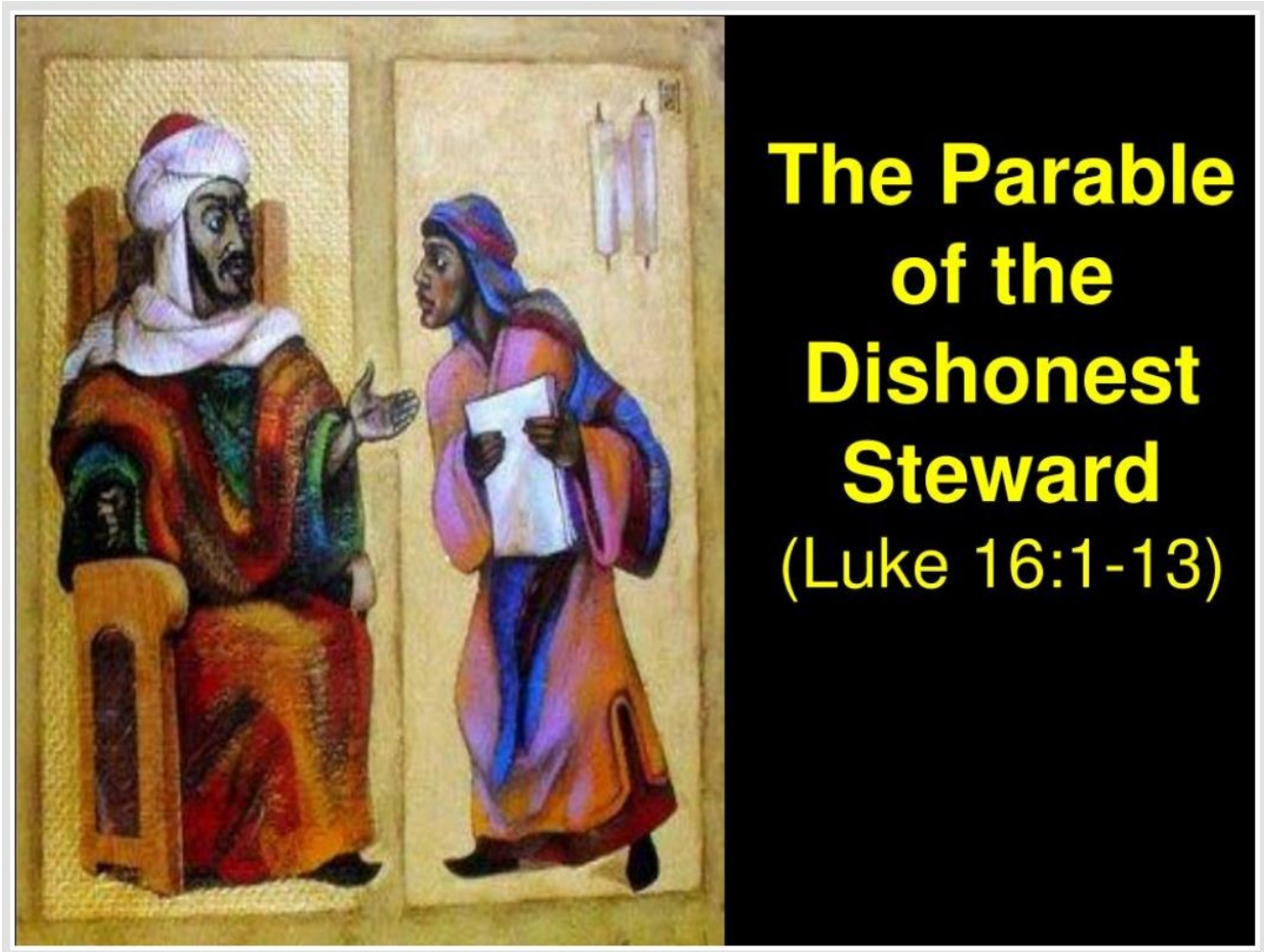


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Morning Prayer EOW1, 10:30am
Proper 20



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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 **Deacon Bertram**, who will lead worship this morning.*

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.

*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

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The Blessing of Birthdays & Anniversaries

Opening music

John Rutter

Be Thou My Vision

Members of the St. Thomas Choir

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

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

John 4:24

The Confession

Deacon/Officiant: 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

Enriching Our Worship 1

Officiant: O God, let our mouth 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: Venite *Psalm 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Gloria

Berthier

Gloria

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

All are welcome to sing along with the recording. Please stay muted.

Music: Jacques Berthier, 1982

1 Dm Gm C F 2 Dm Gm C F

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

3 Dm Gm C F 4 Dm Gm C F

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

This Gloria may be sung as a round

Psalm 113

The cantor will lead the Psalm.

The congregation may join in singing the refrain. Please stay muted.

Refrain:

Let the Name_ of the Lord be__ praised,__

from this__ time_ forth_ for ev - er - more.

Give praise, you servants of the LORD;
praise the Name of the LORD.

Let the Name of the LORD be blessed,
from this time forth for evermore. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Let the Name_ of the Lord be_ praised,_
from this_ time_ forth_ for ev - er - more.

