



ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 19, YEAR C

Service of Holy Eucharist

September 15, 2019 10 A.M.

If you are new or visiting ...

Welcome! After the service, please come to Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the 2nd floor) for food and fellowship. Please consider filling out a blue visitor information card (located in the pew rack). You can use the form to request a nametag, and next Sunday it will be waiting for you on the table just inside the main church entrance.

To follow along with the service you will need this service bulletin as well as *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.

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)** is in the Vesting Room, located opposite the red double doors at the front of the church.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each communion station; **non-alcoholic wine** is available from the chalice bearer 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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Chaconne in F minor
Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706), P. 43

INTROIT

Adoramus te Christe

Adoramus te Christe et benedicimus tibi
quia per sanguinem tuum pretiosum
redemisti mundum
miserere nobis.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
For by your precious blood
you have redeemed the world.
Have mercy upon us.

Words: Traditional Responsory Music: Claudio Monteverdi (1567–1643), SV 289, 1620

At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O worship the King (388, *The Hymnal 1982*)

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

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

Presider and People

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.

SONG OF PRAISE

S-280, *The Hymnal 1982*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 4:11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." *
 All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, *
 to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; *
 there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers *
 who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, * because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, * but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! *
 when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
 Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMNThe great Creator of the worlds (489, *The Hymnal 1982*)**THE GOSPEL**

LUKE 15:1-10

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he

comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

THE SERMON

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider

We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. With multiplicity of gifts and unity of purpose, let us pray for the church and for the world, responding to, "Christ, hear us," with "Christ, graciously hear us."

Intercessor and People

For all ministers of your church, that they may faithfully follow where you lead. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For all leaders in government and business, that they may serve justice and peace. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For all people of every land, that compassion for one another will draw us together as one human family. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For your children of every race and ethnicity, that they may grow to the full flowering of their gifts. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For your creation, that its beauty and bounty may endure from age to age. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For the members of this congregation, that we discern your call to us as individuals and as a community. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For those whose lives are marred by violence, that they may know safety and security. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For the poor, for prisoners, and for refugees, that they may not be forgotten. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For the sick and the dying, and for their caregivers, that they may be comforted. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For those who have died, that they may find eternal rest in you. Christ, hear us. **Christ, graciously hear us.**

For the concerns that we now offer before you, either silently or aloud. [*Silence is kept.*]

Presider

Holy God, we give you thanks for gathering us in faith, and for equipping us for ministry in the name of your Christ. Graciously hear the prayers that we offer through him, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Presider

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. [*Silence is kept.*]

Presider and People

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.

Presider

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

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*The People greet one another with a sign of peace, and then are seated for brief announcements. After the announcements, the People remain seated for the **Offertory Anthem**, during which the collection is taken.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Steal away

Steal away to Jesus; O steal away home,
I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, He calls me by the thunder,
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul,
I ain't got long to stay here.

Green trees a-bending,
poor sinner stands a-trembling,
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul,
I ain't got long to stay here.

Words: Traditional Music: Michael Tippett (1905–1998), *Five Spirituals*, 1958

*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Ushers carry the gifts forward. The People follow and encircle the altar. 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

God the Omnipotent (569, *The Hymnal* 1982)

1 God the Om - ni - po - tent! King, who or - dain - est
2 God the All - mer - ci - ful! earth hath for - sak - en
3 God the All - right - eous One! earth hath de - fied thee;
4 God the All - prov - i - dent! earth by thy chas - tening

thun - der thy clar - ion, the light - ning thy sword;
thy ways all ho - ly, and slight - ed thy word;
yet to e - ter - ni - ty stand - eth thy word,
yet shall to free - dom and truth be re - stored;

show forth thy pi - ty on high where thou reign - est:
 bid not thy wrath in its ter - rors a - wak - en:
 false - hood and wrong shall not tar - ry be - side thee:
 through the thick dark - ness thy king - dom is haste - ning:

give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
 thou wilt give peace in thy time, O Lord.

Words: Sts. 1-2, Henry Fothergill Chorley (1808-1872), alt.; sts. 3-4, John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt. Music: *Russia*, Alexis Lvov (1799-1870)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant *People*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a proper preface is sung or said.

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 AND BENEDICTUS

S-129, *The Hymnal 1982*

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. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Presider

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,

Presider and People

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

Presider

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 [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting

heritage of all your children; 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 forever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

You are invited to say the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice.

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, forever and ever. Amen.
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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

S-163, *The Hymnal 1982*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. Please proceed to the most conveniently located station to receive communion, and then return to your seat via a side aisle. Gluten-free bread is available at each station; non-alcoholic wine is available from the chalice bearer at the center. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Panis angelicus

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum
dat panis coelicus figuris terminum
o res mirabilis manducat Dominum
pauper servus et humilis.

The bread of angels becomes the bread of people,
the heavenly bread gives an end to earthly forms.
O wondrous sacrament: feeding on their Lord
are the poor, the slave, and the humble person.

