



# ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 14, YEAR B

## Service of Holy Eucharist

August 12, 2018 10 A.M.

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### If you are new or visiting ...

**Welcome!** After the service, please come to Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor) for food and fellowship. Though other churches make the claim, ours really is the Best Coffee Hour in Connecticut. Please consider filling out a blue visitor information card (found in your pew rack). You can request a name tag using the form in the pew rack or the sheet at the entrance. Next Sunday your new name tag will be waiting for you on the table in the foyer inside the main church entrance.

**To follow along with the service** you need this service bulletin as well as two books in the pew rack: *The Book of Common Prayer* (RED) and *The Hymnal 1982* (BLUE).

**Families with small children:** Three seating areas at the front of the church are reserved for families with small children: the area under the array of paper cranes (for children age 3 and under), and the areas in front of the two front pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

**Education for All Ages** takes place from 9 to 9:45 A.M. on most Sundays during the academic year. We are currently on hiatus for the summer.

**Wireless access in the Sanctuary** is accessible by connecting to wireless network STEC – Guest. Your device will open a web browser and St. Thomas's website. Sunday bulletins are posted on the website's Bulletin Archive. We aim to reduce printing by encouraging worshippers to use their smart devices to follow the order of service.

**Restrooms for men and women** are located on the second floor. Go through the red double doors at the front of the church, up the stairs to the left, and to the far end of the hallway. An **all-gender restroom (with baby changing table)** in the Vesting Room, located opposite the red double doors at the front of the church.

**For the celebration of Holy Eucharist,** the People gather around the altar. While this may be unfamiliar to you, most find it to be a powerful experience of true communion at our common table.

**All are invited to receive Holy Communion.** Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. Instructions for Holy Communion will be given during the announcements. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each station. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the single server at the center. Any difference will be explained during the announcements.

**To receive Holy Communion** hold out your hands, and the server will place bread in them. If you wish to receive wine, please sip it from the common cup, using both hands to guide the chalice to your lips.

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### ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH & DAY SCHOOL

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*The People gather in prayerful silence.*

## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**Hymn 1, *The Hymnal 1982***

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

**People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## **THE FIRST LESSON**

2 SAMUEL 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man."

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

**PSALM 130** (*said by all*)

**Page 784**, *The Book of Common Prayer*

**THE SECOND LESSON**

EPHESIANS 4:25-5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

**Hymn 341**, *The Hymnal 1982*

**THE GOSPEL**

JOHN 6:35, 41-51

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord  
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*All are seated.*

## THE SERMON

*After the Sermon, there follows a short period of silent reflection. Then all stand.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Presider and People*

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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.

*At the beginning of the Offertory Hymn, the People remain seated while the Ushers take the collection. When the Ushers carry the gifts forward, the People rise, follow, and encircle the altar for the Eucharistic prayer. You are encouraged to position children where they can see. Small children may sit with a caregiver on the floor in front of the altar. Standing time is approximately 15 minutes. If you are unable to stand, you may sit in one of the chairs arranged near the altar, move to the front row of pews, or remain where you are.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

