HYMNS

754 O worship the king, all glorious above755 Oft in danger, oft in woe766 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven748 O Jesus, I have promised

PRAYERS

- For the Church: in the Anglican Church of Hong Kong (Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui) we pray for St. Barnabas' Church, The Church of the Transfiguration and the Revd Wong Ka Pok. - For our world.

- For the sick, especially Brenda Cuyn, Tan Kok Neo, Dan Krupa, Donna Willis.

- For the departed, especially Ena Mavity.

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

Thank you to all our volunteers!

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Next Sunday Fei Fei Li

Juliet Ide

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Alison Harada

'Multi-year group class' David Bradley Robin Fine Your Favourite Hymns During August we will have a selection of your favourite hymns. Please let Will know what they are!

Will will be on radio Tuesday mornings 9:50am through July, on RTHK 4 (97.6FM).

Summer Survivors' Sunday Brunch after church next Sunday 22nd July. Everyone still in town is invited.

Taizé Hong Kong 2018 Join hundreds of young people from all of the world for Taize prayers at St John's Cathedral August 8, 9, 10, 11 at 7:30pm August 9, 10, 11 at 12:30pm.

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

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The colour of the priest's stole and the veil covering the chalice is Green for Growing.

Please join us for tea and coffee after church.

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15th July 2018 7th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Eucharist

The Revd Will Newman



The Death of John the Baptist, c. 1875

1st Reading from the Book of Amos

This is what the Lord showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumbline.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.' Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land." ' And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Amos 7.7-15

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

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2nd Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holv and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance. having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1.3-14

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead: and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John. bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Mark 6.14-29

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.*All:* Praise to you, O Christ.