

TRINITY

June 4 2023

Rite II, 10:30am



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Holy Eucharist

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We are so happy you are here today, in-person and online.

For those of you coming to church in-person, please follow these guidelines to keep everyone safe during this pandemic:

INDOOR - Masking is now recommended at church services. For those who have vulnerable health issues, our 10:30am services always offer an option to worship from the safety of home. Please stay home if you feel sick.

*When the priest celebrates communion, she will always thoroughly wash her hands. She will be unmasked while celebrating communion. She will re-mask to distribute communion, since she will come closer than six feet and want to make everyone as comfortable receiving. **Thank you** for your continued patience as we try to provide the greatest level of safety for all of us!*

OUTDOOR - Please be aware of those around you who may be vulnerable and try to maintain a distance. Our coffee hour will be on the Alpha-Omega patio.

For those attending remotely, you may connect in either of two ways:

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 (#).

*Please follow the usual procedures for muting and unmuting (*6) and raising a hand (*9). For the sake of audio clarity, your mic will be muted on entry.*

*Please note: Regarding joining us on Zoom, we welcome newcomers and appreciate your **on-time** attendance. If you arrive more than 15 minutes after the service begins, our Zoom protocols may not permit your joining the service.*

Equally important, please be sure that your zoom account ID includes your first and last name. We look forward to seeing you.

After worship today please join us for coffee hour in Cowans Hall across the courtyard.

Prelude

M. Mussorgsky

Promenade from *Pictures At An Exhibition*

Kay, trumpet

Benjamin Belew, piano

Opening Hymn

Hymnal #370

I Bind Unto Myself Today

Vs. 1, 2, 6, 7

All are invited to sing along. Zoom participants, please stay muted.



1. I bind un - to__ my - self__ to - day__ the strong_ Name



of__ the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion



of the same__ the_ Three in__ One,__ and One in Three.



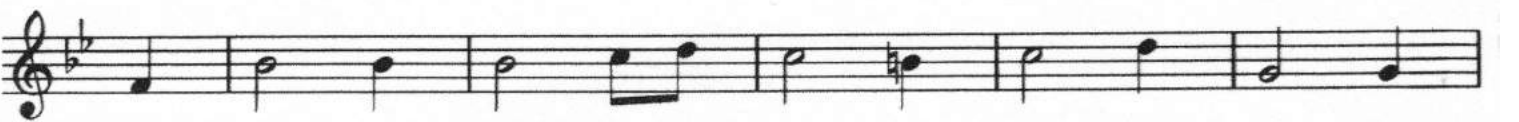
2 I bind this day__ to me__ for__ ev - er, by power_ of



faith,__ Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism__ in__ the



Jor - dan riv - er; his_ death on__ cross__ for my sal - va - tion;



his burst - ing from the__ spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing

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up__ the heaven-ly way; his com - ing_ at__ the



day of doom;_ I__ bind un - to__ my - self to - day.



*** 6 Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me,
Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,**



**Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that**



**win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.**



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7. I bind un - to__ my - self__ the_ Name,_ the strong_ Name
of__ the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same,_ the_ Three in_ One,_ and One in Three.
Of whom all na - ture_ hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to__ the_ Lord__ of
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion_ is__ of Christ the Lord.

Words: Att. Patrick (372-466); tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Music: *St. Patrick's Breastplate*, Irish melody; adapt. Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

Greeting

Celebrant:



Bless-ed be the one, ho - ly and liv - ing God.

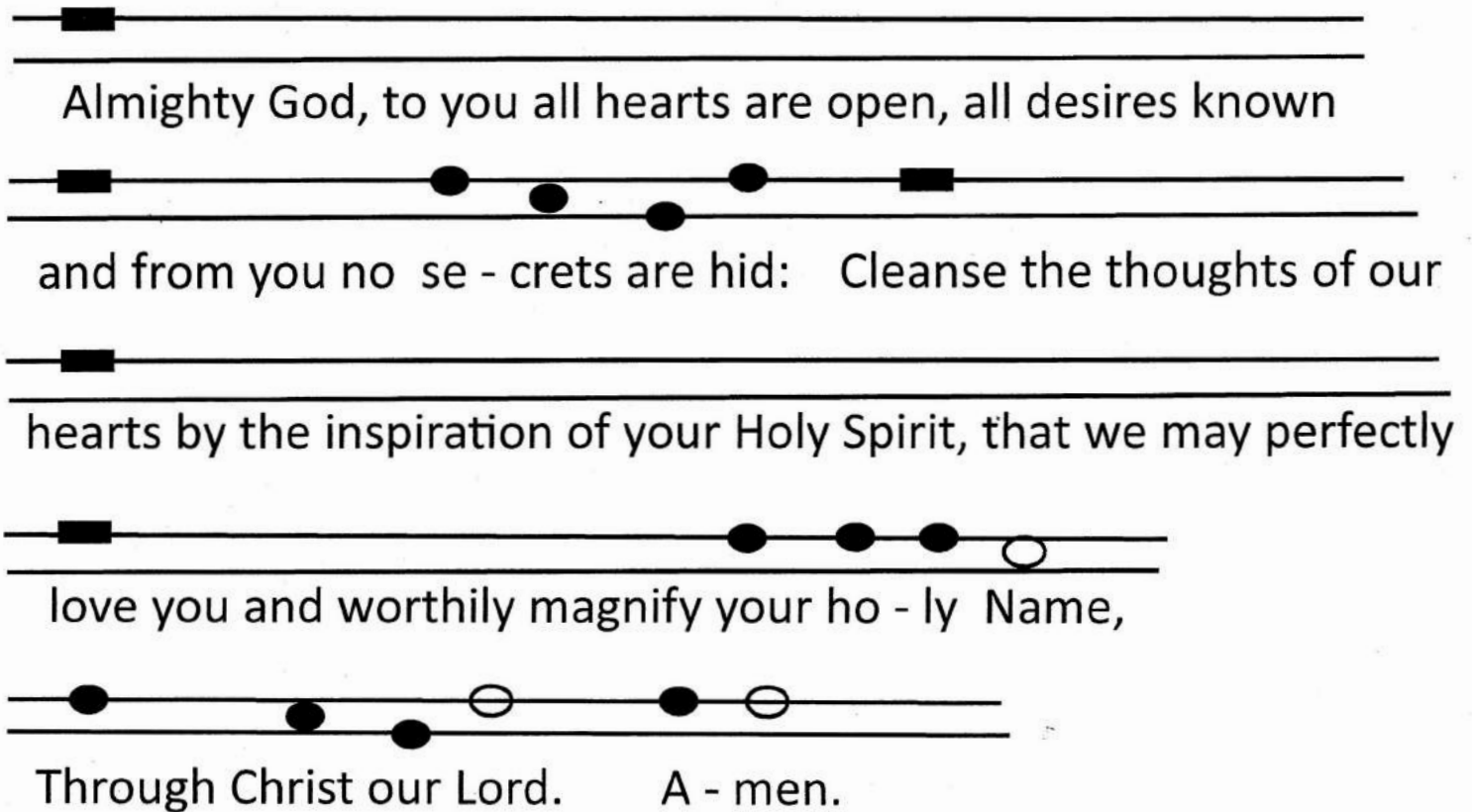
People:



