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**11TH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**



**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF  
SAINTS NICHOLAS & THOMAS  
CELEBRATING TOGETHER**

# God loves you. No exceptions.



The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

Greetings! We're delighted you are here, and want for you to be comfortable so you can worship God and enjoy your visit today. We suspect you may have some questions. Everybody you see here was a newcomer at one time, and we've all had questions- probably some of the same you have today.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Thomas's is alive and well. We are worshiping via live streaming on YouTube. The full-text bulletins for our services can be found on our website, and by email request. We also continue to respond to the needs of the Newark Community through our collaboration with the Newark Empowerment Center and others. Those who would like to support our work may do so by going to our "Giving to St Thomas's" page.

Our prayers are with all those who are ill, all who are caring for them, and all who are striving to hear the voice of God in these challenging times.

**Our weekly services, LIVE on YouTube:**

**Sunday 9am- Rite II (sung Eucharist)**

**Wednesday 12pm- Intercessory Prayer with Holy Eucharist**

**Thursday 7pm- evening Compline Prayer**

The Christian life is a source of endless fascination. Just when we think we have seen and heard everything it has to offer, something new turns up. Committing to a life of learning and growing in the faith is an excellent way to make sure there is always enough fuel in the spiritual tank.

**Ask, Seek, Knock** from Matthew 7:7-8

<sup>7</sup> "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

There are many opportunities for Christian growth within our parish. During this time of social distancing, many of our meetings are happening online. Our groups include:

- Children's Ministries, age 18mo-6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Youth CREW, 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades
- Youth Confirmation, grades 7 and 8
- ECM, college age students
- The Parlor Class, adult ed
- Novel Theology, all ages
- Lectionary Bible Study, all ages

In addition to these groups, we also welcome the occasional guest speaker or activity during coffee hour, as well as special 6-week lecture series. For more information about any of our educational offerings, please visit our website: [www.stthomasparish.org](http://www.stthomasparish.org).

In the Episcopal Church, everybody doesn't always do things the same way. But, **when you're worshiping God, you can't get it wrong!** If you need help, ask your question in the Live Chat, or contact Fr Howie directly. We are friendly, helpful people here at St Thomas. Please bear in mind, regardless of what anybody else is doing, do what makes you comfortable.

Thank you for joining us today, and we hope to see you again soon!

## Procession

### How Wondrous and Great

Hymnal 533



1. How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!  
2. To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;



How just, King of saints, and true \_\_\_ are thy ways!  
their wor - ship and vows shall come \_\_\_ to thy throne:



O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?  
Thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,



Thou on - ly, art ho - ly, thou on - ly, su - preme.  
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess \_\_\_ thee their God.

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets 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 holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Gloria

## Gloria

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God,  
heav - en - ly King, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. We praise you for your glo - ry.

*faster, like a chant*

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the 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; re - ceive our prayer.  
*left* *right* re - ceive our prayer; re - ceive our prayer.

*Tempo I*

For 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.

Marc F. Cheban

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Most mighty and merciful God, in this time of great sickness, we flee to you for comfort. Deliver us, we pray, from our peril; give strength and skill to all who minister to the sick; prosper our efforts to protect and heal; and grant that, being aware of the frailty and uncertainty of our life, we may apply our hearts to that heavenly wisdom that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### First Lesson

Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,

for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,  
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,  
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord God,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them  
besides those already gathered.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm



1. May God be merciful >> **to us** and bless us; \*  
show us the light of his countenance,  
>> **and come** to us.
- 2 Let your ways be >> **known u-pon** earth, \*  
your saving health >> **a-mong** all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples >> **praise you**, O God; \*  
let all >> **the peo-ples** praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad >> **and sing** for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity,  
and guide all the nations >> **u-pon** the earth.
- B** 5 Let the peoples >> **praise you**, O God; \*  
let all >> **the peo-ples** praise you.
- 6 The earth has >> **brought forth** her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, >> **give us** his blessing.
- 7 May God >> **give us** his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth  
stand >> **in awe** of him.

