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## **Trinity Sunday**

**12 June 2022**

**Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.**

**Radio Broadcast Service**

(\* : Congregation stands)

### **APPROACH**

**PREPARATION SONG** “Holy Spirit Come”. – Composer: T. Chan

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

\* **HYMN** “Holy, Holy, Holy” – Music: J.B.Dykes; Lyrics: R. Heber

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ALL RESPOND** “Kyrie Eleison” (Lord, have mercy) – Trad Orthodox

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.**

\* **HYMN** “Amazing Grace” – Music: Trad; Lyrics: J. Newton

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Your Word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet.

**A light to our path.**

Proverbs 8: 1-4, 21-31 (OT)

Romans 5: 1-5 (NT)

John 16: 12 -15 (NT)

Lord, may Your Word live in us.

**And bear much fruit for Your glory.**

\* **HYMN** “God of Creation Gentle Life Giver”

– Music: Trad; Lyrics: C. Mitchell

**FAMILY TALK**

**SERMON** “Peace, Hope and the Trinity”

\* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** -

## THE OFFERTORY

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### LORD'S PRAYER

ALL RESPOND "O Lord Hear Our Prayer"

– Music: Taize

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

#### THE PEACE

\* HYMN "Shine Jesus Shine"

– Composer: G. Kendrick

\* COMMISSION and BLESSING

#### Off Air

### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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*God does nothing except in response to believing prayer.* – John Wesley

**Please remember as you pray. . .**

- Covid numbers in Hong Kong once again seem to have stabilized. There is much confusion surrounding the new vaccination rules. May God help us to understand better and let us give our continual thanks to God and look towards the day when all this will be in the past.
- The war in Ukraine continues to claim more lives as Russian forces push to control the city of Severodonetsk. Victory in this area will secure the Donbas region. In the city of Mariupol, the casualties discovered from the battle are increasing as more bodies are uncovered. Pray for peace throughout the world.
- The first flight of the controversial plan for the deportation of refugees to the African nation of Rwanda, suggested by the British government, is scheduled for 14 June. Several refugees on that flight are currently on hunger strike in protest of this move by the British government. May more people be involved in stopping this scheme from happening so that all those seeking asylum in the UK will be treated in the same way.
- The continued economic crash in Lebanon is taking its toll on everyone. Power outages, massive depreciation of the nation's currency, and shortages of fuel and medicines. One group sadly overlooked are those incarcerated in the nation's prisons. They are overcrowded, and inmates have no access to primary medical care unless they can pay for it privately. May their needs and voices be met and heard.
- A rescue ship owned by an NGO carrying nearly 100 people has issued an ultimatum to the Government of Italy that it would dock without authorisation to bring those they had rescued to safety. The numbers of those who are aboard the ship include 30 unaccompanied minors. May God protect those on board and keep them safe.

- Protesters in Tunisia seek to denounce the defamation of sacked female judges by President Kais Saied. Those dismissed have since faced online attacks and additional accusations raised against them. We pray for their protection and reinstatement.
- This week a popular snack food franchise store has closed up shop. Aji Ichiban has been present on our streets since 1993. The company still had 30 branches throughout the city, offering employment to 100 workers. The pandemic and the drop in the tourist trade are cited as the cause of the closure.
- Six people have been arrested in Hong Kong as authorities sought to restrict public commemoration of the Tiananmen Square massacre last week. All six are being held in custody.
- Hong Kong's outgoing Chief Executive Carrie Lam shared in her last question-and-answer session in Legco that though these years in governance have been some of the most challenging Hong Kong has seen, she is satisfied that she overcame the difficulties. She leaves the post with no regrets. We pray that the Lord will guide Hong Kong and those in governance so that the voices of the people will be heard.
- A Hong Kong start-up has joined forces with Sino Group, the developer, to upcycle plastic waste into sustainable construction materials. EcoBricks are made from recycled plastics, and the product quality is in line with or exceeds international standards. As cities like ours struggle to dispose of so much waste, we pray this project will continue to grow.

## **For the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle**

We lift up in prayer today the churches and people of all faiths in **Botswana and Zimbabwe**.

### **We are thankful for:**

- the prophetic witness of churches to protest injustices and advocate good governance
- efforts that have been made to stem the spread of HIV and AIDS and to treat those affected
- economic progress that improves the lives of all
- the iconic animals and minerals in these lands and measures to protect them from being exploited.

### **We pray for:**

- fair election of democratic governments to counter instability, violence and human rights abuses
- stable economies that enable all people to prosper and live in justice and peace
- effective measures to improve the health and life expectancy of all
- the biodiversity and animals present in these lands, and measures to preserve them

- the herders and farmers who continue to raise cattle and food, despite droughts and desertification.

## **For the Congregation**

- We pray for Asha Melwani, the mother of Alex, Mrs Samuel, Jenny Alegre, Hend, Jeanette Lee, Rachel Perry, Ng Kam Lee, Raymond Lau, Chung Yoke Chin, Chui, and Ramon Bultron. We remember those providing care for loved ones at home and in care facilities.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Welcome!**

Welcome to Worship – it is so good to be worshipping together and with those joining us through Facebook live streaming and this morning those joining us on RTHK Radio 4.

### **Broadcast Sunday**

Our worship service today will be on air through RTHK, Radio 4. You may listen to it on RTHK archives afterwards ([www.rthk.hk](http://www.rthk.hk) – search under “Church Service”).

### **Weekly Programs in Church.**

Tuesday – Peacemaking Fellowship at 10 am (No. 2 Jordan Road)

Wednesday – Harambe Choir at 6:30 pm

Friday – Bible Study – online at 10:30 am

### **Friday Morning Bible Study – Online**

Join us in Bible Study on Friday morning at 10:30 as we explore ‘Becoming Church’. If you are interested, don't hesitate to contact Pastor Maggie.

### **Become a Member of Kowloon Union Church**

New members can be received by transfer, bond of union, a restatement of faith, or baptism. Interested in talking about this further? Have a word with our ministers, Phyllis Wong or Maggie Mathieson.

	<b>TODAY 12 June</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK 19 June – Refugee Sunday</b>
Liturgist:	Maggie Mathieson	Phyllis Wong
Preacher:	Judy Chan	Aime Girimana & Peacemaking Fellowship
Pianist:	Cheryl Hui	Lucy Lim
Lector:	Jennifer Chan	Peacemaking Fellowship
Intercessory Prayers:	Tory Caplan	Peacemaking Fellowship
Family Talk:	Tong Chong Sze	Rey Asis
Greeter:	Edwina Antonio plus others	Kevin Ng plus others
Offering Rota:	Chan Beng Seng Vikki Chan	Peacemaking Fellowship
Sunday School Leaders:	Cecilia Yeung	Jailyn Tomitis
I.T. Team:	Lo Yuk Fai	Tony Chan

Last Sunday's offering: HK\$4,911  
Promissory offering last week: HK\$14,700