

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 17

Year A

September 3, 2023

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聖靈降臨後第十四主日：合時儀文(十七)

甲年

2023年9月3日

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福音書-----	(馬太福音 16:21-28)
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Date	Preacher/Interpreter	Altar Guild	Acolyte	Reader/Prayer	Usher
9/3 Sunday Service	Mo. Fennie Chang	Janis Magnuson	Janis Magnuson Alex Zhong	Lili Tansiongco	Roger Magnuson Sally Meng
9/10 Sunday Service	Mo. Fennie Chang	Dorothy Smith	Alex Zhong Jenna Jia	Flora Chow	Roger Magnuson Henry Liao

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9/3 主日 崇拜	張信芬 牧師	Janis Magnuson	Janis Magnuson 鍾喻竹	Lili Tansiongco	Roger Magnuson 孟莎
9/10 主日 崇拜	張信芬 牧師	Dorothy Smith	鍾喻竹 賈斯童	周李芳	Roger Magnuson 廖鴻業

Message Reflection for This Sunday
本主日信息省思

“In Pursuit of the Higher Way”

- 1) What is the most common human struggle?
- 2) Why did Jesus say that Peter was a stumbling block to him?
- 3) What does Jesus mean by saying, “Deny yourself and take up your cross to follow me”?
- 4) Is there anything from the message today that has confused you or made you feel it impossible to follow? What is that?
- 5) How will you apply this message to your daily life?

“尋求更高的道路”：

- 1) 什麼是最常見的人性掙扎？
- 2) 耶穌為何認為彼得是一塊絆腳石？
- 3) 耶穌要我們「捨己，背起十字架來跟從他」的意思為何？
- 4) 今天有否任何信息讓你覺得困惑或很難去遵行？請列舉。
- 5) 你將如何把今天的信息應用在日常生活中？

Weekly Bible Reading Plan 每週讀經計畫
OT 舊約: 2 Sm 撒下 2-10; Ezk 結 11-17; Ps 詩 50-61
NT 新約: 1Cor 林前 13-16; 2Cor 林後 1-3



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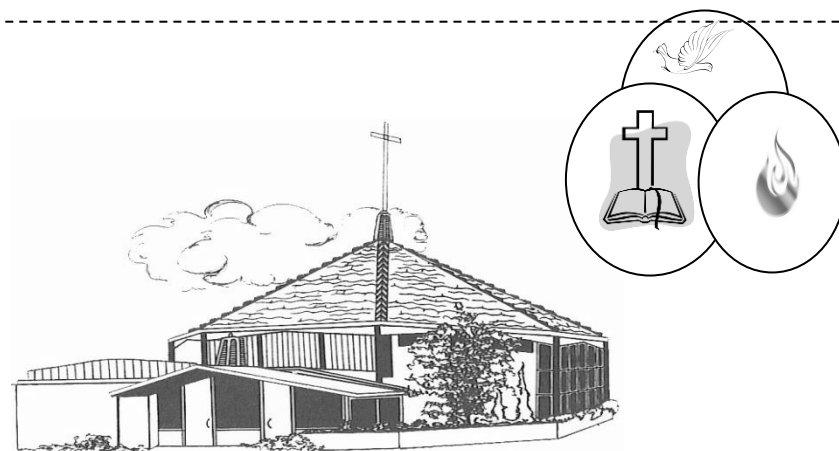
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(10:00 am Holy Eucharist Service: English & Mandarin)

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(早上 10 點英&華語聖餐崇拜)

September 3, 2023



Sunday Holy Eucharist Service 主日聖餐崇拜:
10:00am English & Mandarin (Bilingual) Holy Eucharist (Music)
英華語(雙語) 聖餐崇拜(音樂)

Announcements for September 3, 2023

(1) **Sanctuary Candle:** The sanctuary candle this week is to continue to give thanks and pray for St. Thomas' congregation. May the Lord strengthen our faith in Him and empower us to serve Him and His church faithfully!

(2) **Wed Live-Streaming Evening Prayer/Zoom Bible Study Schedule:** 9/6 & 9/20, Wed, 6:30 pm: Bible Study Fellowship (Zoom); 9/13 & 9/27, Wed, 6:30 pm: Evening Prayer (Facebook). All are welcome!

(3) **Next Bishop's Committee Meeting on Zoom: Thurs, 9/28, 7:15 pm.** All the committee members are to be online for the meeting, and everyone else interested is also welcome to join us.

