader, Reader 1 (Acts 4:32–35), Intercessor: **Justin Kim** 

Reader 2 (1 John 1:1-2:2): Gabriel Kong

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