

HYMNS

754 O worship the King, all glorious above
507 We have a gospel to proclaim
765 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
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 Mark's Church Macau, and the Revd Bartholomew Ma.
- For our world.
- For the sick, especially Brittany, Brenda Cuyun, Tan Kok Neo, Dan Krupa.
- For the departed.

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

Thank you to all our volunteers!

VOLUNTEERS	TODAY	Next Sunday
Welcomers	Alison Harada	Alison Harada
Altar Server	Jullianne Baria	Boris Lee
Readers	David Bradley Juliet Ide	Clive Rough Shipporah Samarpitha
Intercessions	David Bradley	
Offertory & Collection	Keefe's Family	
Chalice	Alison Harada Hugh Garway	Phoebe Lee Richard Lee
Flowers	Nona Suomy	Anna Hui
Refreshments	Philippine Champion	Andy Nye
Sunday School	Seung Chong Rebecca Price	'Year End Party' David Bradley Robin Fine

Please Welcome our visiting priest
the Revd Canon David Pickering
to preach for us this morning.

A 40-minute Organ Recital after church
next Sunday 24th by visiting Organist Zoe Lei
from 11am – 11:40.
Donations to our Organ Fund.

Will & Dot are away in the UK
returning at the end of June.
Please contact the Cathedral clergy
if you need to. Call 2523 4157.

You may like to provide flowers in church
in celebration or in memory.
Please contact Fei Fei. The flowers are yours
if you want to take them home after church.

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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St Stephen's Chapel Stanley Hong Kong

*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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17th June 2018

3rd Sunday after Trinity
Broadcast Service
Fathers' Day

9.30am Holy Eucharist

The Revd Canon David Pickering



Parable of the Mustard Seed

1st Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Ezekiel 17.22-end

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

2nd Reading from Paul's 2nd letter to Corinthians

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 14-17

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.

Jesus also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Mark 4.26-34

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.