## Epistle Lesson

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all. are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

Priere à Notre Dame (*Suite Gothique*)  
Leon Boëllmann

*All stand*

## The Gospel

Matthew 15: 10-28

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

### 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

We pray for all who worship the God of truth and love. We pray especially for Christians who are persecuted for their faith, those who must worship in secret, and those who risk their own safety to minister to others. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the leaders of Christian communities around the world. We pray especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the others who lead the Anglican Communion, and those who lead our own Church: Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin, our Bishop. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who lead the nations of the world, and for all countries and people. We pray especially for those who have been victims of violence, and for those who work for peace and reconciliation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the needs of our own community, for our neighbors, and for those who live among us, but whom we fail to see. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who serve our country abroad, in the military, in embassies, and in non-governmental organizations, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts, that their missions may bring justice and healing. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who work for the health and safety of others, that they may act with wisdom and patience, and may be surrounded by all the holy angels of God. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our partners in mission, especially the Scottish Episcopal Church, and for the Episcopal Campus Ministry. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all the many blessings we continue to receive. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts, and we give thanks for all the saints and good souls who have gone before us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.

*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.

*At this point in the service the offerings of the faithful would normally be taken up. In this strange time, the church is aware that some of its members are struggling to make ends meet. If you are in this situation, please let the clergy know of your needs, pray for the church, and feel no guilt about your giving. But if you are able to give, options for giving include mailing a check to your church or online giving is available at [stthomasparish.org](http://stthomasparish.org).*

## Offertory Anthem

How Wondrous and Great

Hymnal 533



1. How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!  
2. To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;



How just, King of saints, and true \_\_\_ are thy ways!  
their wor - ship and vows shall come \_\_\_ to thy throne:



O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?  
Thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,



Thou on - ly, art ho - ly, thou on - ly, su - preme.  
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess \_\_\_ thee their God.

## Presentation of the Offerings

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. [*Proper Preface*] Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.  
 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - na in the  
 High - est!\_\_\_\_\_ Bless'd is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!\_\_\_\_\_ Ho -  
 sa - na - in the High - est! Ho - sa - na in the High - est!  
 right Ho - sa - na in the High - est!\_\_\_\_\_ Ho - sa - na in the High - est!

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*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
*Celebrant and People*

Acclamation B

(left)  
 We re-mem-ber His death; we pro-claim His re-sur-rec-tion, we a-wait His com-ing in  
 (right)  
 We re-mem-ber His death; we pro-claim His re-sur-rec-tion, we a-  
 L  
 Glo-ry! We a-wait His com-ing in Glo-ry!  
 R  
 wait His com-ing in Glo-ry! We a-wait His com-ing in Glo-ry!

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*The Celebrant continues* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, Blessed Nicholas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior  
 Christ has taught us,  
 we are bold to say,

**All** Our Father, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy Name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, Grant us peace.

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*Celebrant* Behold the Lamb of God,  
 Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world;  
 Happy are they who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

*O Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,  
 but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*

### The Communion

#### Postcommunion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Announcements

#### Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

## The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your 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 Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## At the Procession

### O Spirit of the Living God

Hymnal 531



1. O Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, in  
2. Give tongues of fire and hearts of love, to  
3. Be dark - ness, at thy com - ing, light; con -  
4. Con - vert the na - tions! far and nigh the



all thy plen - i - tude of grace, wher - e'er the foot of  
preach the re - con - cil - ing word; give power and unc - tion  
fu - sion, or - der in thy path; souls with - out strength in -  
tri - umphs of the cross re - cord; the Name of Je - sus



man hath trod, de - scend on our a - pos - tate race.  
from a - bove, when - e'er the joy - ful sound is heard.  
spire with might, bid mer - cy tri - umph o - ver wrath.  
glo - ri - fy, till ev - ery peo - ple call him Lord.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*The picture this morning is of the encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman.  
It is by the German artist Adolf Hölzel (1853-1934).*

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