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19th Sunday
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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 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

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hymnal 460

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter,
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, thou on earth our
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of

his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the
food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful flee to
lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! Born of Ma - ry, earth thy

vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on
thee from day - to day: In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,
foot - stool, heav'n thy throne: Thou with - in the veil hast en - tered,

thun - der like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of
earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me, where the songs of
robed in flesh, our great High Priest: Thou on earth both

ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
all the sin - less sweep a - cross the cry - stal sea.
Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

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 - it, 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; 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

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;

this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken."

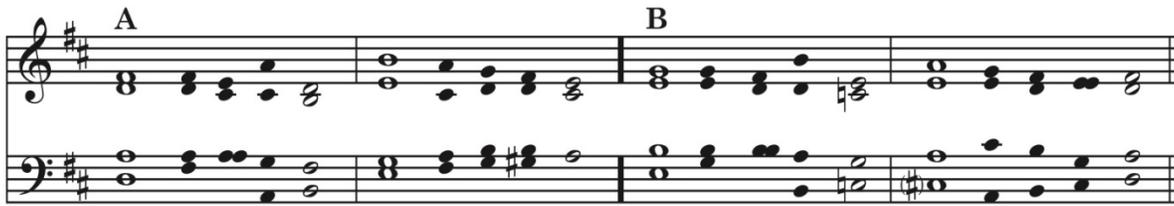
Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8

Domine, Dominus noster



- 1 O **Lord** our Governor, *
How exalted is your Name / in **all** the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of / *in-fants* and children, *
your majesty is praised / *a-bove* the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold / *a-gainst* your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy / *and the* a-venger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the / *work of* your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have / *set in* their courses.
- 5 What is man that you should be / *mind-ful* of him, *
the son of man that you / *should seek* him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lo-/ *wer than* the angels; *
you adorn him / *with glory* and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the / *works of* your hands; *
you put all things / *un-der* his feet:
- 8 All **sheep** and oxen, *
even the wild / *beasts of* the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the / *fish of* the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the / *paths of* the sea.
- 10 O **God** our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name / *in all* the world!

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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.

I ask your prayers for faithful people around the world. May their work for the Kingdom of God yield abundantly.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers 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 nourish us with the riches of the Gospel.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the leaders of the nations, especially Joseph, our President, John, our Governor, and Jerry, our Mayor. May they lead us with courage and humility.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers 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.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for our neighbors. May they experience in us the love of God and may we see in them the image of Christ.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all our partners in mission, especially The Church in Wales, and for Immanuel Church, Highlands. May we stand shoulder to shoulder with them in sharing God's redeeming love.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for a fruitful end of the agricultural season. May we have all that we need and may we be good stewards of all that we have been given.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. May they be strengthened and restored, and may we be ready always to heal even as we are healed.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who have died, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Lord of every blessing, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father,
guide us in this world,
sustain us in the world to come,
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.

