

# NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 16, 2022

Morning Prayer EOW1, 10:30am  
Proper 24



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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 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

Hymnal #337

### [And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love](#)

Fulvia Govetto, soprano    Abby O'Connell, alto  
Ian Fugate, tenor    John Pietrzyk, bass  
Michele Elizabeth Kemmerling, piano

## 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 121

*The cantor will lead the Psalm.*

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

**Refrain**

My help\_\_ comes\_\_ from the Lord,\_\_ the\_\_ mak-er of heav'n and\_\_ earth.

I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?

My help comes from the LORD,  
the maker of heaven and earth.

*Refrain*

*Refrain*



My help\_\_ comes\_ from the Lord,\_ the\_\_ mak-er of heav'n and\_ earth.

He will not let your foot be moved  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

*Refrain*

*Refrain*



My help\_\_ comes\_ from the Lord,\_ the\_\_ mak-er of heav'n and\_ earth.

The LORD himself watches over you;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

*Refrain*

*Refrain*



My help\_\_ comes\_ from the Lord,\_ the\_\_ mak-er of heav'n and\_ earth.

The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;  
it is he who shall keep you safe.

The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore. *Refrain (as above)*

# The Lessons

## The First Lesson:      **Genesis 32:22-31**

Lector: A reading from the book of Genesis.

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

**People: Thanks be to God**

## The Epistle:   **2 Timothy 3:14-4:5**

Lector: A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in

teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

## Canticle D A Song of the Wilderness

*Isaiah 35:1-7,10*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, \*  
**the desert shall rejoice and blossom;**

It shall blossom abundantly, \*  
**and rejoice with joy and singing.**

They shall see the glory of the Lord, \*  
**the majesty of our God.**

Strengthen the weary hands, \*  
**and make firm the feeble knees.**

Say to the anxious, “Be strong, do not fear! \*  
**Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you.”**

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, \*  
**and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.**

Then shall the lame leap like a deer, \*  
**and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.**

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness \*  
**and streams in the desert;**

The burning sand shall become a pool\*  
**and the thirsty ground, springs of water.**

The ransomed of God shall return with singing, \*  
**with everlasting joy upon their heads.**

Joy and gladness shall be theirs, \*  
**and sorrow and sighing shall flee away**

**The Gospel: Luke 18:1-8**

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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**

arr. O. D. Hall, Jr.

[Fairest Lord Jesus/More Precious Than Silver](#)

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## **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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 24

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

*The Episcopal Network for Stewardship*

**Celebrant:** Recognizing that our gifts are miracles that enable our ministry, serve our neighbors, and strengthen our community, we gather to offer our intentions, petitions, and thanksgivings to God.

**Leader:** I ask your prayers for the Church, the inspiration and inheritance of our gifts of wealth, works, and wisdom. Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Lucinda, our Bishop, and all other ministers in the Church.

*silence*

**People:** When we give out of our abundance,  
**There is always more than enough.**

**Leader:** I ask your prayers for the world, your greatest miracle. May we who inherit this earth be wise stewards of Creation and kind caretakers of all your creatures. I ask your prayers for those who lead our nations. For António, Secretary-General of the United

Nations; for Joseph, our President; for our legislative and judicial institutions, and for the representatives of our local government. May they use the plentiful resources they steward to care for the people of the world.

*silence*

**People:** When we give out of our abundance,  
**There is always more than enough.**

**Leader:** I ask your prayers for our neighbors and all who need or request our prayers. For those who are marginalized and oppressed; those who are sick and those who are dying; for the lonely and isolated; for those who are suffering; and for those who sleep on our streets. I pray for all on our prayer list, and family and friends we name now.

*Names may be spoken aloud or added in silence*

**People:** When we give out of our abundance,  
**There is always more than enough.**

**Leader:** I ask your prayers for those who have died. May they forever gather at your table of plenty, sharing their gifts with love and joy.

*silence*

We remember the many past members of St. Thomas, whose gifts, bequests and intentions provide inspiration and abundance beyond their lifetimes.

**People:** When we give out of our abundance,  
**There is always more than enough.**

**Leader:** As the crowd gathered to hear Jesus preach shared two fish and five loaves, they discovered that when their gifts were blessed, they increased and became a blessing to others. We give you thanks for the uncountable miracles and blessings in our lives.

*silence*

**People:** When we give out of our abundance,  
**There is always more than enough.**

**Celebrant:** May we, too, reach within ourselves to share our gifts with the world so that our love overflows in a need-filled world. These and all things we ask in the name of Your Son.

**People:** **Amen.**

## 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

Parker Ramsay

[I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes](#)

SJMP #20852



**Serving us at 10:30 am**

**Officiant & Preacher:** The Rev. Salying Wong

**Deacon:** The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah

**Intercessor:** Hugo Lopez-Laguna

**Lectors:** Dorothy Furgerson, John McVey

**Cantor:** Jeremy Smith

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](http://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**

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Chris Schmidt

Bill Rosgen

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Pat Dare

Breno DeMedeiros

Abby O’Connell

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Nancy Allgeier

Gage McKinney

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Stephanie Daugherty

MaryJane Johnson

Hugo Lopez-Laguna

Mabel Cheng

(Joe Gutierrez, Marilyn Winans alternates)

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**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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If there is no answer, please leave a message.

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