Glo - ry to God for ev - er and ev - er.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant:



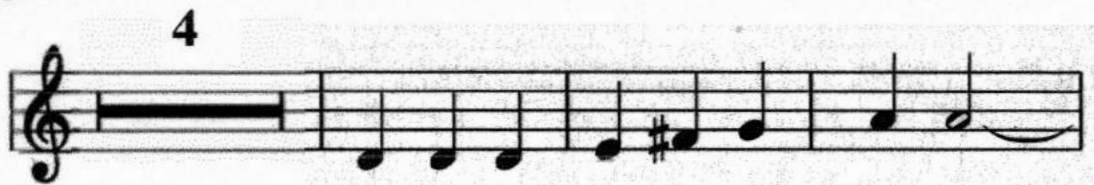
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known
and from you no se - crets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you and worthily magnify your ho - ly Name,
Through Christ our Lord. A - men.

Gloria

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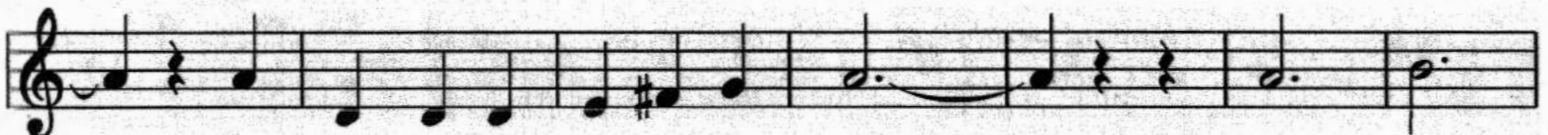
*Please join in singing
the Gloria.*

*Zoom participants
please stay muted*



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Glo-ry to God in the high-est, _



_ and peace to his peo-ple on earth ___ Lord God,



heav'n-ly King, al - might-y God_ and Fa - ther, _ we wor-ship



you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry__

Fa-ther, __

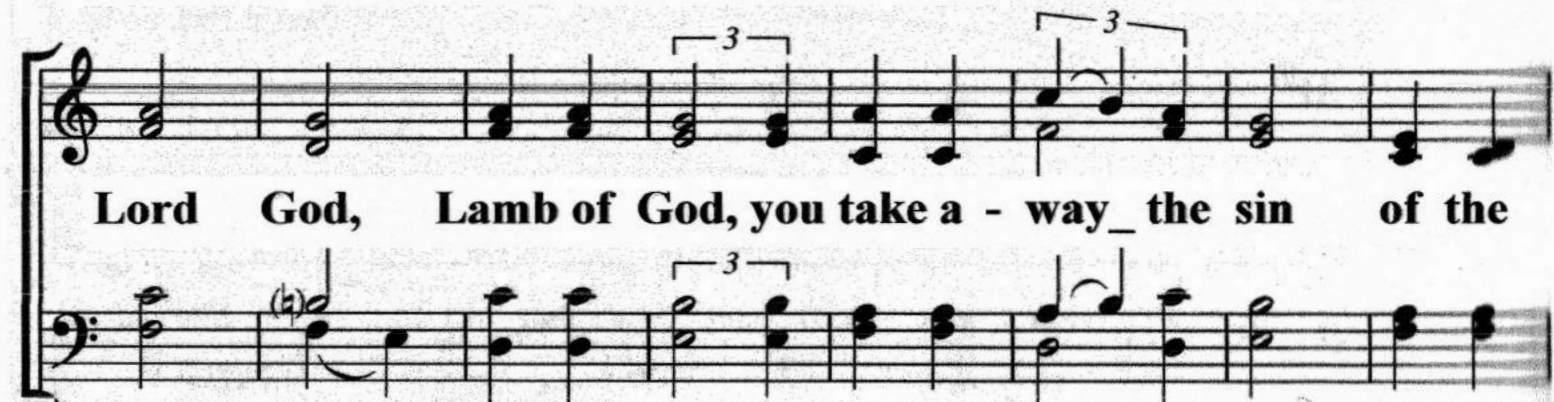


Lord Je-sus Christ, __ on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, __