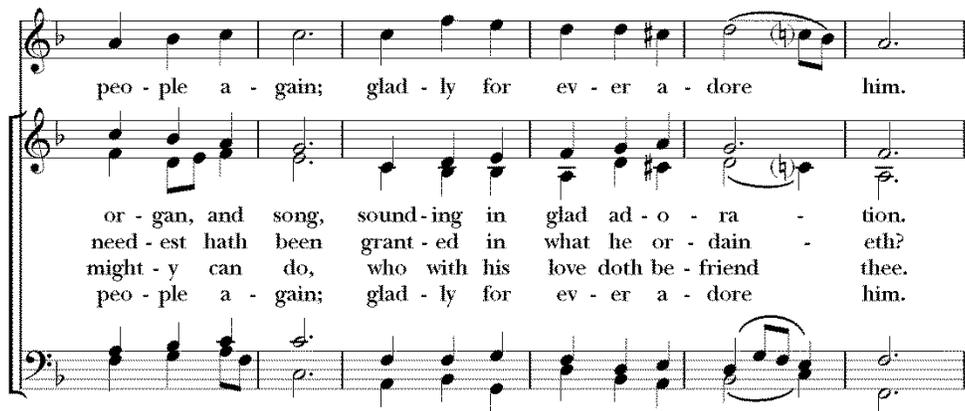
Hymn 390, *The Hymnal 1982*

*Descant*

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -  
 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with  
 a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his  
 health and sal - va - tion: join the great thron, psal - ter - y,  
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.  
 or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680), tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.; Music: *Lobe de Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

<b>EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A</b>	<b>Page 361</b> , <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>
<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	<b>Hymn 645</b> , <i>The Hymnal 1982</i>
<b>THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER</b>	<b>Page 365</b> , <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>
<b>THE BLESSING</b>	<b>Page 366</b> , <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>
<b>FINAL HYMN</b>	<b>Hymn 460</b> , <i>The Hymnal 1982</i>
<b>DISMISSAL</b>	<b>Page 366</b> , <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>
<b>ORGAN VOLUNTARY</b>	Prelude and fugue in e minor Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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## Memorial and Honorific Gifts

### Announcements

*Stay in touch! Subscribe to the Weekly Parish Enews and “like” St. Thomas’s on Facebook.*

**Abbreviated service bulletin for worship through Labor Day.** You will need the service bulletin as well as two books in the pew rack: *The Book of Common Prayer* (RED) and *The Hymnal 1982* (BLUE).

**Meeting of Youth Leaders with Parents of Middle- and High-School Youth: Sunday, August 19, after worship, in the Lounge.** Please come if you can!

**Education and Service Coordinator - Now seeking applications!** We are seeking applicants for this new part-time position. We funded such a position for the spring semester in our 2018 budget, but ended up putting off the hire until now. A brief job description is linked from our website Home page.

**Malawi Support: Seminarian Derek Stefanovsky is in Malawi for the month of August and sent the following...** Yesterday the children of St. Thomas's sponsored the orphan feeding program at St. Mark's Church, Mzuzu. These children are from the greater Mzuzu area and are either homeless or are living with financially strained family members after the death of their parents. The children of St. Thomas's raised this money over the past year, led by Sunday School Coordinator Denise Terry. I have been able to organize the date of sponsorship to be while I am on site and can collect information that will help educate St. Thomas's children and the broader congregation about the ministries and needs in the Diocese of Northern Malawi. **(Note: St. Thomas's total Malawi collection this year was an amazing \$1776. In such a poor country, these funds make a huge difference. Thank you for your generosity!)**

**New Haven Young Adult Network Brunch: Sunday, August 19, 12:15 p.m. at Roia, 261 College Street, New Haven.** This new assembly of Episcopalian young adults is looking forward to its next gathering. Know that several St. T's young adults have attended past gatherings. So that the reservation can be placed, please RSVP ASAP to Rachel Field (rfield@episcopalct.org).

**Music Director Search.** The search was on pause for travel and vacation but has resumed this week. We expect the new Music Director to be in place in time for Startup Sunday, September 9.

**Startup Sunday.** Startup Sunday is September 9! Look for the return of programming including Sunday School, Youth Groups, Choristers, and Choir.

**Allen Fitzhugh Girvin** died on August 1 at age 97. A memorial service and celebration of Allen's life will take place here at St. Thomas's on Saturday, September 15, at 10 a.m.

**Marilyn Simons Turnburke** died on Monday, August 6. A memorial service and celebration of Marilyn's life will take place here at St. Thomas's on Saturday, August 18, at 11 a.m.

**Summer Coffee Hour: Keep it simple!** Thanks to all who have hosted Coffee Hour this summer - due to your efforts, our wonderful Sunday fellowship has continued unabated! Help is needed through August 26 - slots are still open. Please use the sign-up sheet located in the lounge.

