

The Holy Name

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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

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1M_iFUN25FBuxOVTr0UKw6mokVcdE9iNII9RFrPIKNAg/edit?usp=sharing

The Blessing of Birthdays & Anniversaries

Opening music

Charles Wood

[Ding Dong Merrily On High](#)

You are welcome to sing along with the recording, but please stay muted.

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: Behold, I bring you good news of a great joy, which will come to all the people; for unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:10, 11

The Confession

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.**

Christmas Antiphon

V. Alleluia. To us a child is born:

R. O come let us adore him. Alleluia.

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

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!

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 8

O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?

You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Numbers 6:22-27

Lector: A reading from the book of Numbers

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying,
Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,
The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to
you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you
peace.

So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

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

People: Thanks be to God

The Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Lector: A reading from the letter to the Philippians

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

Canticle L A Song of Christ's Humility *Philippians 2:6-11*

Though in the form of God, *
Christ Jesus did not cling to equality with God,
But emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, *
and was born in human likeness.
Being found in human form, he humbled himself *
and became obedient to death, even death on a cross.

Therefore, God has highly exalted him *
and given him the name above every name,
That at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, *
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, *
to the glory of God the Father.

The Gospel: Luke 2:15-21

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ

The Homily:

There will be a time of silence for reflection.

I Sing of a Maiden

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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 Holy Name

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**

The Prayers of the People

Officiant: As we join the whole creation and celebrate with joy the Word made flesh, let us offer prayers to God who dwells among us to the end of time.

Leader: By the wedding of the human and divine natures in Christ Jesus.

Silence.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For Lucinda our bishop, and the presbyters, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Silence.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice.

Silence.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for the dying, especially...

Please name aloud.

Silence.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For those who have died in Christ, and for those whose faith is known to God alone, especially those whom we now name...

Please name aloud.

Silence.

Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need. Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, St. Thomas, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: To you, O Lord.

All are invited to share prayers of intercession and thanksgiving.

Those connecting on Zoom may unmute and share.

*Phones press *6 to unmute.*

Officiant: Source of grace and truth, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May we come to see the true light who shines throughout the world and who is God for all eternity.

Glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

Concluding Sentence

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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 3:20,2

The Dismissal

People: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Arlen Clarke

[Love Came Down at Christmas](#)

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Serving us at 10:30 am

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. Salying Wong

Deacon: The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah

Intercessor/Responder: Jim Cobb

Lectors: Abby O'Connell, John Pietrzyk

Zoom Host: The Rev. Salying Wong



An updated **Announcement page** is available on line at
[https://docs.google.com/document/
d/1M_iFUN25FBuxOVTr0UKw6mokVcdE9iNII9RFrPIKNAg](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1M_iFUN25FBuxOVTr0UKw6mokVcdE9iNII9RFrPIKNAg)
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.

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Abby O'Connell, **Senior Warden**

Chris Schmidt, **Junior Warden**

Gage McKinney, **Clerk**

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Chris Schmidt

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Mabel Cheng

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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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If there is no answer, please leave a message.

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