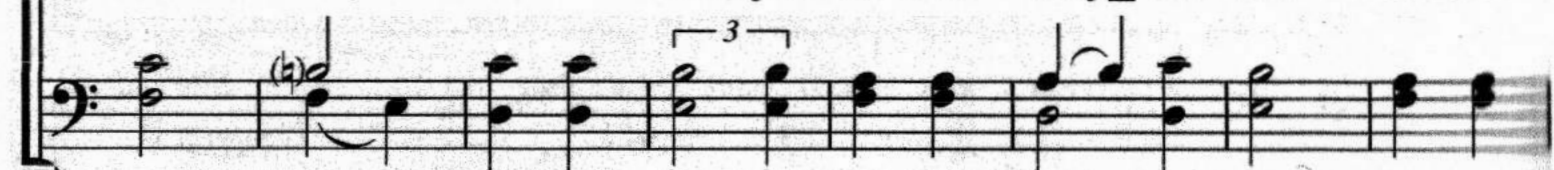
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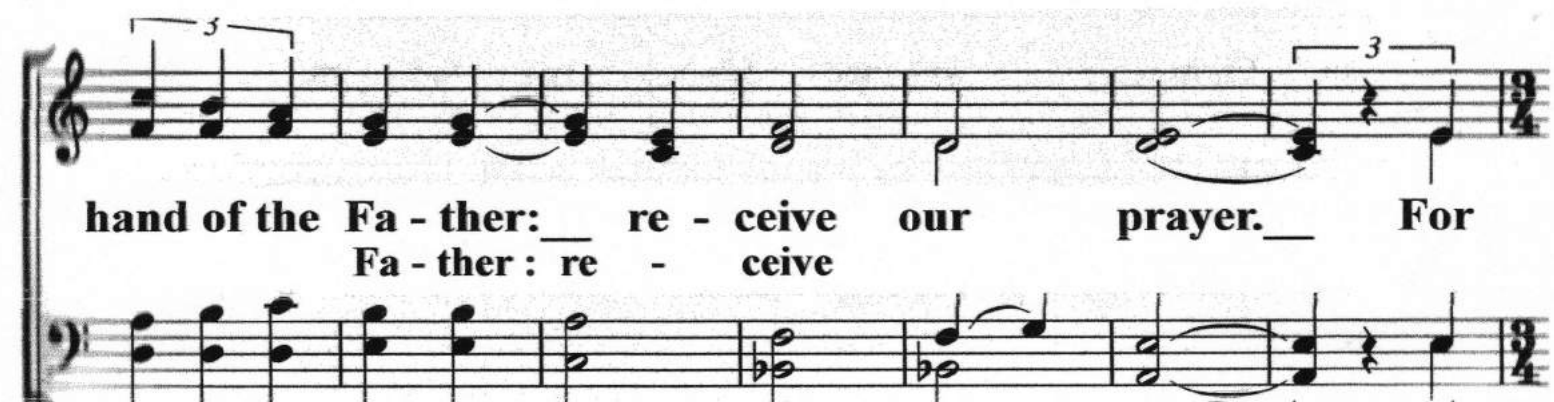
Fa-ther, __



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

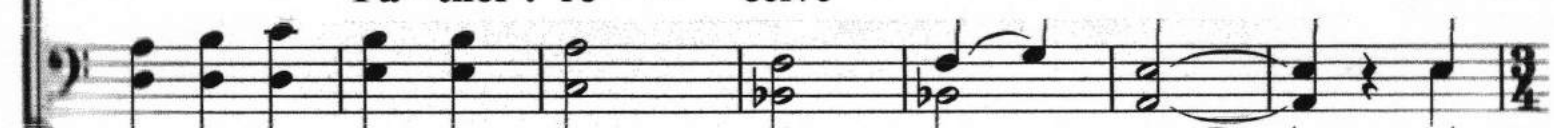


world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right



hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For

Fa - ther : re - ceive



Fa - ther : re - ceive

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you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the
 Lord, you a - lone are the Most High
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect for Trinity



Celebrant: God be with you.



People: And also with you



Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to

worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of

the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps

on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

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

People: Thanks be to God

Canticle 13 A Song of Praise

Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

The choir and the congregation sing together the refrain.

Zoom participants please stay muted.

Refrain

We will praise_ you and high-ly ex - alt__ you for ev - er.