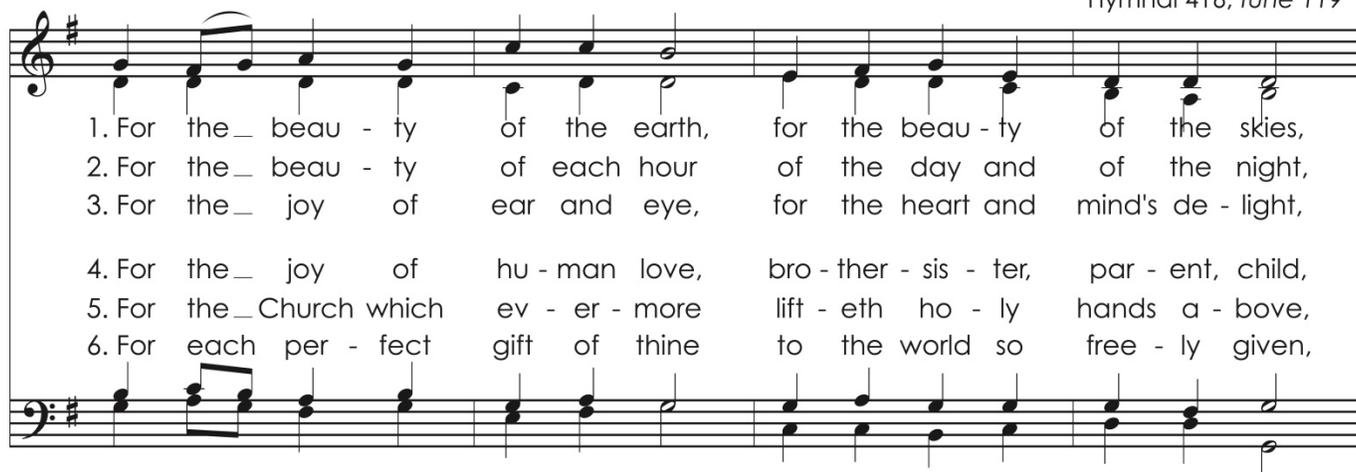
The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

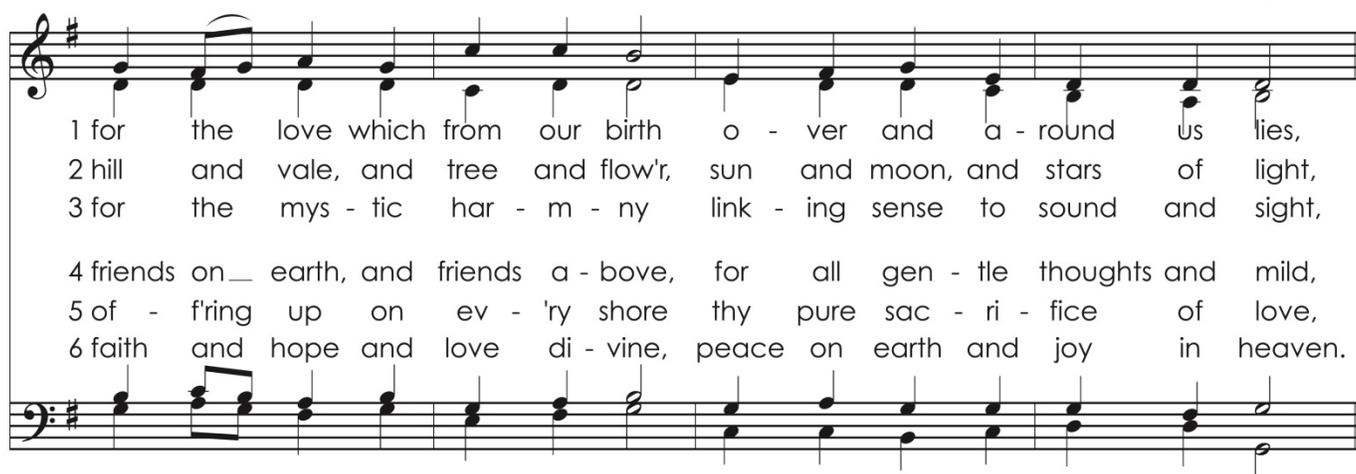
Offertory Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Hymnal 416, tune 119



1. For the_ beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2. For the_ beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the_ joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4. For the_ joy of hu - man love, bro - ther - sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5. For the_ Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,
6. For each per - fect gift of thine to the world so free - ly given,



1 for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
2 hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon, and stars of light,
3 for the mys - tic har - m - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
4 friends on_ earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
5 of - f'ring up on ev - 'ry shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love,
6 faith and hope and love di - vine, peace on earth and joy in heaven.



Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

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

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

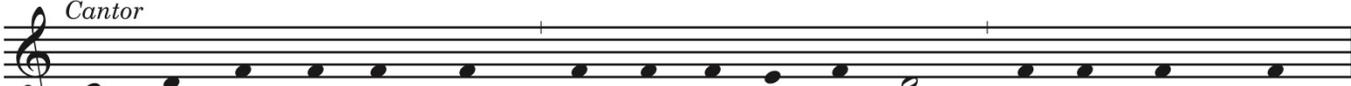
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First Cantor, then All



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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymnal 376

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
4. Mor - tals join the might - y cho - rus, side by side with voi - ces rais'd;

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!
e - ver with the hosts a - round us, of - fer we our songs of praise.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, bloom-ing mea-dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther, all who live in love are thine;
Let the whole cre - a - tion ga - ther, rank on rank with joy we sing;

give _____ er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach _____ us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di-vine.
serv - ing Christ in one a - no - ther, sweet re - frains e'er ech - o - ing.

v.4 Marc F. Cheban

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

The altar flowers today
are given by
Deacon Cecily
with thanksgiving for her son
Kiadii Hale Sawyer Harmon
on his birthday.

Both pictures this morning show the stages of the Genesis Creation story, interpreted from a Christian perspective, with Christ as the creating Word of God.

The 8:00 picture shows an illumination from the Bible de Souvigny, produced in France in the 12th Century.

The 10:30 picture is of a page from a Psalter (a book of the Psalms) begun in Canterbury around 1200 and completed in Barcelona in 1340

Parish Prayer List

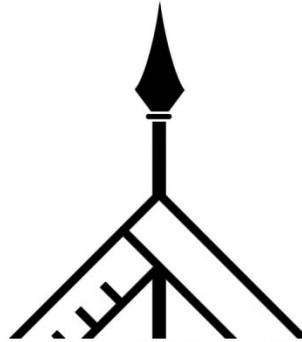
Alan L	Dennis	Linda Alexis	Reid
Alma	Donna E and family	Lisa	Rick R
Amber Richardson	Doug H	Luke	Rob
Andre	Elmer	Lynn Dunham	Roberta Bennett
Archer Family	Fred & Lori	Lynsey & Marcia	Roman
Arline	Freda Reynolds	Marge Cann	Roxanna
Alana Davies	Geoff Coons	Maria	Rue M
Ayla H	Gina M	Marian & Family	Ruth
Beverly and Larry	Giorgio & Family	Marie	Samuel
Becky	Greg	Mary & Family	Sandy
Beryl	Hale	Michael	Sandy Sorenson
Bill & Sandy	Hailu He	Mike & Angie	Shirley
Blackman Family	Harrison Family	Mike Reynolds	Sondra & Jeff
Bob T	Ina	Miles	Sophia & Family
Bryan Allman	Jane & Family	Morgan & Family	South Family
Cassandra T	Jean & Richard Pawl	Nan	Susan & family
Cathy	Jesse, Memphis & family	Nate	Stacy L
Carol Mullinix	Jim	Nathalie & Maya	Stanley
Carolyn Bowman	Jim G	Nelson	Stephanie W
Charles Baxter	Jim T	Nicole	Steven
Charile, Ellen & family	Johanna and Philip	Nikki & Family	Stover
Chaun	Jon Tyler	Noah	Sue James
Chris & Ginger	Josh Moyer	Norman H	Terrie W
Christine & Erich	Joyce Kee	Olivia	Thadine
Christine & Francis	Jude	Pam Devoe	Tom
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Chuck	June	Pat & Emmett	Vicki
Cindy	Justin Hartshorn	Patricia J	Vivian
Colin	Katharine	Paula	Wanda
Dale & Family	Kelly & family	Perry Family	Wayne
Dana Schewe	Ken & Family	Peter & Mike	Weaver Family
Darnell	Ken Gavron	Phil & Terri	William McClements
Darrell	Kevin	Phyllis	Wilson Family
Dawn & Family	Kizis family	Rashida	
Deacon Cecily	Lane Family	Ray Cook	
Delores	Larry	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.

9/27/2021



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