### **HYMNS**

671 I will sing the wondrous story 629i Father hear the prayer we offer 748 O Jesus I have promised 366 (tune 337) Living God, your word has called us

## **PRAYERS**

- For the Church: in the Anglican Church of Hong Kong (Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui), we pray for our sister and brother Christians in Shatin Anglican Church
- -For our world...
- -For the sick, especially Brenda Cuya, Dan Krupa, Donna Willis, Jeanette Skelton, and Nancyanne Burton
- -For the departed...

VOLUNTEERS

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

**NEXT SUNDAY** 

Welcomers Alison Harada Andy Nye Altar Server Heloise Dunlop Readers Ronald Yuen David Bradley Page Guillot Chris Lawrence Ronald Yuen Intercessions Phoebe Lo Offertory & Ronald Yuen Collection Barry Freeman Richard Lee Chalice **Graham Price** Ronald Yuen Catherine Freeman Refreshments Andy Nye Flowers Libby Alexander Sunday School Rebecca Price + Assistant

TODAY

Thank you to all volunteers!

The colour of the priest's stole and the veil covering the chalice is green for growing (in faith and love).

### NOTICES

This morning we welcome Cate Sleigh for baptism, and 7 children to receive First Communion. Please support them with your care and prayers.

Please pick up your parking permit today, or sign up to receive one soon.

Last Sunday's morning service will be broadcast on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 11.05am on RTHK4 (97.6FM).

## St Stephen's in the City

Come and join a very informal group, meeting Tuesday lunchtimes twice a month to explore questions and issues of faith.

Bring a sandwich and join us this Tuesday, 1pm-1.45 at the Cathedral Office.

This week: What is true religion?

Sunday Evenings 6pm at the cathedral Today: Choral Evensong Next Sunday: Taize Evening Prayer

> Next Sunday's bible readings: Jeremiah 11.18-20 James 3.13-4.3, and 4.7-8 Mark 9.30-37

Please join us for tea and coffee after church

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16th September 2018

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Eucharist & Baptism

The Revd Will Newman



Who do you say that I am?

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The Lord GoD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GoD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Isaiah 50.4-9

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading from the Letter of James

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or

look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

James 3.1-12

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 went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Mark 8.27-38

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.