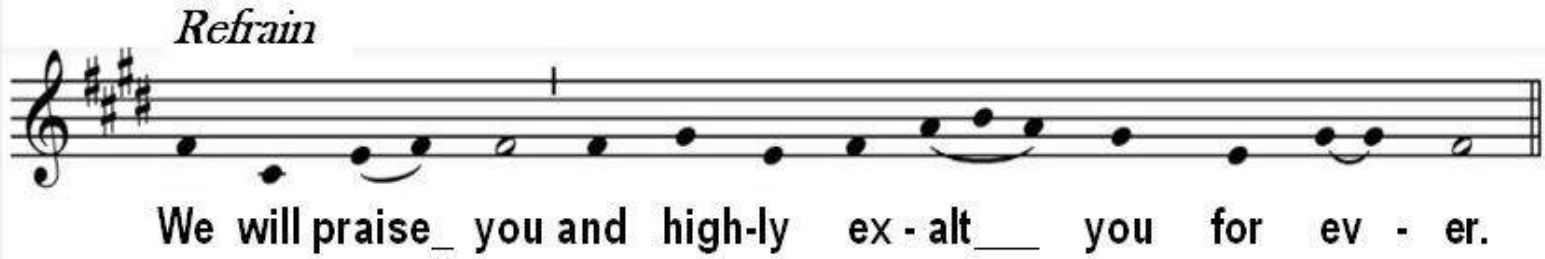
Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Refrain (as above)

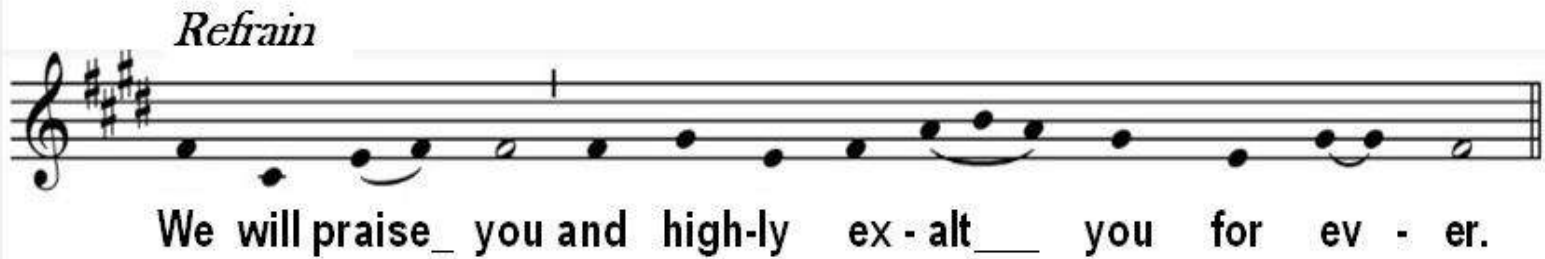
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. *Refrain*



Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. *Refrain*



The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

People: Thanks be to God

Holy, Holy, Holy

All are invited to sing along. Zoom participants, please stay muted.

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord_ God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord_ God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 Cast - ing down their gol - den crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name in earth and sky and sea

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 On - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt.
 Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

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The Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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.*

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Form III

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

The people may add their own petitions

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession

**All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Absolution

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

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And also with you.

The people and the ministers greet one another.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Offertory sentence

Offertory Anthem

Craig Courtney

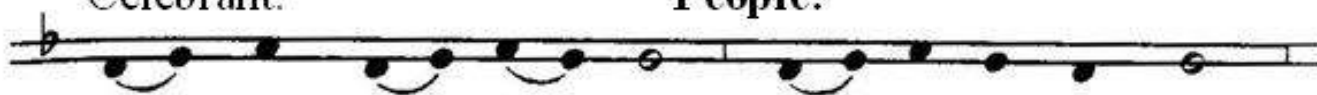
One Faith, One Hope, One Lord
Members of the St. Thomas Choir
Kay, trumpet
Benjamin Belew, accompanist


Celebrant: All things come of you, O Lord.


People: And of your own have we given you.


Sursum Corda

Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: People:

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant: People:

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People:

