

Confirmation Service

Opening Rites

Prelude

Greeting

A blessed morning to everyone and welcome to our Confirmation Service. We praise God for brothers and sisters who will reaffirm their faith today and for whom our bishop will lay hands on that the Holy Spirit may empower them for ministry in the church and to go as witness to the world.

Let us now begin our worship by standing and singing our opening hymn.

Opening Hymn and Procession

12 - "My Heart Doth Praise The Lord" vv. 1,2,3,5

Verse 1

My soul repeat His praise,
Whose mercies great I know;
He saved me from destruction dread,
My heart its praise would show.

Verse 2

His mercy bountiful
Forgives my ev'ry sin;
Crowned with His loving kindness sweet,
Our ills are healed by Him.

Verse 3

As east from west apart
My guilt the Lord removes;
As high as heav'n above the earth
His love to us so proves.

Verse 5

Our days like flow'rs soon fade,
In wind and rain they die,
But God's compassion e'er endures,
He reigns in power on high.

“我心實在讚美”

- 1 我心實在讚美，
因為上帝大恩；
救我性命免致滅亡，
誠心實意敬尊。
- 2 上帝大大慈悲，
赦我都無罪過；
又且日日照顧養飼，
我病祂會醫好。
- 3 上帝除我罪惡，
如東離西的遠；
帶念耶穌賜我大福，
永遠在那天堂。
- 5 咱人性命如花，
大風來吹就謝；
獨獨上帝永遠不廢，
久長在天上居。

Greeting

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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

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

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Let us pray.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in Your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Ministry of the Word

The Lessons

OT: Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Epistle: Hebrews 3:1-6

Anthem – "The Great Redeemer"

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise.
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

Chorus

He is the King, He is the Lord, He is the One who delivers me.
He is the King, He is the Lord, He is the One who delivers me.
Hail to the King, hail to the Lord, Hail to the One who delivers me.
Hail to the King, hail to the Lord, Hail to the One who delivers me.

Jesus strong and mighty King,
ruling over all the kingdoms of this world;
Lift your voice to Him and sing,
He is Lord of everything, He is the King of kings.

Repeat Chorus

He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.

He is the King, He is the Lord, He is the One who delivers me.
He is the King, He is the Lord, He is the One who delivers me.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim.
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.

He is the King, He is the Lord,
He is the One who delivers me.

Amen!

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 Mark 10:17-27.
People Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

*After the Gospel, the Reader says
The Gospel of the Lord.*

People Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Sermon By The Rt. Rev. James Boliget

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

*The Bishop says,
The Candidate(s) will now be presented.*

The Candidates proceeds to stand at the altar rails. The Rector, as presenter, stands.

Presenter I present these persons for Confirmation.

The Examination

Bishop Dearly beloved, do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace, I will follow Him as my Savior and Lord.

The Bishop 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 Bishop 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

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop 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 Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ. 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 Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank You that by the death and resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ You have overcome sin and brought us to Yourself, and that by the sealing of Your Holy Spirit You have bound us to Your service. Renew in these Your servants the covenant You have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service You set before them; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Candidates remain kneeling. The people sit.

The Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, Your servant *N.* with Your Holy Spirit; empower *him* for Your service; and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life. *Amen.*

Grace Ang	Jayden Vincent Chan
Juliana Louise Bautista	Pierre Antonio Floirendo
Jaclyn Chan	Edison Lee
Allison Mae Gervacio	Josh Charles Ong
Christina Madrigal	Rhyan Andre Siy
Moir Bernice Ngo	Ivan Christopher Tagle
Juliana Corine Ragas	Reily Jude Yap
Sharmaine Ivy Sun	
Maria Kristna Tagle	
Jillian-Lanceryn Yu	
Jackielyn Hazel Yu-Lao	

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, let Your fatherly hand ever be over these Your servants; let Your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of Your Word, that they may serve You in this life, and dwell with You in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Bishop instructs the newly Confirmed to stand and face the people, and says,
Let us welcome the newly Confirmed.

The Bishop and the Newly Confirmed return to their seats.

SSP Mission and Vision

Officiant Let us all rise to declare, with the newly Confirmed, our Mission and Vision as a Parish.

Mission: To raise up generations of mature followers of Christ to be salt and light in the world who will love God, love others, and make disciples.

Vision: To be a church that impacts its community through members who are diligent in making disciples wherever they are, rooted in the word, reverent in worship, and fervent in prayer.

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange peace.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

#311 - "Send the Light"

Verse 1

There's a call comes ringing o'er the restless wave,
"Send the light! Send the light!"

