

ST THOMAS'S
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17th Sunday
after Pentecost

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 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 on our website.

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 8am- Rite I, spoken**
- **Sunday 10:30am- Rite II, with music**
- **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, 8th grade
- 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: **StThomasNewarkDe.church**

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 online, speak with anyone in the pews around you 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!

Prelude

Procession

Sing, Ye Faithful

Hymnal 492



1. Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2. Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him-self to
3. So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4. Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - l'hems's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house re - sound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till th'ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic ho - nor, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

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 in excelsis

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace - to his people on
earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al - might - y 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 Spir - rit, in the
glor - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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.*

All sit for the reading of the lessons.

The Lessons

First Lesson

Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 54

Deus, in nomine



- 1 Save me O >> God **by** your Name: *
in your might, >> **de-fend** my cause.
- 2 Hear >> my **prayer**, O God; *
give ear to the >> words **of** my mouth.
- B** 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,
and the ruthless >> **have sought** my life, *
those who have no >> **re-gard** for God.
- 4 Behold, >> God **is** my helper; *
it is the Lord who >> **sus-tains** my life.
- 5 Render evil >> to **those** who spy on me; *
in your faith->> **ful-ness** des-troy them.
- 6 I will offer you >> a **free**-will sacrifice *
and praise your Name, O Lord, >> for **it** is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me >> from **ev**-ery trouble, *
and my eye has seen the ru->> **in of** my foes.

Epistle Lesson

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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

Gradual

Every Time I Feel De Spirit, traditional spiritual, arr HT Burleigh
Helen Spence, *soprano*

Refrain:

Ev'ry time I feel de Spirit movin' in ma heart, I will pray.
(repeat)

Verse 1

Upon de mountain, ma Lord spoke,
Out'a His mouth came fire an' smoke.
Jordan Ribber chilly an' col',
Chill de body but not de soul.

Verse 2

All aroun' me look so shine
Ask ma Lord if all was mine.
Ain't but one train runs dis track,
It runs to Heaven an' runs right back.

All stand

The Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

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 passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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

Leader: With faith and confidence, let us pray to the Lord.

We offer a prayer of thanks for people everywhere who labor for the spread of the Gospel. May we be joined with them heart to heart, and hand to hand. We ask for the grace to remember that every act of kindness, however simple, builds the Kingdom of God.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of gratitude for the bishops and others who lead Christian communities around the world, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin, our Bishop. May they be faithful pastors and wise guides.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of support for the leaders of the nations, especially our President, our Governor, and our Mayor. May they have zeal for justice and abundant mercy. We ask for the grace to recall that we also share in the stewardship of creation.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of hope for the needs of our nearest neighbors. May we have the eyes to see their needs and the hands to help meet them. We ask for the grace to follow in our Lord's footsteps, working to bring hope and new life to the world.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of fellowship with all human labor. We ask for the grace to be able to see in all work a reflection of the hand that created all things.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of safety for all who serve in the armed forces, all who go in harm's way to protect others, and all who carry the scars of their service. We remember especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. Carpenter of Nazareth, hear our prayer.

We offer a prayer of concern for all 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 have comfort and hope, and may we be instruments of God's peace in their lives.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of fellowship with all our partners in mission, especially the Church of the Province of Uganda, and for the Church of the Nativity, New Castle. May we stand shoulder to shoulder with them in sharing God's redeeming love.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of thanks for all the blessings we have received. May they strengthen us to live with joy and gratitude.

Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

We offer a prayer of peace for all who have died, especially those who have gone before us in this church and all those we remember now, aloud or in our hearts. May they rest from all their labors, and may we join with them in the Communion of the Saints. Carpenter of Nazareth, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father,
**guide our hands,
gladden our hearts,
and accept these prayers for Jesus' sake.
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

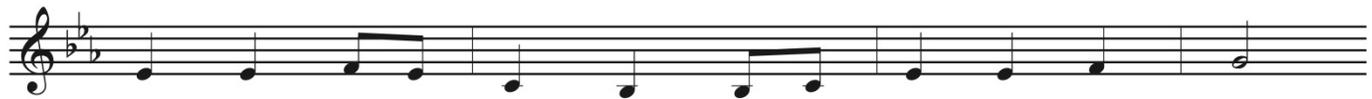
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