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**People: By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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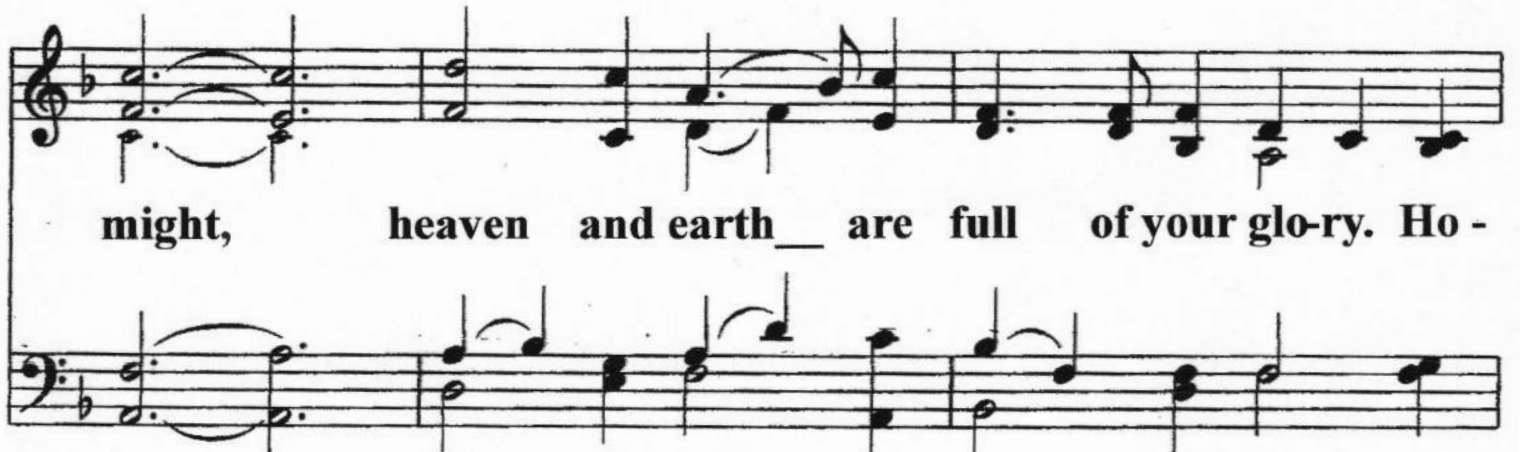
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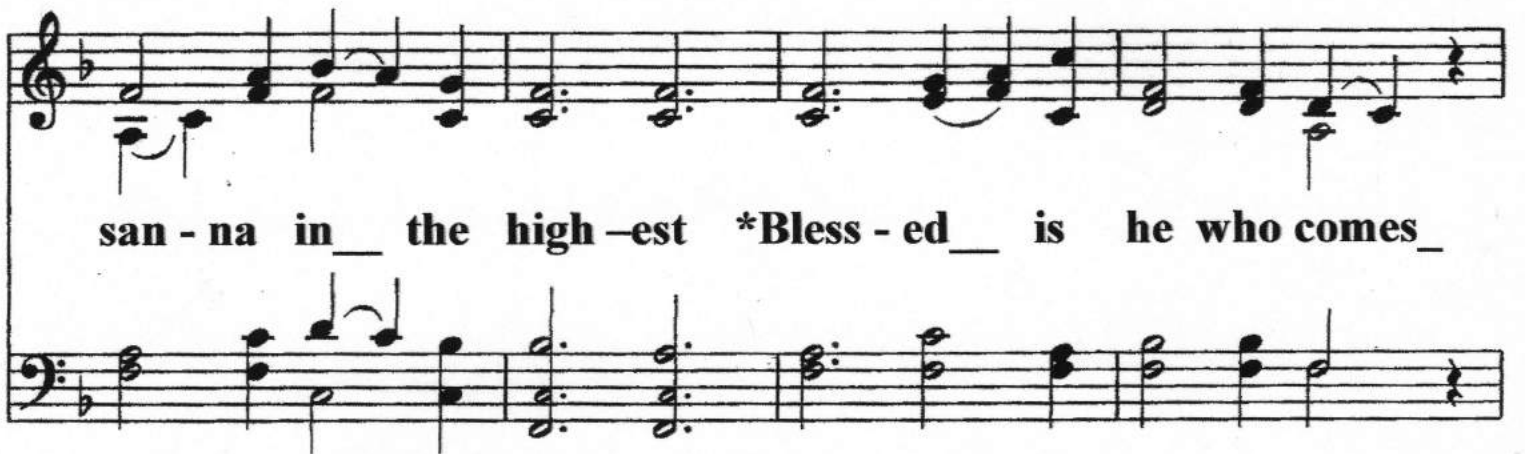
Celebrant and People:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and



might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est *Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The melody is written in a simple, folk-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the treble staff: "High - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases being held over from the previous measure.

Setting: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner;
 harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
 © Church Pension Fund

Celebrant:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**People: We celebrate his death and resurrection,
 as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant:

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, and Jacob;
 Lord God of our Mothers: God of Hagar, Sarah, Rebecca, and Rachel;
 God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon

only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant:

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

Celebrant and **People: AMEN**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Communion

Everyone is invited to come forward to receive Communion.

Please come to the rail.

- *You may stand or kneel at the altar rail, as you are able.*
- *As a symbol of our unity as the body of Christ, the wine will be served from the flagon into individual cups after the consecration. Once you have consumed your wine, please place the cup on one of the trays near the aisles.*
- *If you do not wish to receive communion, you may receive a blessing: please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you wish to be blessed.*
- *Gluten free bread is available upon asking.*

Communion hymn

Hymnal #324

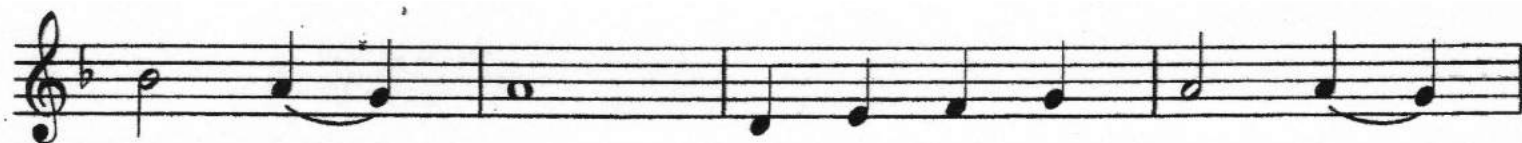
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Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Zoom participants are invited to sing along. Please stay muted.



1 Let all mor-tal flesh keep__ si - lence, and with fear and
2 King of kings yet born of__ Ma - ry, as of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of__ hea - ven spreads its van-guard
4 At his feet the six - winged_ ser - aph cher - u - bim with



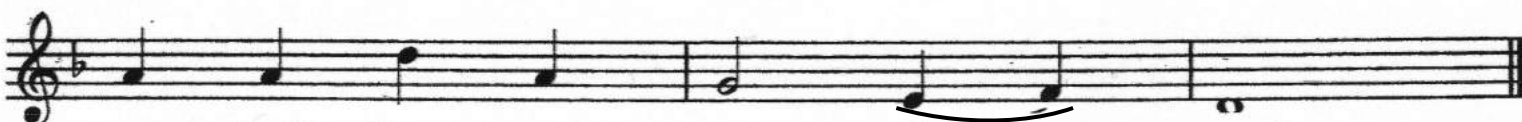
trem - bling__ stand, pon - der noth - ing earth - ly__
 earth he__ stood, Lord of lords in hu - man__
 on the__ way, as the Light of Light de -
 sleep - less__ eye veil their fa - ces to the__



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his__ hand.
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the__ Blood.
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less__ day,
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they__ cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may va - nish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"



our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly__ food.
 as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 Al - le - lu - ia Lord Most__ High.

