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Kowloon Union Church WHERE ALL ARE ONE

# 3 July 2022 at 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Communion Sunday

(\*: Congregation stands)

# **APPROACH**

PREPARATION SONG "Our Eyes Are Turned" – Taize Community \* CALL TO WORSHIP \* HYMN "Praise To Lord The Almighty" – Composer: Joachim Neander CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL RESPOND "Change My Heart, O God" – Composer: Eddie Espinosa ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

# THE WORD OF GOD

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.

KUC SINGERS "God Will Make A Way" – Composer: Don Moen SCRIPTURE READING

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

A light to our path.

Psalm 30 (O.T) Luke 10: 1 – 20 (N.T) Lord, may Your Word live in us. And bear much fruit for Your glory.

FAMILY TALK SERMON \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH <u>THE OFFERTORY</u> CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ALL RESPOND "The Kingdom of God" – Taize Community OFFERING

## OFFERTORY PRAYER THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PEACE HYMN "For Everyone Born" – Composer: Shirley E. Murray INVITATION PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING SANCTUS WORDS OF INSTITUTION PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT THE LORD'S PRAYER DISTRIBUTION POST-COMMUNION PRAYER \* HYMN "Go Tell Everyone" – Composer: H. Richards \* COMMISSION and BLESSING <u>CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH</u>

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

## Please remember as you pray...

- We continue to pray for the Covid situation in Hong Kong as the numbers have risen to over 2000 cases daily. However, while the numbers are growing steadily, officials have noted that there has not been a sudden surge in cases.
- Authorities are considering designating specific hospitals to treat positive Covid cases in preparation should there be another surge.
- Less than a week after we celebrated refugees in our community, our newspapers shared the horrific news from Europe and the United States of America. In Europe, officials openly attacked a group of refugees striving to reach the Melilla enclave on the Morrocan-Spanish border. In the USA Migrant Smuggling has claimed the lives of 53 people. May God heal the wounds of the injured and comfort those who have lost loved ones. May the Lord protect us all from those who would profit from the lives of others.
- On Wednesday, NATO agreed to put over 300,000 troops at high readiness from 2023. This is a massive increase from the 40,000 soldiers previously placed on high alert. This new military line-up is designed to counter better Russia, the country the alliance has designated as posing the most significant threat. The new approach resembles how NATO forces organised their forces during the Cold War. We pray the need for these troops to be deployed will never happen.
- We pray for the success and continued commitment of the Kenyan government in their plans to build safe houses in Saudi Arabia for migrant workers who are abuse victims. May other countries see the promise and property of such action for their citizens working overseas.
- Ferdinand Marcos Junior has been sworn in as President of the Philippines, with Sara Duterte, the daughter of the outgoing president, sworn in as the vice president. May they govern wisely and heed the cries of the people.

• 1 July was the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the inauguration of the incoming John Lee administration. May the voices of the people be heard and served.

## 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, Ramon Bultron and Kevin Ng. We remember those caring for loved ones at home and in care facilities.
- May God's hand of love and peace comfort Pastor Joram Calimutan and his extended family as they grieve the loss of their dear mother, Maura H Calimutan. Pastor Joram will return to the Philippines tomorrow to pay his last respects. May the Lord guide his way and keep him safe.
- Pray for members of our community who are now travelling for work or finally able to travel to be with family and friends.

## For the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

We lift in prayer the churches and people of all faiths in Sudan, South Sudan and Uganda.

## We are thankful for:

- how the churches in Sudan and in South Sudan, as well as Ecumenical Network Sudan, have consistently pursued peace processes, healing and reconciliation in these war-ravaged countries
- those who work to bring justice for the victims of genocide and war crimes, including the International Criminal Court
- the many who carry out humanitarian work in these countries and who settle those who are displaced
- the economic progress and peacebuilding that has occurred in Uganda, and for effective measures to curb the spread of HIV and AIDS.

## We pray for:

- a cessation of ethnic animosities and violence, and increased understanding between ethnic and religious groups
- an end to the rape and practices of genital mutilation of girls and women
- governments to respect the will and best interests of their people and the human rights of all
- natural resources to be preserved and the land saved from further desertification.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Today**

Welcome to all who join our worship in church and through Facebook live streaming.

## **Council Office Bearers**

Last Sunday we had the Commissioning of the Council and Trustees of KUC. After worship our Council met and they elected the office bearers for the coming year. Please remember our Council and Trustees in your prayers.

The new Trustees chairperson for 2022-2023 is Chan Beng Seng

The office-bearers of the Council 2022 – 2023 are: Council Chair: Doris Lee; Vice-Chair : Rey Asis;

Secretary : Jennifer Chan

#### Weekly Programs in Church.

Tuesday	– Peacemaking Fellowship at 10 am (No. 2 Jordan Road)	
	Monthly Taize Prayer in KUC @ 7:30pm	
Wednesday	– Harambe Choir at 6:30 pm	
Friday	– Bible Study – online at 10:30 am	
-	Junior Choir in KUC @ 4pm	

#### KUC Junior Choir

If you or your child is interested in joining the Junior choir, please speak with Pastor Maggie for more information.

### Next Sunday in KUC

Next Sunday will be a Broadcast Worship Service, please try and be in church a little earlier to practice our hymns.

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

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

### KUC is Recruiting - Recruitment of a Half-time Wedding and Administrative Assistant

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.

#### How to apply

Please send your CV and letter of application to the Recruitment Committee of Kowloon Union Church, at <u>kuc@kuc.hk</u> with the subject line "Application for Wedding and Administrative Assistant" before 10 July 2022.

	TODAY	NEXT WEEK 10 July
Liturgist:	Phyllis Wong	Maggie Mathieson
Preacher:	Maggie Mathieson	Phyllis Wong
Pianist:	Cheryl Hui	Lucy Lim
Lector:	Venus Cheng	Holly Chui
Intercessory Prayers:	Rey Asis	Peter Youngblood
Family Talk:	Tong Chong Sze	Chan Beng Seng
Greeter:	Paul Wong plus others	Edwina Antonio plus others
Offering Rota:	Cynthia Leung	Harry Chan
	Chan Beng Seng	Anjenette Bolanos
Sunday School Leaders:	Jailyn Tomitis	Jailyn Tomatis
I.T. Team:	Chris Wong	Lo Yuk Fai

#### For more details, see the full job description on the main notice board.

Last Sunday's offering: HK\$5,301.00 Promissory offering last week: HK\$6,100.00 Retiring offering: HK\$1,100