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Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
7 November 2021
Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion Service

(* : Congregation stands)

APPROACH

PREPARATION SONG “Holy Spirit Come” – Composer: Timothy Chan
* **CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 113
* **HYMN** “10,000 Reasons” – Composers: Matt Redman and Jonas Myrin
CALL TO CONFESSION
HARAMBE “Senzenina” – (What Have We Done?) Music: Trad
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE WORD OF GOD

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.

KUC SINGERS “We Gather Together”

– Music: Dutch Folk Tune; Lyrics: Anon tr. Theodore Baker

READING “Because He First Loved Me” – Fanny Crosby

KUC JUNIOR CHOIR “Jesus Loves Me”

– Music: William Bradbury Lyrics: Anna Bartlett Warner

SCRIPTURE READING John 3:10–21 (N.T.)

DAMBANA “God So Loved The World” – Composer: John Stainer

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE OFFERTORY

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ALL RESPOND “Ubi Caritas” (Where there is charity, there is God)

– Composer: Taize Community

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN “You Are Holy, You Are Whole” – Composer: Per Harling

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION – During the distribution we have a Viola solo from Caden Lam

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

* **HYMN** “Community Of Christ”

–Music: Trad. arr Meyer Lyon; Lyrics: Shirley Erena Murray

* **COMMISSION and BLESSING** “Thuma Mina” (Send Me Jesus)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

Please remember as you pray. . .

- For the success of the COP26 meeting and that those nations pledging to make a difference will follow through completely with the promises made.
- More action to be taken as we try to preserve our worlds natural resources and lifeforms. We commend the announcement from Ecuador that the marine reserve around the Galapagos will be expanded by 60,000 sq. km.
- The work of the International Criminal Court investigating whether crimes against humanity were committed during Venezuela’s crackdown on anti-government protests in 2017.
- All of our friends celebrating the festival of Diwali throughout the world. As the lights are burning sharing such hope, fear is ever present in the hearts of the Indian people celebrating still in the shadow of Covid 19 which has claimed the lives of over 450,000 people in the country.
- The people and the re-elected Government in Japan that they may build on what they have started together.
- The Hong Kong Government has announced that starting 11 November, Covid Booster shots will be available for various high-risk groups. Including people with compromised immune systems and those aged 60 or above.
- For hope in the Justice system of Hong Kong as the top court has ruled that people cannot be convicted of taking part in an unlawful assembly or rioting if they are physically absent from the scene. This overturns the ruling of the lower court on the legal doctrine of “joint enterprise”.
- For the youth of Hong Kong as a recent survey has shown that one in two secondary school pupils feel stressed out and around the same number report having symptoms of depression.

For the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

- We lift up in prayer today the churches and people of all faiths in Oceania: American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia (Maohi Nui), Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.
- **We are thankful for**
 - the amazing diversity of people and cultures living on the islands of Oceania
 - the magnificent natural scenery and sea life
 - the strong, faithful presence of churches in these lands
 - the stories and bold witness to the impact of climate change, reminding the rest of the world that we are all in the same ‘boat’ on this planet, 70 percent of which is covered by the ocean.
- **We pray for**
 - efforts to preserve these island nations in the midst of rising seas
 - those adversely affected by earthquakes, volcanoes and cyclones
 - those dealing with the legacy of past nuclear weapons testing and with garbage dumping today
 - good governance – especially in preserving indigenous cultures –which effectively serves those who are impoverished, hungry, lacking education or unable to make a living.

For the Congregation

- We to pray for Som, the mother of Sameth in Cambodia, Asha Melwani the mother of Alex, and Mrs Samuel, Jenny Alegre, Hend, Jeanette and Doris Lee, Rachel Perry, Ng Kam Lee. We also lift up all in need of strength for recovery of body, mind and spirit.
- We thank God for the safe arrival of a beautiful baby boy – born on Thursday 4 November – a son for Lydia and Carl. Both Mother and child are doing well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

Welcome, all who join our Sunday Worship in person and through Facebook live streaming today. It is good to have you together with us in this time of worship.

Weekly Programs in Church.

- **First Sunday Yum Cha** – Following worship those joining the Yum Cha please follow Kevin Ng or Paul Wong from our Care and Fellowship team.
- **Bible study online Monday at 11:00 a.m.** – We will take a short break of one week and resume our study time on Monday 15 November. Please contact Pastor Maggie if you are interested in joining the study group.

- **Peacemaking Fellowship** on Tuesday the group will be on retreat at Tao Fung Shan Christian Centre.
- **Wednesday Evening Harambe Choir @ 6 p.m.**
- **Friday – Junior Choir @ 3 p.m.**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)

The EGM will take place on Sunday, 21 November after worship. The purpose is to present and pass the budget for 2022.

Church Clean Up Days

Friday 26 and Saturday 27 November – More details to follow

Congregational Retreat

Date: 28 November 2021 Time: 12:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (After Worship)

Venue: Fanling Baptist Camp Site

Theme: Born Anew; Come and join us as we prepare for a new church year and reflect on our faith in these times of uncertainty and change.

	TODAY	NEXT WEEK 14 November
Liturgist:	Maggie Mathieson	Hope Antone Doris Lee
Preacher:	~	Phyllis Wong
Pianist:	Lucy Lim	Cheryl Hui
Lector:	Peter Youngblood	Cynthia Leung Paul Wong
Intercessory Prayers:	Phyllis Wong	Sunita Suna Edwina Antonio
Family Talk:	Junior Choir	Rey Asis Kevin Ng Aimé Girimana Tong Chong Sze Maggie Mathieson
Greeter:	Paul Wong Mercy Matilda	Sunita Suna Edwina Antonio
Offering Rota:	Cynthia Leung Aimé Girimana	Rey Asis Kevin Ng
Sunday School Leaders:	No Sunday School	Gabi Baumgartner
I.T. Team:	Chris Wong Modeste	Chris Wong Bervinder Kaur

Last Sunday's offering: HK\$3,193- Promissory offering last week: HK\$11,760- Retiring offering: HK\$590-
