

HYMNS

453 Lord enthroned
629iii Father hear the prayer
448ii I come with joy a child of God
652 Guide me o thou great Redeemer

PRAYERS

- For the Church: in the Anglican Church of Hong Kong (Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui) we pray for St Matthew's Church Hollywood Road, the Revd Leung Ka Jor and Kenneth Lau
- For our world
- For the sick, especially Allan Cheung, Valery Garrett, Chiu-man, Alan Tsang and Rainer Rommel
- For the departed

If you would like to include anyone by name in our prayers, please let Hugh or Will know.

Thank you to all our volunteers!

| VOLUNTEERS | TODAY | NEXT SUNDAY |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Welcomers | Doug Walls | |
| Altar Server | Boris Lee | |
| Readers | Graham Price Alison Harada | Hugh Garway No 2nd Reading |
| Intercessions | Judith Crosbie- Chen | |
| Offertory & Collection | Noel Mookerji | Olivia Choi |
| Chalice | Reid Marsh Mary Marsh | Jeff Blount Graham Price |
| Flowers | Alison Harada | |
| Refreshments | Marianne Lim | |
| Sunday School | Robin Fine Rebecca Price David Bradley | |

Fair Trade coffee and chocolate
for sale after the service,
a portion of proceeds to the chapel.

Please help us to sign up for your
Car Parking Permits after service.
Please speak to Fei Fei Li.

You can hear Will on Radio,
RTHK4 at 9.50am
every Friday morning in September.

Visits to Stanley Prison started from
8th Sept Friday morning. If you would like
to join our visit, please talk to Will.

If you're not free one Sunday morning, try
Sunday 6pm at St John's Cathedral.
Tonight: Taizé Evening Prayer
Next Week: Holy Eucharist

Harvest Festival, next. Sunday 1st October
Please bring the following foods
to donate to Bethune House
Refuge for foreign domestic helpers;
**Rice, Cooking oil, Mi Goreng,
Chili sauce, Peanut butter, Coffee,
Margarine, Mayonnaise.**

Bethune House Open Day
Saturday 30 Sept. 6-9pm.
Please contact Will if you would like to
see the work of Bethune House.

*The colour of the priest's stole and the veil covering
the chalice is green for Growth.
Please join us for tea and coffee after church.*

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Stanley, Hong Kong

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24th Sept 2017

15th Sunday after Trinity

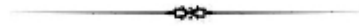
9.30am Holy Eucharist
The Revd Will Newman



The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, ‘If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.’ Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.’ So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, ‘In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?’ And Moses said, ‘When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.’ Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.” ’ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.” ’ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



2nd Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Philippians 1.21-end

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Priest: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, “You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, “Why are you standing here idle all day?” They said to him, “Because no one has hired us.” He said to them, “You also go into the vineyard.” When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, “Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.” When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.” But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?” So the last will be first, and the first will be last.’

Matthew 20.1-16

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.