There are souls to rescue, there are souls to save,
Send the light! Send the light!

Chorus

Send the light, the blessed Gospel light;
Let it shine from shore to shore!
Send the light, the blessed Gospel light;
Let it shine forevermore!

“賜真光”

1 從翻騰浪濤中傳來呼叫聲：
“賜真光！ 賜真光！”
許多靈魂等候拯救得生命，
賜真光！ 賜真光！

和： 賜真光！ 傳播福音真光，
真光遍照到遠遠，
賜真光！ 傳播福音真光，
真光遍照到久長。

Verse 2

We have heard the Macedonian call today,
"Send the light! Send the light!"
And a golden offering at the cross we lay,
Send the light! Send the light!

2

今聽馬其頓呼聲何其迫切；
“賜真光！ 賜真光！”
在十架前身心獻上， 絕罪孽，
賜真光！ 賜真光！

Verse 3

Let us pray that grace may ev'rywhere abound,
"Send the light! Send the light!"
And a Christ-like spirit ev'rywhere be found,
Send the light! Send the light!

3

要求主使救恩能遍傳地極；
“賜真光！ 賜真光！”
有基督樣式彰顯在各角落，
賜真光！ 賜真光！

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.

Celebrant 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.

For in the multitude of Your saints You have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

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. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

R. Let us rejoice and exult and give the glory to the Lord.

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.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Bishop

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. The newly confirmed are requested to stay behind after the service for picture taking.
2. We would like to welcome our guests from the Council of the Church in East Asia or CCEA. With us is Bishop Matthias Clement Tze-Wo Der from the Diocese of Hong Kong Island and his members, as well as our clergy and lay from the Episcopal Dioceses of Southern and Northern Philippines. The full assembly of the CCEA meets every four years but the bishops around East Asia meet together for mutual cooperation and edification meet every year. This year, the Episcopal Church in the Philippines is

hosting the full assembly which is why we have been graced with their fellowship today.

3. Do note also that the choir concert is already tonight at 6PM. Again, tickets are not required so if you have a last-minute friend to invite, you may do so freely.
4. For our sports fellowships, may we invite again Sis. Janine Chua to announce for the badminton fellowship after this short video.
5. Our Volleyball Fellowship has also concluded last week and we would like to congratulate the Blue Team for winning the championship. May we ask them to rise and be acknowledged. May we also ask everyone who was part of the Volleyball Fellowship to rise to be acknowledged.
6. We would also like to remind those joining our Churchmen and Churchwomen Fellowships that you are meeting today after the service at the Churchwomen Room and 306 for Churchmen.
7. Finally, we'd like to invite everyone again to join our special seminar with Rev. Tony Yeo of Covenant Evangelical Free Church in Singapore next week October 20 (Sunday) 4PM. Let's learn important lessons they learned as they started from a church of 300 to more than 6000 today. Just register via the QR code so we will know how many people to expect for the event.

We praise God for an opportunity to witness new people making a mature profession of their faith and for us to renew our own calling as children of God. We pray to worship with everyone again next week and that God will mightily use us in the days to come. To close, let us all rise and sing our closing hymn.

“趕快工作夜將臨”

Closing Hymn and Recession **# 301 – “Work For The Night Is Coming”**

Work for the night is coming,
Work thro' the morning hours;
Work while the dew is sparkling,
Work 'mid springing flow'rs.
Work when the day grows brighter,
Work in the glowing sun;
Work, for the night is coming,
When man's work is done.

Work for the night is coming,
Work thro' the sunny noon;
Fill brightest hours with labor,
Rest comes sure and soon.
Give ev'ry flying minute
Something to keep in store;

1 要工作夜晚將到，
趁着清早時辰，
露珠閃耀百花開，
工作要勤謹，
趁着日光漸明亮，
炎熱日光下面，
要工作夜晚將到，
夜到工就成。

2 要工作夜晚將到，
趁着正午炎陽，
趁着白晝作完工，
休息父懷中，
光陰如箭飛過去，
積聚財寶在天，
要工作夜晚將到，
夜到工當停。

Work, for the night is coming,
When man works no more.

Work for the night is coming,
Under the sunset skies;
While their bright tints are glowing,
Work, for daylight flies.
Work till the last beam fadeth.
Fadeth to shine no more;
Work, while the night is dark'ning,
When man's work is o'er.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

3 要工作夜晚將到，
 趁着黃昏時候，
 紅霞光彩佈滿天，
 日落黑暗近，
 直到日光消失時，
 雖勞苦莫遲疑，
 要工作夜晚將到，
 夜到工完畢。