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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 worshipping both in -person with appropriate precautions, and 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:

Sunday 9am- Rite II (sung Eucharist)

Wednesday 12:00pm- Intercessory Prayer with Holy Eucharist

Thursday 7pm- evening Compline Prayer live via Zoom

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.

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-6th grade
- Youth CREW, 7th-12th 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.

In the Episcopal Church, everybody doesn't always do things the same way. But, **when you're worshipping 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

Tell Out, My Soul

Hymnal 437

1. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!
2. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!
3. Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!
4. Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his world!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Pow'rs and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
his ho - ly Name: The Lord, the Might - y One.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ey - er - more!

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

Celebrant 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 in Excelsis

John Rutter

(intro)

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, ___ and peace to his
 peo-ple on earth. ___ Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther,
 ___ we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for ___ your glo-ry.

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. ___ 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. ___

The Collects

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

Confitebor tibi

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *

and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; *

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *

all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *

because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;

he commanded his covenant for ever; *

holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up.

Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual
the Lord

O Come, ye Servants of

Christopher Tye (1500-1572)

Jeremy Sites, Baritone

O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name;
from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim.

His laws are just, and glad the heart, He makes his mercies known;
ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

The Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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

With all our heart, and all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have seen the light of Christ, and for all who work to spread it in the world. May they have the joy that moves mountains and the peace that wins over all enemies. We pray especially for Christians whose faith must withstand the loss of home, family, and personal safety. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the leaders of Christian communities around the world. May their wisdom and gentleness inspire the faithful and convert the hard-hearted. We pray especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, all those who lead the Anglican Communion and those who lead our own Church: Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin, our Bishop. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who lead the nations of the world, and for all countries and people. May they do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly as servants of the Kingdom of God. We pray especially for our President, our Governor, and our Mayor, and for all who work for peace and reconciliation. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the needs of our own community, for our neighbors, and for those whose dignity depends on our compassion. In helping and being helped, may we make one another holy. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who have lost home and security through war, natural disaster, and economic hardship. May we have the courage and energy to see and respond to their needs, and may they find the safe rest that is a foretaste of our promised rest in Heaven. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who risk their own safety for the sake of others, all who work for the safety of our own community, and all who serve in the armed forces, especially those listed in this morning's service leaflet and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those listed in this morning's service leaflet, and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. May they find healing and strength. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for our partners in mission, especially Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil and for St Anne's Church, Middletown. May they join with us in spreading the Gospel and building the Kingdom. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for all who have died, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. We give thanks for all the saints and faithful people who have gone before us. May they have rest from their labors and a share in God's promises. Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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.

Offertory Hymn

From all That Dwell

Hymnal 380

1. From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2. E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
3. Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: Thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your

glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Hymnal S-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

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 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

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

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.**

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 Holy City, Seen of John

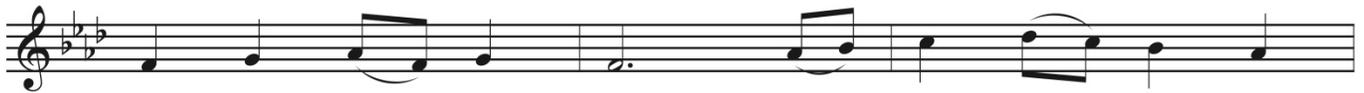
Hymnal 583



1. O ho - ly ci - ty, seen of John, where Christ, the Lamb, doth
2. O shame to us who rest con - tent while lust and greed for
3. Give us, O God, the strength to build the ci - ty that hath
4. Al - rea - dy in the mind of God that ci - ty ris - eth



reign, with - in whose four - square walls shall come no
gain in street and shop and ten - e - ment wring
stood too long a dream, whose laws are love, whose
fair; lo, how its splen - dor chal - leng - es the



night, nor need, nor pain, and where the tears are
gold from hu - man pain, and bit - ter lips in
crown is ser - vant - hood, and where the sun that
souls that great - ly dare; yea, bids us seize the



wiped from eyes that shall not weep a - gain!
blind de - spair cry, "Christ hath died in vain!"
shin - eth is God's grace for hu - man good.
whole of life and build its glo - ry there.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Parish Prayer List

Alan L	Deacon Cecily	Lynn Dunham	Reid
Alma	Delores	Margurite	Roman
Amanda	Doug H	Maria	Roxanna
Andre	Elmer	Marian & Family	Ruth
Archer Family	Erin L & babies	Marie	Samuel
Arline	Fred & Lori	Mary & Family	Sandy
Alana Davies	Freda Reynolds	Michael	Sandy Sorenson
Audrey	Giorgio & Family	Mike & Angie	Shirley
Ayla H	Greg	Mike Reynolds	Sondra & Jeff
Beverly and Larry	HarrisonFamily	Morgan & Family	Sophia & Family
Becky	Hope Bruckner	Nan	SouthFamily
Beryl	Ina	Nancy & Family	Susan & James
Bill & Sandy	Jane & Family	Nancy Tartala	Stacy L
Bob Taylor	Jean & Richard	Nate	Stanley
Bosco Family	Pawl	Nathalie & Maya	Steven
Brian Smith	Geoff Coons	Nelson	Stover
Cathy	Jenna Puleo	Nicholas & Family	Sue James
Carol	Jim	Nicole	Thadine
Carol Mullinix	Josh Moyer	Nikki & Family	Tom
Charles Baxter	Jule & Family	Noah	Thomas
Chaun	June	Noah P	Tim & Family
Chris & Ginger	Ken & Family	Norman H	Vicki
Christine & Erich	Kevin	Olivia	Vivian
Christine & Francis	Kizis family	Pat & Dan	Wanda
Christopher Corbin	Lane Family	Pat & Emmett	Wayne
Cindy	Larry	Peter & Mike	WeaverFamily
Colin	Laurie J	Phil & Jen	William McClements
Dale & Family	Linda Alexis	Phil & Terri	WilsonFamily
Darnell	Lisa	Phyllis	
Darrell	Liz & Family	Rashida	
Dawn & DW	Luke	Reginald	

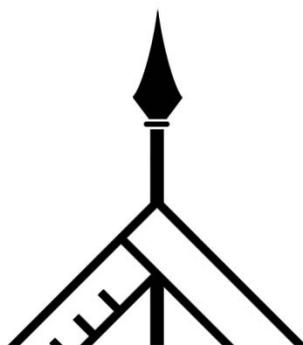
We pray for all who serve our country abroad, in the military, in embassies, and in non-governmental organizations, especially...

Adam	James	Marvin
Annie	Joe	Matthew
Ben	Josh	Nate
Bob	Kagen	Nicholas
Bradley	Kate	Stuart
Brett	Kathy	Tina
Brian	Kevin	Tyler
Christie	Luke	Victoria

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The picture this morning is a photograph
of a portion of the ruins of
the 1st Century synagogue at Capernaum.



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