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WHERE ALL ARE ONE

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Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
24 July 2022
Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

(* : Congregation stands)

APPROACH

PREPARATION SONG "Lead Me Lord"

– Composer: S. Wesley

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

* **HYMN** "Praise My Soul The King of Heaven" – Music: J Goss Words: H F Lyte

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL RESPOND "God is Forgiveness"

– Music: Taize Community

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE WORD OF GOD

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.

* **HYMN** "Seek Ye First"

– Composer: K Lafferty

SCRIPTURE READING

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

A light to our path.

Psalm 138 (O.T.)

Colossians 2: 6 – 15 (N.T.)

Luke 11: 1 – 13 (N.T.)

Lord, may Your Word live in us.

And bear much fruit for Your glory.

* **HYMN** "For I'm Building a People of Power"

– Composer: D Richards

FAMILY TALK

SERMON

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE OFFERTORY

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MISSION MOMENT - Association of Indonesian Migrant Workers in
Hong Kong – ATKI-HK

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL RESPOND "O Lord, Hear Our Prayer" – Taize Community

OFFERTORY

THE PEACE

* **HYMN** "Loving Creator" – Music: Trad Filipino Words : D T Niles

* **COMMISSION and BLESSING**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

Please remember as you pray. . .

- Wildfires are raging across Europe as unprecedented heatwaves intensified drought conditions. Due to the ever-rising temperatures, more than 1500 people have died. May God bring comfort to those who have lost loved ones and strength to those fighting the fires and caring for the sick.
- Pray for peace in Ukraine. With the introduction of longer-range weapons, the military focus of the Russian forces is no longer "only" the east. These will open up the area of conflict and bring more casualties. We pray for more talks of peace and cease-fire and not that of appeals for more weapons.
- The Government of Chad has banned young girls from leaving the country without parental permission; there is no age limit set in the implementation of this ban. The government see this move as protection against exploitation. But the Chadian Women's Rights League said the ban contradicted the principles of the fundamental freedom of young girls and human rights; according to the group, the law is also sexist as many young Chadian boys are also the victims of human trafficking. All young people should be treated fairly and justly, offering them freedom and protection.
- Health authorities in Ghana and Nigeria are on high alert under the threat of the deadly Marburg Virus, a highly infectious disease in the same genre as Ebola. We pray for the medical care needed to deal with this virus and its containment.
- Ranil Wickremesinghe was selected and sworn in as Sri Lanka's new leader amidst protests and outrage from the island's people. As many struggle to survive daily, we pray those in governance will work together to revive the economy, listen to the voices of the people and enable them to live.
- We pray for all those dealing with Covid- 19, both patients and carers, in Hong Kong, as daily case numbers grow close to 4000. We thank God that those with named subvariant strains can quarantine at home.

- The Hong Kong Government has promised to put young people at the forefront of policymaking. During an interview, Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs Alice Mak reminded those in authority to show sincerity while reaching out to youngsters and hearing them out. May this be a priority for the government, and may it be fulfilled.
- We pray for all students recently receiving their DSE results here in Hong Kong. For those who have attained all they had hoped for and for those who have not, may God guide them on the way forward.

For the Congregation

- We pray for the mothers of Alex Melwani, Helen Lee and Florence Tse, for Mrs Samuel, Jenny Alegre, Hend, Jeanette Lee, Rachel Perry, Ng Kam Lee, Raymond Lau, Chung Yoke Chin, Chui, Ramon Bultron, Kevin Ng and Stella Chan. We remember those caring for loved ones at home and in care facilities.
- Please remember our brother Ramon tomorrow in your prayers as he will undergo heart surgery.

For the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

We lift in prayer the churches and people of all faiths in Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda.

We are **thankful** for:

- the abundant natural resources in the DRC and the mountainous beauty of Rwanda and Burundi
- those who have worked for healing and reconciliation in Rwanda, especially after the genocide
- the tireless efforts of churches and community organizations, working with the support of humanitarian organizations, to improve the living conditions of the people.

We **pray** for:

- an end to poverty and hunger, and improved access to health services, especially for the young, that they might have hope for their future
- an end to rebel movements across borders and the political instability this stirs up
- just economic development that does not exploit Creation and people
- democratic election of less corrupt governments that work for the sake of all.
- for an end to church divisions forced by the government in Burundi.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

Welcome to all who join our worship in church and through Facebook live streaming. We especially welcome the Very Revd KK Chan, who will share the Word of God with us today.

Our Preacher Today

The Very Revd Kwok-Keung Chan (KK) has been the Dean of St John's Cathedral since 1 May 2021. Before his appointment at St John's, he was the Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kowloon. Dean KK has been involved in various ministries in the Provincial and Diocesan levels. Dean KK trained for ordination at Ming Hua Theological College, HK Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Church).

Weekly Programs in Church

- Sunday – Movie Sunday. “Migrant Women Rise: Stories of Red Tagged Overseas Filipino Workers” at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
 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
 – Junior Choir in KUC at 4 pm

Today’s Movie Sunday

Organised by the Mission, Outreach and Fellowship Committee

The documentary follows two migrant leaders who are victims of red-tagging under the Duterte Administration as they defend the rights of their fellow migrants while navigating the challenges of life far from home. Directed by Carl Cathedral. Produced by Hong Kong Campaign for Human Rights and Peace in the Philippines. Runtime: 70 min.

Next Week Sunday 31 July – ‘A Journey to our Heart - through Mandala Art Workshop’

Facilitated by the Care and Fellowship Committee

Time: 1:30 to 3:30 pm Lower Fellowship Hall

Capacity: Limited to 20 people

Please register using the link below: <https://forms.gle/HdY1uPrdtLu5gJSe6>

KUC Is Still Recruiting

We have extended the submission for applications until 25 July.

Kowloon Union Church (KUC) is recruiting a half-time Wedding and Administrative Assistant to support church weddings, assist with Sunday worship, and assist with other church programs. More information on the church notice board.

	TODAY 24 July	NEXT WEEK 31 July
Liturgist:	Maggie Mathieson	Maggie Mathieson
Preacher:	K K Chan	Hope Antone
Pianist:	Jessica Tso	Lucy Lim
Lector:	David Onwufuju	Harry Chan
Intercessory Prayers:	Amber Tong	Sunita Suna
Family Talk:	Mayson Fung	Lydia Cathedral
Greeter:	Susana Babasa plus others	Stanley Ho plus others
Offering Rota:	Doris Lee Harry Chan	Aimé Girimana Journaliz Badon
Sunday School Leaders:	Jailyn Tomitis	Lydia Cathedral
I.T. Team:	Tony Chan	Tong Chong Sze

Last Sunday’s offering: HK\$5,419-
 Promissory offering last week: HK\$1,600-
 Welfare Fund: HK\$5,000-