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以基督耶穌的心為心
Let The Mind Of Christ Jesus Be In You

將臨第二主日
Second Sunday of Advent Service

二零一七年十二月十日
The Tenth Day of December 2017

林怡軒牧師 *Reverend Nathan Lim*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, December 10, 2017

1:00 pm English Service

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Advent Candle Lighting

Reader: The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.

★CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the season of holy waiting.

People: We wait for the time when the desert will bloom abundantly.

Leader: We watch for the day when all God's people will come together with singing.

People: We wait while the dawning light appears on the horizon.

Leader: Come let us walk in the light of God!

★PRAISE SONG "God of Wonder"

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Eternal God, you have made us and all things to serve you, now prepare the world for your rule. Come quickly to save us, so that wars and violence shall end, and your children may live in peace, honoring one another with justice and love; through Jesus Christ, who lives in power with you in the unity of Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty God, Righteous Judge, have mercy upon us. We have been proud in the thoughts of our hearts; you would be right to scatter us. We have grasped at worldly power; you could surely choose to bring us down. We have allowed the rich to prosper and the poor to wither away. Have mercy on us, Lord! Remind us of your grace in ages past. Humble us, that we may find our strength in you. Kindle in us love for all you love, that we may join you in your work of mercy, redemption, and joy.

SILENT PRAYER

★ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the good news. Who is in a position to condemn?

People: Only Christ and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

People: We know we are forgiven and can be at peace. Praise God!

★PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

RESPONSIVE READING Ps. 85:1-2, 8-13 (p.543-544)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 1:1-8 (p. 34)

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON *“Prepare the Way of the Lord”*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LOVE

★PRAISE SONG *“Today Is the Day”*

★AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *“The Apostles’ Creed” (front cover of hymnal)*

PRAYER CARD PREPARATION

OFFERING AND PRAYER CARD COLLECTION

Leader: With grateful and humble hearts let us return to God a portion of the blessings of our lives.

★OFFERTORY SONG *“Thank You Lord”*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(led by the usher)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE BEAR GOD’S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

★PRAISE SONG *“Blessed Be Your Name”*

(Please gather in center aisle to sing)

★CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

★FOURFOLD AMEN *(led by the speaker)*

★Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME!

Today – *Second Sunday of Advent*
December 10, 2017 at 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: TE Nathan Lim
WORSHIP LEADER: Suzanne Yong-Sellers
MUSIC LEADER: Jimmy Shek
USHER: Anna Fong

Next Week – *Third Sunday of Advent*
December 17, 2017 at 1:00 pm – English Worship Service

SPEAKER: RE David Michel
WORSHIP LEADER: Jessica Teng
MUSIC LEADER: Vicki Louie-Shek
USHER: Justin Choy

PRAYERS & PRAISE

- Thanksgiving for the free gift of God’s grace, the fellowship we share as a church family and the many blessings we have been given.
- Prayers for those who are in ill health or recovering.
- Prayers for strength and wisdom for our FCPC volunteers and leaders.
- Prayers for peace in the midst of the conflicts, wars, and divisions that are taking place in our world.

FELLOWSHIPS & GATHERINGS

HAPPENINGS	REGULAR MEETING	TIME	CONTACT	NEXT MEETING
Brothers & Sisters In Christ (BASIC)/JYF	4th Sunday	1:30 PM	Gilbert Wong	December 24
Sunday School (K-5)	Every Sunday	11:00 AM	Doreen Cheung and Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades K-5 – 2 nd Floor
Sunday School (6-12)	Every Sunday	11:00AM-12:30PM	Doreen Cheung and Vicki Louie-Shek	Grades 6-12 – 4 th Floor

FCPC NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1) **Welcome to the First Chinese Presbyterian Church (FCPC).** Thank you for joining us for worship today. We are glad God led you our way. With a handshake and a smile, with fellowship and cheer, as part of God's family, you are always welcome here. We hope you have a spiritual stay in our church and feel free to inquire about our other activities and various fellowships FCPC has to offer. No matter how old or young you are, there is something for everyone here!
- 2) **Christmas Eve Worship Service...** will be held on Sunday, December 24th at 3 pm in the sanctuary.
- 3) **BASIC Winter Retreat** will be held on December 29-31 with Rev. Eun Joo Kim as our guest speaker. Cost is \$100. Deadline to register is December 10. Please see Gilbert for details.
- 4) **Appreciation...** We are grateful for your service on the decoration at the sanctuary and the 2fl for the Christmas season.
- 5) **Keep updated on FCPC news....** Check out our website at <http://fcpc.org>, where you can read upcoming announcement, find the weekly Order of Worship, and listen to past sermons. Like our page at <http://facebook.com/fcpcnyc> to get the latest news and connect with other members.
- 6)

Schedule of Upcoming Sunday English Worship Services December 2017 at 1 p.m.

Date	Speakers	Worship Leaders	Music Leaders	Ushers
12/17	RE David Michel	Jessica Teng	Vicki Louie-Shek	Justin Choy
12/24	TE Nathan Lim	Vicki Louie-Shek San Leong (Translator) 11 a.m. Christmas Sunday Combined Service	You Zheng Jiang	Sharon Moi-Yap (Greeter) Jonathan Chui Kimberly Yap Brian Yap Connie Leung
12/24	TE Nathan Lim	Jonathan Chui Mei Luk (Translator) 3 p.m. Christmas Eve Combined Service	You Zheng Jiang	
12/31	TE Nathan Lim	William Tsang	Kyle Tsang	Doreen Cheung