

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 20, 2021

Morning Prayer

10:30am



*Jesus Calms the Storm* - Laura James

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*Welcome to ZOOM worship at St. Thomas.  
This Sunday at 10:00am, you are invited to join us  
for open conversation before worship begins at 10:30am.*

*Now that most of us know how to use Zoom, the half hour before service usually  
dedicated to trouble-shooting will also be an open time to connect with one another.  
All are welcome. Just sign in as usual.*

*All others, at 10:20-10:25am Sunday, please connect to our worship meeting.  
There are two ways to do this:*

*1. by computer or smartphone (video and audio):*

*You may access our ZOOM meeting on the following link:*

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82690025101>**

*2. by telephone (audio only):*

**Dial +1 669 900 9128      Meeting ID: 826 9002 5101**

*When prompted for a participant number, touch the pound key #  
Notes for dial-in users: \*6 (star 6) to mute/unmute the audio from your phone  
to the meeting. This doesn't stop audio from the meeting to you.  
\*9 (star 9) raise your hand to (hopefully) let someone else at the meeting know  
you'd like to speak. You may use \*9 again to lower your raised hand.  
Actual connection time may take several minutes; please be patient.*

*Once you are connected, your face (or phone number) should appear  
in a square on your screen, as will the faces of others who have signed in,  
including Pastor Salying.*

*Note: For the sake of audio clarity, your mic will be muted on entry.*

*We will begin with introductory remarks, announcements,  
and then worship with Morning Prayer together as one large body.*

*After the liturgy, all are invited to stay for a community gathering on Zoom ,  
a virtual coffee hour with Bishop Lucinda.*

*You may print the order of service from this document,  
OR you may follow along when the order of service appears on the screen.*

*When all are ready, the officiant will begin.*

## Announcements

### The Blessing of Birthdays & Anniversaries



Prelude

Pepper Choplin

#### *We Are Not Alone*

Members of the St. Thomas Choir  
Michele Kemmerling, soloist

### The Peace

Officiant: The peace of God be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with a namaste of peace.*

*The bell tolls and the officiant continues.*

### Opening sentence

#### *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Officiant: God is Spirit and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

*John 4:24, NRSV*

### The Confession

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

**All: God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**



### Opening versicle

Officiant: O Lord let our mouths proclaim your praise

**People: And your glory all the day long.**

### *Doxology*

**All: Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

### Antiphon

V. The Holy One is in our midst.

**R. O come let us worship.**

### Invitatory Psalm: Psalm 63:1-8

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
**my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.**

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
**that I might behold your power and your glory.**

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
**my lips shall give you praise.**

So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
**and lift up my hands in your Name.**

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
**and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,**

When I remember you upon my bed, \*  
**and meditate on you in the night watches.**

For you have been my helper, \*  
**and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.**

My soul clings to you; \*  
**your right hand holds me fast.**

## **The Lessons**

### **First Lesson Job 38:1-11**

Lector: A reading from the book of Job.

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb?—

when I made the clouds its garment,

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

and prescribed bounds for it,

and set bars and doors,

and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'"

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

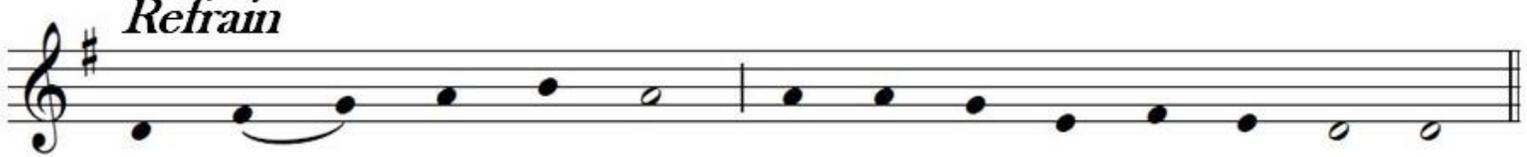


Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.

He stilled the storm to a whisper \*  
and quieted the waves of the sea.

Then were they glad because of the calm, \*  
and he brought them to the harbor they were bound for.      *Refrain*

*Refrain*



Give thanks\_\_ to the Lord whose mer-cies en-dure for ev - er.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.

Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people \*  
and praise him in the council of the elders.      *Refrain*

*Refrain*



Give thanks\_\_ to the Lord whose mer-cies en-dure for ev - er.