(4) **Signup to Bring Food for the Church's Coffee Hour after the 10:00 Sunday Service:** The sign-up sheet is posted on the window near the exit of the narthex. We suggest that everything you bring be pre-packed or individually wrapped. Any questions, please ask Janice Lee.

(5) **Celebration of St. Thomas' 60th Anniversary: Sat, 10/21, 2:00 pm.** A celebration gathering will be held in the main sanctuary with Bishop Taylor as our special speaker, followed by a reception on the patio and in the parish hall. All are welcome!

(6) **St. Thomas' Pastoral Care Team Available to Support You:** During the week, please feel free to contact **Mo Fennie** (626-274-3092; hsinfenchang@hotmail.com) or the contact person of your group:
English: Dorothy Smith (dorothysmithpt@yahoo.com; 626-664-0037)
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(7) **Please Continue to Give Generously to Support God's Church:** You can send your personal check (made out to **STEC**) to St. Thomas Church, 15694 Tetley St., Hacienda Hts, CA 91745 or do it online through our church website: www.stthomashh.com. Thank you for your loving care for God's church!

Prayer Request: For (1) Joyce White (skin cancer); (2) Maury & his family; (3) Jackie Gibson; (4) Daniel Adams (eyes and kidneys); (5) Rosie & Bas Lim; (6) Dorothy & Mike Smith; (7) Roger (leukemia) & Janis Magnuson (recovery from hip surgery); (8) Paul Owen; (9) Ben Huang; (10) Edgar, Analou & Karen Fradejas; (11) Sally and her family; (12) Qian Li (burn injury); (13) Tonia's father (lung cancer); (14) Araceli Fradejas (recovery from surgery); (15) Caryl Gonzales (broken ribs).

二零二三年九月三日家事公佈

(1) **聖壇燭:** 這個星期的聖壇燭要繼續為聖多馬堂弟兄姊妹獻上感恩和代禱, 求主加添我們信心和力量來忠心服侍祂和祂的教會。

(2) **週間晚禱 查經網路直播聚會時間表:** 9/6 & 9/20—週三晚上6:30查經團契 (Zoom); 9/13 & 9/27—週三晚上6:30晚禱 (臉書)。歡迎參加!

(3) **下次堂務委員會會議透過Zoom舉行: 週四, 9/28, 晚上7:15。** 所有委員務必參加; 有興趣會友也歡迎列席。

(4) **請登記奉獻食物給教會10:00崇拜後的茶點時間:** 登記表張貼在教堂等候處靠近出口旁邊的窗戶上。建議: 所有提供的食物都事先裝在袋子或盒子中, 或個別包裝好。任何疑問請聯絡 Janice Lee。

(5) **聖多馬堂歡慶建堂六十週年: 週六, 10/21, 下午2:00。** 慶祝會於主堂舉行, 有泰勒主教為特別講員, 會後在中庭及副堂有餐點招待。歡迎參加!

(6) **聖多馬堂教牧關懷小組會隨時成為你的支持:** 週間, 有任何需要, 請隨時連絡張牧師 (hsinfenchang@hotmail.com; 626-274-3092) 或您的小組負責人聯絡:
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(7) **請繼續慷慨奉獻來支持主的教會:** 您可以寄個人支票 (STEC) 到 St. Thomas Church, 15694 Tetley St., Hacienda Hts, CA 91745 或透過教會網站: www.stthomashh.com。感謝您對主的教會所給予的愛的關懷!

代禱事項: 為 (1) Joyce White (皮膚癌), (2) Maury 及家人, (3) Jackie Gibson (4) Daniel Adams (眼睛和腎臟), (5) 林醫師和林景崑, (6) Dorothy & Mike Smith, (7) Roger (白血病) & Janis Magnuson (髖關節手術後恢復), (8) 翁天全, (9) 黃任夫, (10) Edgar, Analou & Karen Fradejas, (11) 孟莎及家人, (12) 李茜 (燒傷), (13) 袁彤的父親 (肺癌), (14) Araceli Fradejas (手術恢復), (15) Caryl Gonzales (肋骨斷裂)。

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Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Jeremiah 15:15-21

O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Psalms 26:1-8

- 1 Give judgment for me, O LORD,
for I have lived with integrity; *
- I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
- examine my heart and my mind.
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
- I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
- nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
- I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
- that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
- and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
- and the place where your glory abides.