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)

Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860 87. 87. 87

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand.

Celebrant and People:

Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

**of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Book of Occasional Services

Celebrant: The Lord bless you and keep you. **Amen.**

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be
gracious to you. **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you
peace. **Amen.**

The Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
the holy and undivided Trinity, guard you, save you, and
bring you to that heavenly City, where he lives and
reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

WLP #782

see next page

Gracious Spirit

Zoom participants are invited to sing along. Please stay muted.



1. Gra - cious Spir-it, give__ your ser-vants joy to set__ sin's
2. Word made flesh who gave__ up glo-ry to be-come__ our
3. Lov - ing God, who birthed__ cre-a-tion from the noth - ing -
4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,



cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart-ed,
great__ high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
ness__ of space, kin - dling life where all__ was emp - ty,
un - be - gun, bound-less grace and per - fect jus - tice,



peace to share__ love's li - ber-ty. Through us bring your balm__ of
to re - deem__ the last__ and least, let your cour-age and__ com-
turn-ing cha - os in - to grace when we feel con-fused__ and
right-eous and__ for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in__ your



glad-ness to the wound-ed and op-pressed: help__ us claim and
pas-sion shape and guide__ our min - is - tries: as__ our Sav-ior
fruit-less, dawn up - on__ our rest - less night; give__ us faith's im-
mer-cy that our wills__ and yours u - nite; through__ us may the



show__ God's fa - vor as__ a peo - ple called and blessed.
 and__ our Shep-herd lead__ us to__ the truth that frees.
 ag - in - a - tion, hope's__ re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 world__ be - hold you, find__ your love, your truth, your light.

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The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Yo-sui

Shonen Jedi

Kay, trumpet

Benjamin Belew, piano



Serving us at 10:30 am

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Salying Wong

Deacon: The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah

Eucharistic Minister: Ann Kopischke

Greeters: MaryJane Johnson et al

Lectors: John Pietrzyk, Patricia Pietrzyk

Cantor: Jeremy Smith

Pianist/Organist: Benjamin Belew

Zoom Host: Lou Poulain

Stream/Tech team: Breno DeMedeiros, Sophia DeMedeiros

Today in the Parish

Coffee Hour today will be inside Cowans Hall. Please be mindful of Covid protocols. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Coffee Hour Hosts and Lectors needed We enjoy hospitality at the church and it takes servants to make sure it happens. If you can help set up and clean up after coffee hour, please let Pastor Salying know. Also, if you can serve as a reader at either service, please also let Pastor Salying know.

Pronoun buttons and map to gender neutral bathroom – St Thomas welcomes all, including transgender and nonbinary siblings in Christ. To make that visible, pronoun buttons are now available in the rear of the church. You can choose one to show your preferred pronoun in English. As well, it shows our hospitality to those who choose to be identified by less usual pronouns. And did you know we have bathrooms for all genders? By the buttons you'll find a map to guide you.

Library News:

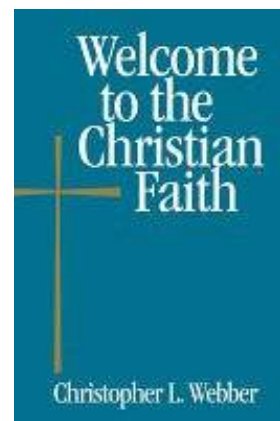
Archives "NEW" Display

The Children's Kneelers are the work of the Sunday School Children inspired by Sunday School Bible lessons. John Russell redrew each picture to be suitable for a kneeler, and each sewer made them to scale. John took all the Children's Kneelers as flat pieces to a men's needle craft display in Palo Alto before they were made into kneelers in the fall of 1982. The kneelers are in the chapel and by the Bishop's Chair.

~ submitted by Stephanie Daugherty

Book of the Week June 4

[Welcome to the Christian faith](#) by Christopher Webber
An introduction to Christianity for newcomers or anyone who needs a little refresher. The author provides an explanation of the Trinity.



New Item in Literature Rack – right side of the narthex
The June/July copies of *Forward Movement: Day by Day* and *The UpperRoom* have arrived.

Summer Reading Program

Our theme for 2023 is ***Build A Bouquet of Books!***



Everyone is invited to join us for our Summer Reading Program. All you do is read any book you want, either from our church library, borrowed from a friend, or even the public library. Audiobooks also count. For every book you read your name will be entered in a drawing and prizes will be given on Sunday, August 13. A \$25.00 gift card from Leigh's Bookstore in Sunnyvale will be presented to one of the winning kids as well as a gift card for an adult.

If you are attending in person at a 10:30 service, you will be able to fill out a “flower” with your name, title, and author of each book you read. The “flowers” will be available at the bulletin board in the back of the church.

If you are a visitor and would like to participate in our program, be sure to put your phone number or email address on the back of the Flower. If you are unable to attend church, you may send your name and book title to: Carol at Library@stthomas-svale.us

All-Parish Workday Next Saturday June 10

We are readying our campus as we implement our Financial Sustainability Plan. We will be cleaning out the storage rooms in the back of the hall. But there will be other tasks. Please come help. We begin at 9am and go to 2pm. Lunch will be provided around 12:00 noon.

