

***A Lunar New Year
Service of Word & Table***



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Committee on Asian/North American Asian Theologies (CANAAT)
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** indicates an invitation to rise in body or in spirit*
bold indicates the responses of the congregation

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Territorial Acknowledgement

. . . a candle is lit. . .

. . . silence is kept . . .

. . . the gong is sounded, calling us to worship . . .

Call to Worship

Rev. John Young-Jung Lee

This is the day that our God has made:

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the time the world needs healing:

let us join all people of good will to work for reconciliation.

This is the hour God calls us once again:

let us dare to respond, "Here we are: send us."

Come, let us worship together.

Prayer of Approach

God of the Eternal Now, at the beginning of another new year,
we bring our whole selves before you.

Take us as we are.

For broken promises we regret,

forgive us;

in unfulfilled dreams we lament,

comfort us;

as yet once again we resolve to be more faithful,

fill us with hope.

Guide us with your Star as you once guided the wise ones,

**that we may bring learnings, yearnings, and questions
to lay as gifts before you.**

Amen.

* Hymn: “We Give You Thanks for Every Faith”

(♩ = 88)

We give you thanks for ev - ery faith, un - spo - ken or ex - pressed; for
 We give you thanks for what we feel when gath - ered here to pray; your
 We give you thanks for seek - ing hearts, and si - lence brought to birth in
 We give you thanks for what is done, and what is yet to do; we'll

wis - dom span - ning all the earth, u - nit - ing east and west.
 pres - ence bless - es what is real and burns the rest a - way.
 liv - ing, breath - ing, heal - ing arts re - vealed in all the earth.
 chant and sing and dance as one, when we are one with you.

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 MUSIC: Lim Swee Hong

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WORD

Lotus Sūtra Reading: Chapter 2, “Expedient Means”

Dr. Culan Liu

爾時世尊。欲重宣此義。而說偈言

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若人於塔廟	寶像及畫像
以華香幡蓋	敬心而供養
若使人作樂	擊鼓吹角貝
簫笛琴箏篪	琵琶鐃銅鈸
如是衆妙音	盡持以供養
或以歡喜心	歌唄頌佛德
乃至一小音	皆已成佛道

妙法蓮華經 (T262: 7c9-9a16).

Then Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ.

* **Hymn:** VU p. 896 "Matthew 5 (Blest Are They)"

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Wenh-In Ng

. . . silence is kept . . .

. . . the Tibetan bowl is sounded . . .

Prayers of the People

Sung response: "Hear My Prayer" (*on facing page*)

Song Leader: in Korean

Eun-Jung An

All: *sing Korean, then English; alternate Korean and English during in the prayer*

Prayers

Sheng Ping Guo, in Mandarin

We thank you, O God for the bounty of the earth in the Year of the Rooster, and for every form of witness to your light in times of darkness. We pray for all those who work for healing and hope: for pastoral care workers and community activists who persist even in places of heartbreak or terror. We remember, in particular, those who were killed or injured at prayer in the Quebec City Islamic Centre on Sunday, their families, friends and neighbours. Help us to find ways to reach out to one another, to resist and overcome the forces of division and suspicion, hatred and violence that threaten our life . . . **R (in Korean)**

We pray for all those who learn and teach, for students and teachers, elders and spiritual leaders. Today, especially, we remember the Very Reverend Dr. Sang Chul Lee, former Moderator of the United Church of Canada and Chancellor of the Victoria University in the University of Toronto, and all those who gathering to mourn his death and give thanks for his life. We thank you for his strong, loving and wise leadership, and pray that we may testify to the promise of his life beyond death, in our lives . . . **R (in English)**

We pray for all those who struggle for freedom and justice, and for those who live in despair or fear. We pray for those who work on behalf of others, and for those who speak their own truth to those in power. And we pray for ourselves, that we may never cease to bear witness to the way of Christ, in ways great and small. . . **R (in Korean)**

Amen. **Amen.**

♩ = 60 Unison

에 수 님 나 의 구 원 자 주 의
 Ye su nim na ui ku won ja joo ui
 Hear my prayer Sav-ior, Je - sus. Hear the

이 름 부 를 때 오 소 서 하 나 님, 기 도 합 니
 i rum boo rul ddae o so seo. Ha na nim gi do ham ni
 cry with-in my heart, hear my plea. Hear my prayer as I call to

다. 나 의 소 리 들 고 응 답 하 소 서.
 da. na ui so ri dud go unng dab ha so seo.
 you, Sav-ior, Je - sus, please hear me and an-swer me.

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SHINING LIGHT

7.10.8..11.

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TABLE

Invitation & Peace

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The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

As we come to the Table, let us share signs of peace and reconciliation.

... *peace is shared* ...

* Presentation Hymn: "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

gluten free bread, mantou (contains gluten) and (cold) Jasmine tea are brought to the Table

♩ = 55

D Em/D A⁹/D D G D/F# Em A

All who hun - ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
 All who hun - ger, nev - er strang - ers, seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

D Em/D A⁹/D D G/B D/A A⁷ D

Come from wil - der - ness and wan - der - ing Here, in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

Em C/G Em⁷ A Em⁷/G D/F# E F#

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Bm F#m/A G D/F# Em D/F# A⁷/G A D

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

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 MUSIC: Lim Swee Hong

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 8.7.8.7.D.

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The Great Thanksgiving

based on "Prayer H," Celebrate God's Presence

The Holy One is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is indeed good and right to give you thanks and praise, O God of many names

. . . . through the ages and all over the world have borne courageous witness
to the hope within them, we praise you:

(said)

Holy, holy, holy God,

Power of life and love!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna through the ages!

Blest is the One who comes

to bring your justice to earth!

On the last night he spent with his friends, Jesus took an age-old tradition of his people

. . . we claim our common heritage as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send, O covenant God, your Holy Spirit upon us and what we do here

. . . all glory is yours everywhere, now and forever.

Amen.

The Prayer of Jesus

We gather these and all our prayers in the words of Jesus, each praying in our own tongue:

you are invited to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language or version of your choice

Communion

The bread of life, shared with you.

The cup of the new covenant, shared with you.

Amen.

Music during Communion:

VU 34 "Come Now, O God of Peace (O-So-So)" (English and Korean)

[VU 955 "Grant to Us Your Peace (Dona nobis pacem)" (English and Latin)]

Prayer after Communion:

**For the bread we have eaten,
for the wine we have tasted,
for the life we have received,
we thank you, God.**

**Grant that what we have done and have been given here,
may so put its mark on us,
that it may remain always in our hearts.**

**Grant that we may grow
in love and understanding,
and that ours may be lives of faithful action,
in Christ's name.**

Amen.

* **Hymn:** VU 578 "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

* **Sending Forth and Blessing**

Postlude



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The full text of today's liturgy, as well as those of previous services of worship, is available in the Service Archive at www.worshipwithemmanuel.ca