Lord of all Hopefulness

Hymnal 482



1. Lord of all ___ hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2. Lord of all ___ ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3. Lord of all ___ kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4. Lord of all ___ gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could des - troy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your ___ hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,



be there at ___ our ___ wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at ___ our ___ la - bors, and give us, we pray,
be there at ___ our ___ hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at ___ our ___ sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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 S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly - Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Robert Powell

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

Blessed are Those

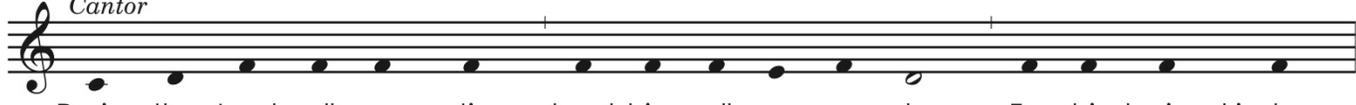
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First Cantor, then All

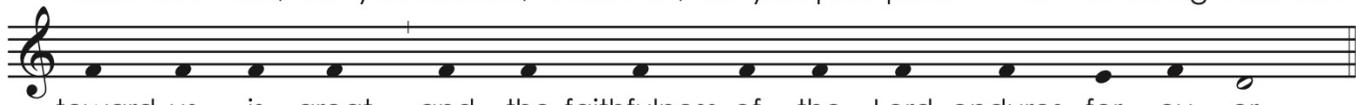


Bless-ed are__ those who are call - ed to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

Cantor



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo-ples. For his loving kindness



toward us is great, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev - er.

All



Bless-ed are__ those who are call - ed to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

Ambrosian chant

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 Master Let Me Walk With Thee

Hymnal 660

1. O Mas - ter let me walk with thee in low - ly
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3. Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,
4. in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

A Prayer for the Parish's Strategic Planning Group

Holy God, you raise up laborers for your harvest, sending them out as sowers of your good news, workers of healing, and caretakers of new life: Bless those engaged in the tending and renewing of your Church; equip them for service, enliven them with your joy, and help them remember and trust that it is you who will bring in the harvest; through Jesus Christ, the Savior of souls. Amen.

*Both pictures this morning show Jesus with children.
The 8:00 picture is of a painting entitled, "Christ Blessing the Children,"
by the German artist Lucas Cranach the Elder (1472-1553).
The 10:30 picture is of an ivory carving produced in the 10th Century
in France or Germany, now in the Louvre.*

Parish Prayer List

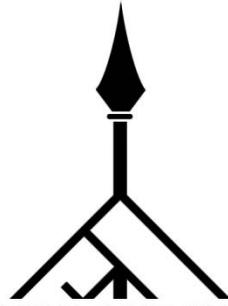
Alan L	Donna E and family	Linda Alexis	Reid
Alma	Doug H	Lisa	Rick R
Amber Richardson	Elmer	Luke	Rob
Andre	Fred & Lori	Lynn Dunham	Roberta Bennett
Archer Family	Freda Reynolds	Lynsey & Marcia	Roman
Arline	Geoff Coons	Marge Cann	Roxanna
Alana Davies	Giorgio & Family	Maria	Ruth
Ayla H	Greg	Marian & Family	Samuel
Beverly and Larry	Hale	Marie	Sandy
Becky	Hailu He	Mary & Family	Sandy Sorenson
Beryl	Harrison Family	Michael	Shirley
Bill & Sandy	Ina	Mike & Angie	Sondra & Jeff
Blackman Family	Jane & Family	Mike Reynolds	Sophia & Family
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Bryan Allman	Jesse, Memphis & family	Morgan & Family	Susan & family
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Charles Baxter	Johanna and Philip	Nelson	Steven
Chaun	Jon Tyler	Nicole	Stover
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Colin	Katharine	Pat & Emmett	Vivian
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Dana Schewe	Ken & Family	Perry Family	Wayne
Darnell	Ken Gavron	Peter & Mike	Weaver Family
Darrell	Kevin	Phil & Terri	William McClements
Dawn & Family	Kizis family	Phyllis	Wilson Family
Deacon Cecily	Lane Family	Rashida	
Delores	Larry	Ray Cook	
Dennis	Laurie J	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.

9/14/2021



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