Worship schedule:

Sunday, June 11 2nd Pent. proper 5	8am - in person 10:30am - Hybrid	Holy Eucharist Rite I Holy Eucharist Rite II
Sunday, June 18 3rd Pent. proper 6	8am - in person 10:30am - Zoom only	Holy Eucharist Rite I Morning Prayer
Sunday, June 25 4th Pent. proper 7	8am - in person 10:30am - Hybrid	Holy Eucharist Rite I Holy Eucharist Rite II
Sunday, July 2 5th Pent. proper 8	8am - in person 10:30am - Zoom only	Holy Eucharist Rite I Morning Prayer

Parish Picnic – June 25, 12:00noon, in Cowans Hall

Our Parish Picnic will be held on June 25, starting at noon, or after the 10:30am Eucharist that morning.

All festivities will be held in Cowans Hall, and on the back patio where we will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie-burgers. We will also provide all the beverages. As part of our agape gathering format, we ask that you bring a side dish such as appetizers, veggie platters, snacks, or dessert to share.

Please do not feel that you need to bring something to come. All are welcome at our tables!

Agape Circle First Friday of each month (mostly!) at 6:30pm, Cowans Hall (we will observe "mask" protocols as necessary).

Join us **Friday, July 7, 6:30 pm** in Cowans Hall to share a pot-luck meal and have some fun, theme tba! Please bring a dish to share and serving utensils.

Summer Vacation programs for children

St. Tim's and St. Jude's Vacation Bible Camp –If you would like to be a part of a one week Vacation Bible School program (July 10-14), you can register here: tinyurl.com/VBCJuly2023. \$100/child.

Location: St. Tim's 2094 Grant Road, Mountain View, CA

St. Thomas will have a different sort of program, like we've done in previous years. Be on the lookout for details!

General Announcements

Thanksgiving and Memorial Donations to Altar Guild

Our altar guild appreciates your support in making our space holy and beautiful. You can make a donation for fresh flowers on a designated date or a general donation for supplies, like communion wine and bread and oil for the candles. You can make this donation online or by check, with "altar guild" on the memo line. If applicable, **please also include** (1) the date for the commemoration and (2) the person or occasion to be commemorated.

Peace and Justice Report

~ Cal Cornwell

I attended a zoom meeting with State Senator Dave Cortese to talk with him about the housing crisis in California. He has asked the legislature's audit division to look into the funding for housing that was intended for San Jose. He reported that considerable funds have been given to the city but people are reporting to him that they don't see the additional housing. The audit should spread some light on the what is happening.

He is a supporter of SB 567 The Homelessness Prevention Act which responds to the present-day reality millions of California renters are facing. It provides greater housing stability for more renter households by closing loopholes that allow for rampant abuse of the "no-fault" just causes for eviction. It will remove "substantial renovation" as a cause for a "no fault" eviction.

We were encouraged to call our state senators by Wednesday May 17 to encourage them to vote yes for SB 567.

COVID Protocols update

Masks are recommended at the services. Please maintain six feet distance to keep all comfortable.

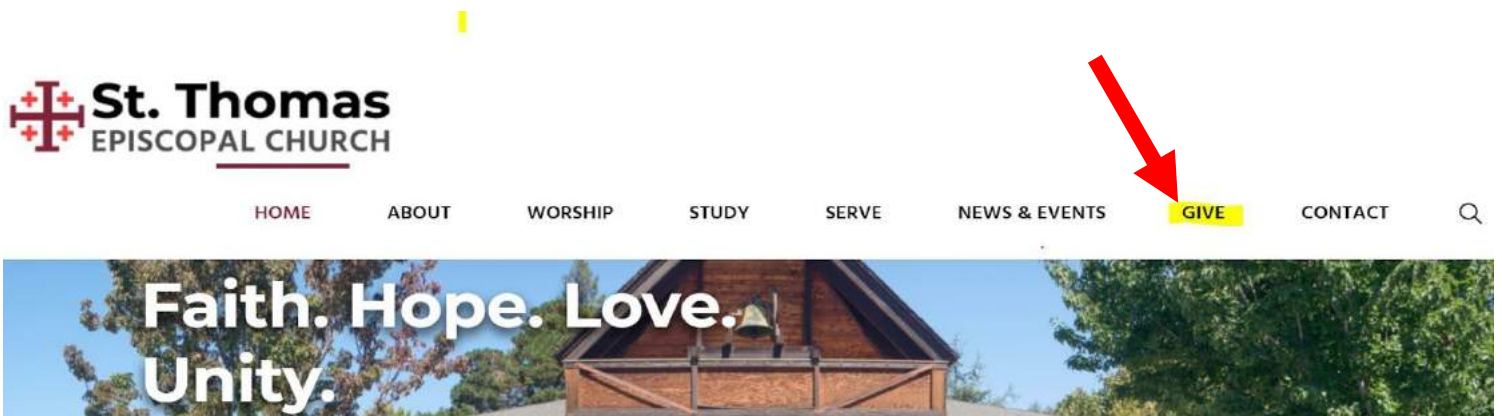
Pledges, Offerings & Donations

Your pledges and other donations may always be mailed to the church office and marked to the attention of the Treasurer.

When donating by check, please make the check payable to “St. Thomas Episcopal Church”.

Under our current public health restrictions, we encourage you to mail in your pledges and offerings to the church or use our online donation option.

Online Giving Please look for the “GIVE” option on the main



menu bar on the St. Thomas website. It is located on the upper right side of the home page. Once you select “GIVE”, you will be taken to a new page where you may donate through PayPal, using a debit or credit card. OR, if you prefer, you may go directly to the PayPal site through the following link:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=9C43D8TLRQCLU&source=url

If you choose to give online, please be aware that St. Thomas does pay a fee for each transaction.