## The Epistle:    2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Lector: A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings,

imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Canticle I**      **A Song of Jonah**      *Jonah 2:2-7,9*

I called to you, O God, out of my distress, and you answered me; \*  
**out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice.**

You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, \*  
**and the flood surrounded me; all your waves and billows passed over me.**

Then I said, "I am driven away from your sight; \*  
**how shall I ever look again upon your holy temple?"**

The waters closed in over me, the deep was round about me; \*  
**weeds were wrapped around my head at the roots of the mountains.**

I went down to the land beneath the earth, \*  
**yet you brought up my life from the depths, O God.**

As my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, O God, \*  
**and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple.**

With the voice of thanksgiving, I will sacrifice to you; \*  
**what I have vowed I will pay, for deliverance belongs to the Lord!**

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## The Gospel:

**Mark 4:35-41**

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to you. Lord Christ**

## Sermon

**The Rt. Rev. Lucinda Ashby**

*There will be a period of silence for meditation.*



## Anthem

John Rutter

### [Look At the World](#)

Members of the St. Thomas Choir  
Michele Elizabeth Kemmerling, piano

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,  
and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**Bishop:** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People:** **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

**Bishop:** Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and  
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

**Bishop:** Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you  
fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

**Bishop:** Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News  
of God in Christ?

**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

**Bishop:** Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving  
your neighbor as yourself?

**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

**Bishop:** Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,  
and respect the dignity of every human being?

**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

**Officiant:** May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water  
and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins,  
and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life  
by his grace; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Prayers

*led by the Deacon*

Deacon: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Deacon: Let us pray.

## The Lord's Prayer

*led by the Deacon*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen**

## The Suffrages

*led by the Officiant*

**EOW1**

V. Help us, O God our Savior;  
R. **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

V. Look upon your congregation;  
R. **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

V. Declare your glory among the nations;  
R. **And your wonders among all peoples.**

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;  
R. **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

**R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

**R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

## The Collects

### Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 7

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

### Prayers of the People

Form IV

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence.*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Bishop adds blessing.*

**A 'Franciscan' Blessing**

**Sr. Ruth Fox, OSB**

Bishop: May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy.

May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. **Amen.**

## Concluding Sentence

**EOW1**

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

*Ephesians 3:20,21*

## The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

A. Vivaldi

[Allegro from the Concerto in G minor for Two Cellos](#)

Sophia DeMedeiros, cello 1 & cello 2



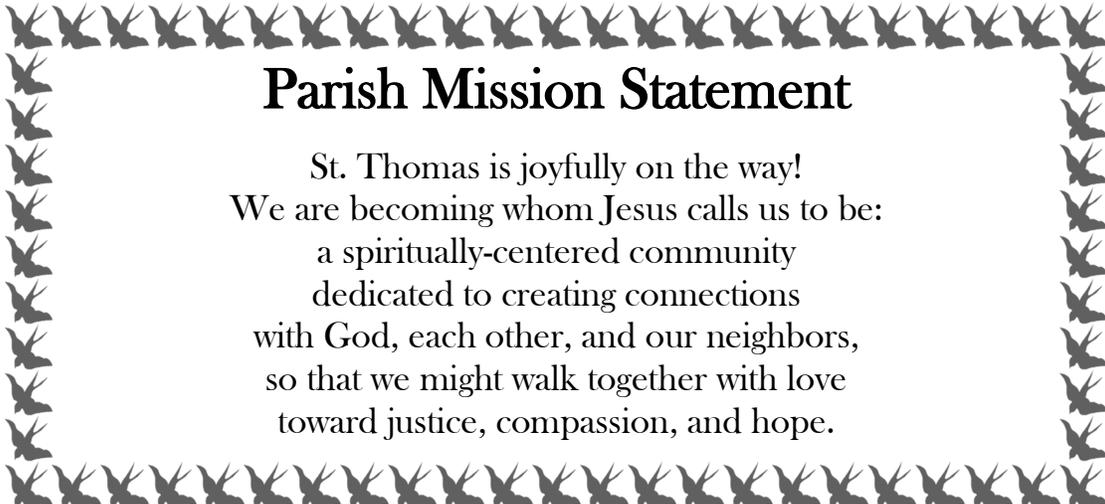
## Serving today

**Officiant:** The Rev. Salying Wong  
**Preacher:** The Rt. Rev. Lucinda Ashby  
**Deacon:** The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah  
**Responder/Intercessor:** Jim Cobb  
**Readers:** Steve Williams, Fulvia Govetto  
**Cantors:** John McVey, Susan McVey

*Please join us for a virtual coffee hour with Bishop Lucinda.*

# Welcome

*St. Thomas' Parish is a reconciling, affirming, and inclusive Christian community striving through worship, love, and service to welcome all people just as God created them. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender identity and gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical, or mental ability. God delights in the diversity of creation, and so do we!*



## Parish Mission Statement

St. Thomas is joyfully on the way!  
We are becoming whom Jesus calls us to be:  
a spiritually-centered community  
dedicated to creating connections  
with God, each other, and our neighbors,  
so that we might walk together with love  
toward justice, compassion, and hope.

### THE VESTRY OF ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SUNNYVALE

Lou Poulain, **Senior Warden**  
Abby O'Connell, **Junior Warden**

Fran Hostettler, **Clerk**

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Lou Poulain  
Ann Kopischke  
Hugo Lopez-Laguna

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Chris Schmidt  
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**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY**

If you or a loved one is in urgent need of pastoral care (hospitalization, death in the family, etc.), PLEASE CALL US.

(The hospital does not always automatically notify the parish)

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If there is no answer, please leave a message.

You may invite prayers online through The Intercessory Prayer Chain  
at prayerchain@stthomas-svale.org