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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. <u>by telephone</u> (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.

Note: 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.

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

Following worship today please join us for a community gathering on Zoom.

#### **Announcements**

https://docs.google.com/document/ d/1M\_iFUN25FBuxOVTr0UKw6mokVcdE9iNII9RFrPIKNAg/edit?usp=sharing

# The Blessing of Birthdays & Anniversaries



#### Opening music

Robert Lehmann

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

**SJMP** #20852

O splendor of God's glory bright, O Thou that bringest light from light; O Light of light, light's living spring, O day, all days illumining.

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** 

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 us, forgive us all our sins

through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us 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.

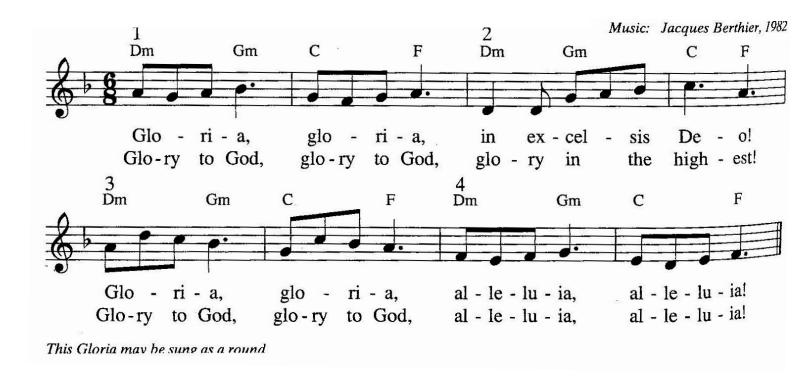
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \* and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

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 Gather #199

# **Gloria**

You are welcome to sing along with the Gloria. Please stay muted.



#### Psalm 99

The people join in speaking the responses; please stay muted.

The Lord is King;

let the people tremble; \*

he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; \*

he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \* he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \*
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; \* he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \* they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \* you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \*
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

#### The Lessons

#### The First Lesson Exodus 34:29-35

Lector: A reading from the Book of Exodus

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he

would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

**People: Thanks be to God** 

# Canticle 11 The Third Song of Isaiah Surge, illuminare

Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

Arise, shine, for your light has come, \* and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land; \* deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, \* and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light, \* and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open; \*
by day or night they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord, \*
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land, \* ruin or destruction within your borders.

You will call your walls, Salvation, \* and all your portals, Praise.

The sun will no more be your light by day; \*
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

# The Epistle: 2 Peter 1:13-21

Lector: A reading from the second letter of Peter.

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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The Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let

us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord

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

#### Sermon

There will be a period of silence for meditation.

Anthem Cesar Franck

# Panis Angelicus

Fulvia Govetto, soprano Michele Elizabeth Kemmerling, alto Michele Elizabeth Kemmerling, piano

# 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 Apostles' Creed

Officiant 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 Suffrages

EOW1

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

- V. Look upon your congregation;
- R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
- V. Declare your glory among the nations;
- R. And your wonders among all peoples.
- V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
- R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
- V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
- R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
- V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
- R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

#### The Collects

# **Collect for Transfiguration**

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **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

Officiant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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 Blessing

Officiant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our

hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and remain with us always.

**People:** Amen.

**Postlude** O. D. Hall, Jr.

Fairest Lord Jesus/More Precious Than Silver

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

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. **People:** 



# Serving today

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. Bertram Nagarajah Intercessor/Responder: Ann Kopischke Readers: John Pietrzyk, Lou Poulain Zoom host: Abby O'Connell

An updated **Announcement page** is available on line at 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.

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

Abby O'Connell, **Senior Warden** Joe Gutierrez, **Junior Warden** 

Gage McKinney, Clerk

2023 Pat Dare

Breno DeMedeiros

2024 Nancy Allgeier Gage McKinney Rita Welsh

2025 Joe Gutierrez Dena Ware

Emilee Wilhelm-Leen

Abby O'Connell Rita W
DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Stephanie Daugherty Hugo Lope

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!

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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)

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

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