As always, we want to say “Thank You!”
Peace, Jim Cobb

Welcome to the St. Thomas Library

Library Hours The church library will be open **on Sundays** after the 8 a.m. service, and again after the 10:30 service (on the Sundays when we worship in person). Carol or a member of the Library Committee will be available to answer questions on Fridays from 10-12; after 12:00 our administrator Anne will be available until 4:00 to open the door for you. Call 408-736-4155 for access, or knock loudly! We request that you remember to wear your mask.

Small Groups and Spiritual Formation Ministries

St Thomas Stepping Stones Jail Ministry

Get proximate to the pain and you will make the deepest connection. Join the St. Thomas Stepping Stone Jail ministry and get proximate to those who are in need of community and love. We began by sending out pen-pal letters and the coming weeks we will try to organize going in person into the jail (only for persons who want/agreed to do this work).

Please contact Deacon Bertram (bertramemail@gmail.com) if you have any questions or wish to volunteer.

The Prayer Chain and Helping Hands and Hearts

Committee. Anyone who needs prayers or needs pastoral care assistance or would like to join in this ministry, please send an email to: prayerchain@stthomas-svale.us.

Family Ministry Contact Sue Beckham through our website for information: www.stthomas-svale.org/contact/

Senior Ministry If you are a Senior at Saint Thomas and are not yet receiving our twice weekly Senior Activities Sheets please contact

Sue Beckham through our website for information: www.stthomas-svale.org/contact/

Zooming in Men's Spiritual Growth Group

Yes! Now you can be there in your pajamas (at least), and therefore sleep a bit longer. But on the other hand we can no longer advertise coffee + if you arrive a bit early. We are now meeting **weekly** with a standard format, alternating between wondering what the scriptures might be leading us to personally on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays (9-10 AM on your computer), and on the other Saturdays, a check-in and just for sanity's sake (starting at 9 AM). Our Zoom meetings are password protected so you'll need to connect with Chris Schmidt (randischris@gmail.com) if you are new to the group. We invite all men (even those not a part of St. Thomas) to join with us for fellowship and good discussion.

Book Club usually meets once a month from 7 to 8 p.m. in the St. Thomas Library. We are an open book club: All are welcome, whether you have read the book or not. Our next meeting will take place on **Monday June 26** and will be hosted by Dorothy Furgerson.

Using Zoom conferencing, we will meet to discuss *Amy and Isabelle* by Elizabeth Strout. Witty and often profound, the novel evokes a teenager's alienation from her distant mother—and a parent's rage at the discovery of her daughter's secrets. Amy's scandal causes Isabelle to suffer from the harsh judgment of their gossip-ridden mill town, intensifying her shame about her own secret past. Through others' dramas, both confront the fragility of human happiness.

Please join us—contact Dorothy through our website www.stthomas-svale.org/contact for the Zoom link.

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**

Weekly Worship at St. Thomas

Tuesdays, 6pm Centering Prayer, led by Pastor Salying
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/724376004>
Dial-in option: 1 669 900 9128 meeting ID# 724376004

Wednesdays, 12:15pm Noonday Prayer with Commemoration of a Saint,
led by Pastor Salying: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86313271549>
Dial-in option: 1 669 900 9128 meeting ID# 86313271549

Thursdays, 6:30pm Intercessory Prayer Group on Zoom
led by Deacon Bertram: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89699188717?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89699188717?pwd=dzNuY1VkOWpnbzFvQkpwRnJ0VG1JUT09)
[pwd=dzNuY1VkOWpnbzFvQkpwRnJ0VG1JUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89699188717?pwd=dzNuY1VkOWpnbzFvQkpwRnJ0VG1JUT09)
Meeting ID: 896 9918 8717 Passcode: 225424
One tap mobile: +16699009128,,89699188717#,,*225424# US (San Jose)

Sundays: 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I in the church
with masks and social distancing protocols
and
10:30am Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) or Morning Prayer (online),
led by Pastor Salying, in person in the church or on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82690025101>
Dial-in option: 1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 826 9002 5101

*Please see website for week-to-week information:
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**
Joe Gutierrez, **Junior Warden**

2023
Pat Dare
Breno DeMedeiros
Abby O’Connell

2024
Nancy Allgeier
Gage McKinney
Rita Welsh

2025
Joe Gutierrez
Dena Ware
Emilee Wilhelm-Leen

Gage McKinney, **Clerk**

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Stephanie Daugherty

Hugo Lopez-Laguna

Mabel Cheng

Sherene Nagarajah

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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!

Rector: The Rev. Salying Wong.....pastorsalying@stthomas-svale.org
or 510-478-3554

Deacon: The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah.....bertramemail@gmail.com

Treasurer: Jim Cobb.....Finance@stthomas-svale.org

Parish Administrator: Anne Buelteman.....office@stthomas-svale.org

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Library and Resource Center Coordinator: Carol Campbellresourcecenter@stthomas-svale.org

Music Director: Patricia Pietrzyk,..... patriciapietrzyk@gmail.com

Newsletter Editor: Anne Buelteman..... office@stthomas-svale.org

Our Daily Bread (ODB) Coordinator: David Barnes.....408-736-4108, odb@stthomas-svale.org

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)

The Rev. Salying Wong, Rector..... 510-478-3554

Parish Office408-736-4155

If there is no answer, please leave a message.

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