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WHERE ALL ARE ONE

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Kowloon Union Church **17 October 2021** Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

(* : Congregation stands)

APPROACH

PREPARATION SONG "Bless The Lord My Soul" – Taize Community

* CALL TO WORSHIP

* **HYMN** "How Great Thou Art" – Music Trad Swedish;

Lyrics:Carl Boberg; Translation: Stuart K Hine

CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL RESPOND "Kyrie Eleison" (Lord, Have Mercy) – Trad Russian Orthodox **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

THE WORD OF GOD

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.

* HYMN "Shout to The Lord"

- Composer: Darlene Zschech

SCRIPTURE READING

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

A light to our path.

Psalm 104: 1 – 9 (O.T) Mark 10: 35 – 45 (N.T.) Lord, may Your Word live in us.

And bear much fruit for Your glory.

* **HYMN** "Brother, Sister Let Me Serve You" - Composer: Richard Gillard FAMILY TALK SERMON "Are You Able To Drink The Cup That I Drink ?" *** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

THE OFFERTORY CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE LORD'S PRAYER (in your own language) ALL RESPOND "O Lord Hear Our Prayer" — Taize Community OFFERTORY THE PEACE * HYMN "Jesus Christ Is Waiting" — Music: Trad French; Lyrics: John Bell * COMMISSION and BLESSING

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

Please remember as you pray...

- Those throughout the world dealing with Covid-19 and its variants; For frontline workers, carers at home, those dealing with slow Covid. Those who have lost their lives and those who are left behind.
- Give thanks that as a territory Hong Kong will donate 7.5 million doses of AstraZeneca to Covax, the global vaccine sharing platform.
- For those who this week lost their lives to acts of violence and terrorism. Particularly we remember those in Afghanistan and Norway.
- The 126 migrant lives that were rescued from a shipping container, abandoned at the side of the road in Guatemala by traffickers who promised to take the group to the USA.
- With thanks for the safe return of Sister Gloria, a Columbian nun, who was kidnapped in 2017 by Islamic rebels in Mali where she was serving the people.
- With international sanctions imposed over North Korea and with the Covid blockade in place, food availability is worsening in the country. The children and the elderly, the most vulnerable in society are at risk of starvation.
- Those who have lost their lives in the tower block fire in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, those who are injured, those who did the work of rescuing and recovery and those who are left behind.

- For Hong Kong and her struggle for democracy and for those who have already given their lives in the struggle. Yet another icon of the history of democracy is about to disappear. The University of Hong Kong has demanded that the statue 'Pillar of Shame' to be removed from the grounds of the University by the now-defunct Hong Kong Alliance. The artist Jens Galschiot has claimed his work and is not contending the action.
- The promise of more affordable housing for people may become a reality for all here in Hong Kong.

For the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

• We lift up in prayer today the churches and people of all faiths in **Belize**, **Guatemala**, **Honduras**, **Mexico**.

• We are thankful for the cultures and foods distinctive here, yet enjoyed around the world; indigenous and other groups who have resisted injustice and human rights violations; church leaders who have spoken out and acted on behalf of the poor and marginalized; developments that improve life for all, while also caring for the environment.

• We pray for stable, democratically elected governments committed to the peace and wellbeing of all; comfort and healing for the families and loved ones of those who have been killed or disappeared, and for those responsible to be brought to justice; stopping corruption, drug traffic, and violence, and those who profit from such activities; improved economic life and trade policies so that people will not be exploited and can pursue livelihoods in these countries rather than migrating elsewhere for work.

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.

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.

- Alternative Workshop @ 1:30 pm in the Lower Fellowship Hall
- **Bible study online Monday at 11:00 a.m**. We continue to take a look at "The Fruit of the Spirit". Please contact Pastor Maggie if you are interested in joining the study group.

- Peacemaking Fellowship on Tuesday @ 10:30 am.
- Wednesday Evening Harambe Choir @ 6 pm
- Friday Junior Choir @ 3 pm

<u> 17 October – International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</u></u>

The observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty can be traced back to 17 October 1987. On that day, over 100,000 people gathered at the Trocadéro in Paris, where the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was signed in 1948, to honour the victims of extreme poverty, violence and hunger. They proclaimed that poverty is a violation of human rights and affirmed the need to come together to ensure that these rights are respected.

Source https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-for-eradicating-poverty

10th Anniversary of One Body In Christ Church (OBIC)

OBIC will celebrate her 10th anniversary in October. The Church has invited friends from KUC to join their Thanksgiving Service at 6 pm on 16 October and a special service on 30 October with their members' performance. OBIC is a Cantonese speaking congregation welcoming people from all walks of lives especially the marginalized. Their inclusive manner that embraces diversity is in line with KUC's Motto of "Where All Are One". We pray that OBIC will continue to shine as the light of Christ in the local community and beyond. May God bless them and give them strength amid uncertainty and challenges.

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.

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Liturgist: Maggie Mathieson	Maggie Mathieson
Preacher: Muriel Orevillo Montenegro	Peter Youngblood
Pianist: Eric Sin	Jessica Hui
Lector: Guy Syrett	Witness Blessing Lukuba
Intercessory Prayers: Cecilia Yeung	Pastor Joram Calimutan
Family Talk: Chan Beng Seng	Phyllis Wong
Sunday School: Lydia Catedral	Jaylin Tomitis
I.T. Team: Carl Catedral, Monkey Lui	Chris Wong, Bervinder Kaur
Offering: Aimé Girimana, Vivian Lee	Hope Antone, Kevin Ng
Greeter: Kevin Ng, Holly Chui	Lucy Lim, Vikki Chan
Last Sunday's offering: \$ 4967.10	Promissory offering: \$ 5600
Retiring Offering: \$ 772.60	Peacemaking: \$ 5000