**Parish Directory Updates.** Looking toward the Fall edition of the Parish Directory, please let us Julie know of any address and contact information updates. Thank you!

**Missing Linens.** We're missing several of the white round tablecloths, several of the dark blue round tablecloths, all of the rectangular white and all of the light blue round tablecloths, as well as several dishtowels from the kitchen.

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT, JUNE 30

	June 2018		Year-to-Date	
	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual
Income				
Pledge/Plate & Building Use	\$12,186.43	\$9,433.00	\$73,118.50	\$60,254.97
School Reimbursement	\$3,175.15	\$5,856.04	\$19,050.93	\$21,046.49
Regular Endowment Income*	\$9,783.83	\$10,220.62	\$58,703.00	\$59,959.10
Additional Endowment Income**	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$25,145.41</b>	<b>\$50,509.66</b>	<b>\$150,872.43</b>	<b>\$166,260.56</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$30,618.99</b>	<b>\$20,696.89</b>	<b>\$183,713.99</b>	<b>\$167,688.39</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-\$5,473.58</b>	<b>\$29,812.77</b>	<b>-\$32,841.56</b>	<b>-\$1,427.83</b>

**For more information and announcements, see our website and last week's Weekly Parish Enews.**

## Serving Today

**Presider:** The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp  
**Preacher:** Meg Stapleton Smith  
**Assisting Priest:** The Rev. Keri Aubert  
**Organist:** Gabriel Rhys Simerson  
**Emcee:** Dr. Dorothy Asch  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Ricardo Chavira  
**Crucifer:** Sara Misgen  
**Lectors:** Jenny Chavira, Katherine Vaillancourt  
**Intercessor:** Don Edwards  
**Sacristans:** Gregory & Val Echols, Jami Carlacio  
**Ushers:** Drew McDermott, Gail Curran, Katie Coleman  
**Vestry Host:** Dawn Lorentson  
**Counters:** Dawn Lorentson, Dan Harrison  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:**

## This Week's Prayer Intentions

### Pray for those in any need or trouble, including:

Dorothy, Drew, Greg, Katie, Lee, Luann, Parke

### Pray for those who have died, especially:

Maria Aguirre, Allen Girvin, Marilyn Turnburke

### In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

Linda Pivarnik, Maureen Pivarnik, Kaylee, Henry Platt, Parrish Rarick, Kaia Rarick, Jameson, Eli

### In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

St. Peter's, South Windsor; Epiphany, Southbury; St. Paul's, Southington; Liturgical assistants serving in parishes: lectors, lay readers, Eucharistic ministers, Eucharistic visitors, lay evangelists, and vergers

### In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

Church of the Province of South East Asia; The Most Rev. Ng Moon Hing Archbishop of South East Asia & Bishop of West Malaysia

### In the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayer Cycle, pray for:

Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger

## Leadership at St. Thomas's

### Church Officers and Vestry

Joann Sweasy (Senior Warden)  
Don Edwards (Junior Warden)  
Diana Empsall (Treasurer)  
Martha Deeds Hogan (Clerk)  
Anne Harrison (Assistant Treasurer)  
Constance Cahill  
Daniel Harrison  
Dawn Lorentson  
Chris Martinez  
Jennifer Regan  
Alexandria Robison  
Kate Schilling  
The Rev. Keri Aubert (Priest-in-Charge)

### Church (Volunteer) Associate Priests

The Rev. Dexter Cheney  
The Rev. Jakki Flanagan  
The Rev. Julie Kelsey  
The Rev. Bill Loutrel  
The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp  
The Rev. Lee McGee Street  
The Rev. Dr. Parke Street

### Church Ministry Coordinator

Dr. Dorothy Asch—Volunteer Lay Assistant

### Day School Board of Trustees

Gina Panza—Head of School  
The Rev. Keri Aubert—President, Day School Corp.  
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