From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the Name of the LORD be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Let the Name_ of the Lord be_ praised,_
from this_ time_ forth_ for ev - er - more.

Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

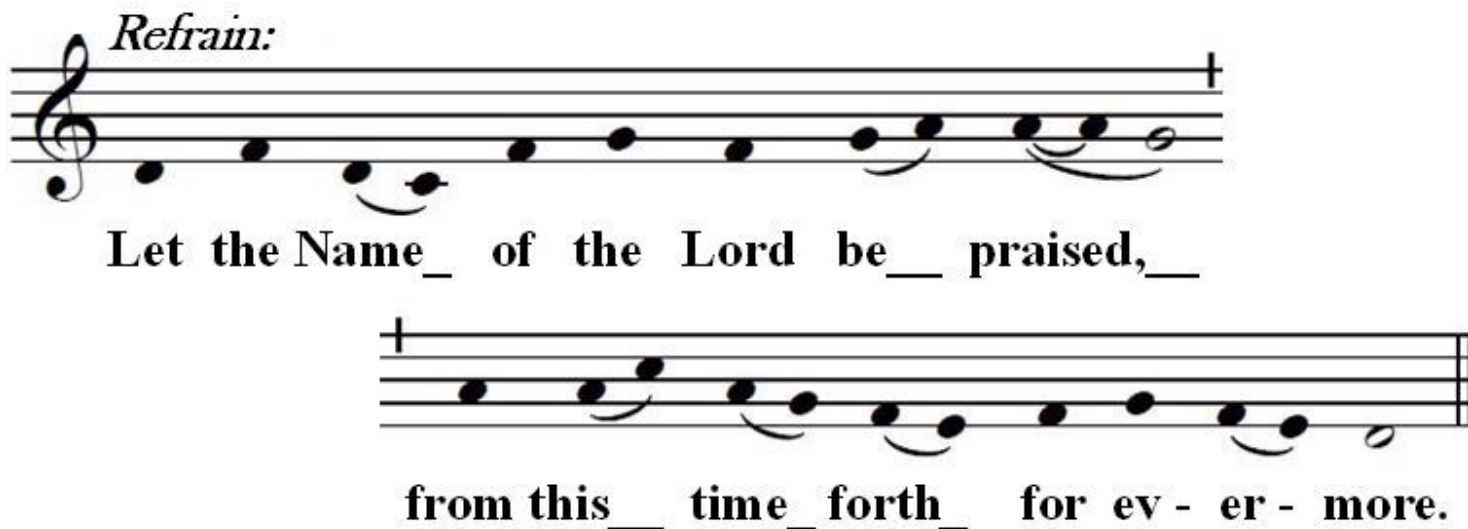
He takes up the weak out of the dust
and lifts up the poor from the ashes. *Refrain (as above)*

He sets them with the princes,
with the princes of his people.

He makes the woman of a childless house
to be a joyful mother of children.

Refrain

Refrain:



Let the Name_ of the Lord be_ praised,_
from this_ time_ forth_ for ev - er - more.

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Amos 8:4-7

Lector: A reading from the book of Exodus.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."
The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

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

People: Thanks be to God

The Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Lector: A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

People: Thanks be to God

Canticle Q A Song of Christ's Goodness *Anselm of Canterbury*

Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you; *
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

Often you weep over our sins and our pride, *
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.

You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds, *
in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.

Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life; *
by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.

Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; *
through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.

will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ

The Sermon

After the sermon there will be a time of silence for reflection.

Anthem

Hymnal #676

[There Is A Balm In Gilead](#)

Members of the St. Thomas Choir

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant and People:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

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.

**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. Amen.**

The Prayers

Officiant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

**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 Collects

Collect for the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 20

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding,
the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Leader: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;
for our Bishop Lucinda and our presiding Bishop
Michael Curry, for this gathering; and for all ministers
and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;
and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the
oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper
knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. [especially_____].

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may add prayers of petition and thanksgivings.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ
has been honored [especially_____].

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Blessing

Celebrant: May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

Daniel Burton

[I Got Me Flowers](#)

SJMP #20852



Serving us at 10:30 am

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah

Intercessor: Jim Cobb

Lectors: Susan McVey, John McVey

Cantor: Patricia Pietrzyk



An updated **Announcement page** is available on line at
[https://docs.google.com/document/
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and updates of various parish events and activities may also be
found on our website at www.stthomas-svale.org



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

Abby O’Connell, **Senior Warden**

Chris Schmidt, **Junior Warden**

Gage McKinney, **Clerk**

2022

Susan McVey

Chris Schmidt

Bill Rosgen

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Pat Dare

Breno DeMedeiros

Abby O’Connell

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Nancy Allgeier

Gage McKinney

Rita Welsh

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Stephanie Daugherty

MaryJane Johnson

Hugo Lopez-Laguna

Mabel Cheng

(Joe Gutierrez, Marilyn Winans alternates)

St. Thomas website: www.stthomas-svale.org

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!

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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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Parish Office.....408-736-4155

If there is no answer, please leave a message.

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