

Holy Baptism Service

Opening Rites

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Hymn and Procession

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name *vv. 1,3,4*

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe
on this terrestrial ball,
to Him all majesty ascribe,
and crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng,
we at His feet may fall!
Join in the everlasting song,
and crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him Lord of all. Amen.

“讚美耶穌尊名聖德”

- 1 讚美耶穌尊名聖德，
天使跪拜謙虛，
恭奉冕旒為主登極，
來頌讚頌讚頌讚，主萬主之主。

- 3 天下萬國萬族萬宗，
無論老幼男女，
應該尊敬至大君王，
來頌讚頌讚頌讚，主萬主之主。

- 4 後來將與天上聖徒，
跪下敬拜救主，
永遠吟詩在快樂所，
來頌讚頌讚頌讚，主萬主之主。
阿們。

Greeting

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, Lord God, to all who have been baptized into the death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ, that, as we have put away the old life of sin, so we may be renewed in the spirit of our minds, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Ministry of the Word

The Lessons

The people sit.

Joel 2:28-32

²⁸ “And it shall come to pass afterward

That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh;

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

Your old men shall dream dreams,

Your young men shall see visions.

²⁹ And also on My menservants and on My maidservants

I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

³⁰ “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth:

Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

³¹ The sun shall be turned into darkness,

And the moon into blood,

Before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD.

³² And it shall come to pass

That whoever calls on the name of the LORD

Shall be saved.

For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance,

As the LORD has said,

Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Colossians 2:9-15

⁹For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; ¹⁰and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power. ¹¹In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with *Him* through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. ¹³And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, ¹⁴having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. ¹⁵Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 25:14-30.

People Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The Parable of the Talents

¹⁴“For *the kingdom of heaven* is like a man traveling to a far country, *who* called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. ¹⁵And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. ¹⁶Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. ¹⁷And likewise he who *had received* two gained two more also. ¹⁸But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord’s money. ¹⁹After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰“So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, ‘Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.’ ²¹His lord said to him, ‘Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’ ²²He also who had received two talents came and said, ‘Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.’ ²³His lord said to him, ‘Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’ ²⁴“Then he who had received the one talent came and said, ‘Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered

seed. ²⁵ And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, *there* you have *what is yours.*' ²⁶ "But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. ²⁷ Therefore you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. ²⁸ Therefore take the talent from him, and give *it* to him who has ten talents. ²⁹ 'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰ And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

After the Gospel, the Reader says
The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Sermon by Rev. Justin Fung (<https://youtu.be/qG7esCZeQ8w>)

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Celebrant says,
The Candidate(s) for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Candidates and their Sponsors stand from their seats.

Sponsors Reverend sir, we present these persons to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the Candidates,
Do you desire to be baptized?
Candidates I do.

The Examination

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Savior?

Candidates I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in His grace and love?

Candidates I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey Him as your Lord?

Candidates I do.

The Celebrant addresses the Congregation,

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

Congregation We will.

The Celebrant says these or similar words,

Let us all stand and join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived
by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living
and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit and the convictions of our faith?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you see and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth. Please kneel.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to Your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with Your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of Your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to Your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of Your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ Your Son may live in the power of His resurrection and look for Him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant, with the Crucifer, proceeds to the Font and blesses the water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank You, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it You led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it Your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through His death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank You, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in His death. By it we share in His resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, in joyful obedience to Your Son, we bring into His fellowship those who come to Him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray You, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Congregation sits. The Candidates stand.

The Baptism

The Candidates, with their respective Sponsors, approach the Font one at a time.

Celebrant N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross, and saying to each one,

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop or Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying,

Let us kneel and pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank You that by water and the Holy Spirit You have bestowed upon *this* Your servant(s) the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *them* to the new life of grace. Sustain *them*, O Lord, in Your Holy Spirit. Give *them* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love You, and the gift of joy and wonder in all Your works. *Amen.*

The Celebrant instructs the newly baptized to stand and face the people, and says,

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim His resurrection, and share with us in His eternal priesthood.

The Celebrant returns to the Chancel.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange peace.

The Holy Eucharist

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn

“Take My Life, And Let It Be”

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee,
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise. (2x)

Take my hands, and let them move,
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee. (2x)

Take my voice, and let them sing,
Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee. (2x)

Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose. (2x)

Take my will, and make it Thine,
it shall be no longer mine,
Take my heart; it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne. (2x)

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee, (2x) Amen.

“我的生命獻給祢”

- 1 我的生命獻給祢，
做祢差用到一世，
時時刻刻獻給主，
歸榮光祢萬年久。(2x)
- 2 我的手從祢命令，
獻給我主做差用，
我足也要為祢獻，
常常替祢行不倦。(2x)
- 3 我的聲音給祢用，
歡喜讚美主無停，
我獻口舌來宣揚，
播傳福音愛救人。(2x)
- 4 我的金銀獻給祢，
不敢完全為自己，
我的才幹祢賞賜，
甘願還祢做器具。(2x)
- 5 我有決定的心志，
甘願給主祢主意，
我獻身心有決斷，
永遠歸主祢掌管。(2x)
- 6 我的愛心求主助，
愛祢勝過全世界，
今我立志獻自己，
永遠完全歸給祢，(2x) 阿們。

After the offerings are collected, the people sing

All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord You have received us as Your sons and daughters, made us citizens of Your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High! Amen.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us in Your image, and, when we fell into sin and become subject to evil and death, You, in Your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, Your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us. He stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself, in obedience to Your will, a perfect sacrifice for all mankind, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and we offer You these gifts, recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension.

Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ. All honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

V. We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

R. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people with either of the following

Now to God who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Rites

Announcements

1. Our Knowing Level Classes for this year will start on June 5 and they will take place every Sunday from 2-3pm, via zoom for 8 sessions. Knowing Level Classes serve as our baptismal and confirmation classes but you may also join to learn the foundations of our faith. To join, please register with our church office secretary Ms. Agnes Lim.
2. For our 7 newly baptized members today, please stay after the service for our picture taking.

Closing Hymn and Recession

“Just As I Am, Thine Own To Be”

Just as I am, Thine own to be,
Friend of the young, who lovest me,
To consecrate myself to Thee,
O Jesus Christ, I come.

In the glad morning of my day,
My life to give, my vows to pay,
With no reserve and no delay,
With all my heart I come.

“無論怎樣願屬於祢”

- 1 無論怎樣願屬於祢，
完完全全奉獻自己，
與祢結聯親密無比，
主啊！我來就祢。
- 2 如花正開青年時期，
獻身屬主堅固立志，
不肯退步不肯遲疑，
主啊！我來就祢。

Just as I am young, strong, and free,
To be the best that I can be
For truth, and righteousness, and Thee,
Lord of my life, I come.

I would live ever in the light,
I would work ever for the right;
I would serve Thee with all my might;
Therefore, to Thee I come.

With many dreams of fame and gold,
Success and joy to make me bold,
But dearer still my faith to hold,
For my whole life, I come.

And for Thy sake to win renown,
And then to take my victor's crown,
And at Thy feet to cast it down,
O master, Lord, I come. Amen.

3 趁我現今勇壯自由，
給祢牽成給妳造就，
真理正義終身追求，
主啊！我來就祢。

4 靠主權能努力一生，
追求聖潔追求光明，
直到至善直到至聖，
主啊！我來就祢。

5 前我貪戀富貴榮華，
今我只有尊主做大，
我活是主主活在我，
主啊！我來就祢。

6 至終克勝內外對敵，
都是由主至大能力，
榮光歸主永遠無極，
主啊！我來就祢。

Postlude

Picture Taking