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Matthew 16:21-28

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "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 will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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全力全能的主，萬善萬德都本乎主，也是主所賜：求主增加我們虔敬的心，使我們常常敬愛主的聖名；又用各樣厚恩栽培我們，使我們能結出善果；這都是靠著我們的主耶穌基督，聖父和聖子、聖靈，一同永生，一同掌權，惟一上帝，永無窮盡。阿們。

耶利米書 15:15-21

耶和華啊，你是知道的；求你記念我，眷顧我，向逼迫我的人為我報仇；不要向他們忍怒取我的命，要知道我為你的緣故受了凌辱。耶和華一萬軍之神啊，我得著你的言語就當食物吃了；你的言語是我心中的歡喜快樂，因我是稱為你名下的人。我沒有坐在宴樂人的會中，也沒有歡樂；我因你的感動（原文是手）獨自靜坐，因你使我滿心憤恨。我的痛苦為何長久不止呢？我的傷痕為何無法醫治、不能痊癒呢？難道你待我有詭詐，像流乾的河道嗎？耶和華如此說：你若歸回，我就將你再帶來，使你站在我面前；你若將寶貴的和下賤的分別出來，你就可以當作我的口。他們必歸向你，你卻不可歸向他們。我必使你向這百姓成為堅固的銅牆；他們必攻擊你，卻不能勝你；因我與你同在，要拯救你，搭救你。這是耶和華說的。我必搭救你脫離惡人的手，救贖你脫離強暴人的手。

詩篇 26:1-8

- :1 耶和華啊，求你為我伸冤，因我向來行事純全；
我又倚靠耶和華，並不搖動。
:2 耶和華啊，求你察看我，試驗我，
熬煉我的肺腑心腸。
:3 因為你的慈愛常在我眼前，
我也按你的真理而行。
:4 我沒有和虛謊人同坐，
也不與瞞哄人的同口。
:5 我恨惡惡人的會，
必不與惡人同坐。
:6 耶和華啊，我要洗手表明無辜，

- 才環繞你的祭壇；
:7 我好發稱謝的聲音，
也要述說你一切奇妙的作為。
:8 耶和華啊，我喜愛你所住的殿
和你顯榮耀的居所。

羅馬書 12:9-21

愛人不可虛假、惡要厭惡、善要親近。愛弟兄、要彼此親熱、恭敬人、要彼此推讓。殷勤不可懶惰、要心裏火熱、常常服事主。在指望中要喜樂、在患難中要忍耐。禱告要恆切、聖徒缺乏要幫補、客要一味的款待。逼迫你們的、要給他們祝福、只要祝福、不可咒詛。與喜樂的人要同樂、與哀哭的人要同哭。要彼此同心、不要志氣高大、倒要俯就卑微的人。不要自以為聰明。不要以惡報惡、眾人以為美的事、要留心去作。若是能行、總要盡力與眾人和睦。親愛的弟兄、不要自己伸冤、寧可讓步、聽憑主怒、因為經上記著、『主說、伸冤在我、我必報應。』所以『你的仇敵若餓了、就給他吃、若渴了、就給他喝、因為你這樣行、就是把炭火堆在他的頭上。』你不可為惡所勝、反要以善勝惡。

馬太福音 16:21-28

從此耶穌才指示門徒、他必須上耶路撒冷去、受長老祭司長文士許多的苦、並且被殺、第三日復活。彼得就拉著他、勸他說、主阿、萬不可如此、這事必不臨到你身上。耶穌轉過來、對彼得說、撒但退我後邊去吧、你是絆我腳的、因為你不體貼上帝的意思、只體貼人的意思。於是耶穌對門徒說、若有人要跟從我、就當捨己、背起他的十字架、來跟從我。因為凡要救自己生命的、必喪掉生命、凡為我喪掉生命的、必得著生命。人若賺得全世界、賠上自己的生命、有甚麼益處呢、人還能拿甚麼換生命呢。人子要在他父的榮耀裏、同著眾使者降臨、那時候、他要照各人的行為報應各人。我實在告訴你們、站在這裏的、有人在沒嘗死味以前、必看見人子降臨在他的國裏。凡你在地上所釋放的、在天上也要釋放。」當下，耶穌囑咐門徒，不可對人說他是基督。