Words: Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274) Music: César Franck (1822–1890), *Mass*, Op. 12, 1872

After all have received communion, the People remain seated for a period of silence. Then all stand.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Presider

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be
Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven (**410**, *The Hymnal 1982*)

DISMISSAL

Presider: *[The Presider dismisses the People.]*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Toccata in E minor
Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706), P. 462

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Announcements

Stay in touch! Subscribe to the Weekly Parish Enews and "like" St. Thomas's on Facebook.

Season of Racial Reconciliation and Justice - Book Club and Discussion Group. As part of St. Thomas's participation in the Season of Racial Justice and Reconciliation, we are putting together a book club and discussion group. We will meet once a month to gain insight on how we can confront problems of racism in our society, community, and ourselves. We invite parishioners and friends to join us. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30 in the lounge. Our main text will be Ijeoma Oluo's book, *So You Want to Talk About Race*. We have tried to select an accessible but challenging read for our first book, which focuses on how to have the kinds of conversations we hope to have in the future. We will also be considering Kevin Young's poem, "Hank Aaron," found in his new collection of poetry, *Brown*. Check out the video links in this week's Enews.

Hurricane Dorian Disaster Relief. If you're considering donating money, consider doing so through Episcopal Relief & Development or Mercy Corps. Both organizations work hard to maximize the value of your dollar.

Climate March: New Haven Green, Friday, September 20, 4 p.m.

This is New Haven's contribution to that day's Global Climate Strike. There is also a noon rally in Hartford. Please consider joining the movement to save the Earth and our children's future. DIY Bible Study is Back! Join us Sundays at 9 a.m. for informal conversation about the Bible readings of the day. Meet in the Day School lobby.

Education programming for children and youth began today. We offer programs for young people, from pre-K through high school at 9 a.m. in the second floor classrooms. Everyone is welcome. Please come and sign up any Sunday! Questions? Contact Denise Terry (240-481-8537 or terry.df@gmail.com). There are three groups:

- KIDZONE – Grades Pre-K and K. Children will participate in play-based learning with a focus on the Golden Rule. Head teacher: Catherine Stricklan.
- GRAFFITI – Grades one through six. This group will study the life of Jesus Christ. Head Teacher: Denise Terry
- WE NEED A NAME – grades six through twelve. The curriculum for the Jr Hi/Hi will continue to follow the work that was established by Sara Misgen. Head teacher: Kyle Holton.

In addition:

- Education will also include a Children's Service once every month, at which the parish youth will participate fully as lectors, ushers, and preachers.
- Once each month we will offer an opportunity for all ages to work together in the arts and in outreach.
- Thank you to Jennifer Regan, Amy Sheehan, Elsa Ward and Alisa D'Andrea, who will assist in the classrooms and beyond.
- On Sunday September 22 the Sunday School Children will be assembling "blessing bags" for Christian Community Action. We ask the parish to contribute: new long athletic socks, individually wrapped standard size bars of soap, individual tubes of toothpaste, and travel size shampoos and lotions. We will place a collection box in the lounge during coffee hour this week.

Derek Stefanovsky's Ordination to the Priesthood: Saturday, September 21, 10 a.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Darien, CT. All are invited!

Safe Church Training, HERE at St. Thomas's: Monday, October 7, 6:30 p.m. We are hosting Safe Church training to make it easy for St. Thomas's folks to attend. If you've had it before but it's been more than three years, it's time for a repeat. Use the links in the Enews for more info or to sign up. ***Remember, Safe Church training is REQUIRED for all who work with children and youth, all pastoral visitors, and all Vestry members, and it is recommended for everyone in parish leadership. It won't get any easier than this! Please sign up!!!!***

Loaves & Fishes: Through the summer, please bring **CANNED VEGETABLES** and **BODY SOAP**.

Our Little Free Library always needs books. Just pop them in yourself.

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

Serving Today

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Keri Aubert
Choir Director & Organist: Dr. Noah Horn
Eucharistic Minister: Ricardo Chavira
Crucifers: Kyle Holton, Eden Holton
Lectors: Jocelyn Tidwell, Greg D'Andrea
Intercessor: Claire Scully
Vestry Host: Catherine Stricklan
Sacristans: Valeria & Greg Echols
Ushers: Mel & Judy Thompson
Counters: Ricardo Chavira
Coffee Hour Hosts:

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially:
Bonnie, Dorothy, Drew, Dwight, Franklin, John

Pray for those who have died.

In the Episcopal Church in Connecticut Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

St. John's, Stamford; Calvary, Stonington; St. Mark's, Storrs; The Province of New England: the Dioceses of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Western Massachusetts; their bishops, clergy, parish and diocesan staff, and congregations; Provincial Synod; all Provincial Networks

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
the Anglican Church of Tanzania

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

Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay

Leadership at St. Thomas's

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Denise Terry (Junior Warden)
Ricardo Chavira (Treasurer)
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