

ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (PROPER 26) Holy Eucharist

October 30, 2016

10:00 A.M.

Information for newcomers and visitors is located on the back page of this service bulletin.

VOLUNTARY Contrapunctus II (The Art of Fugue, BWV 1080) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The great Creator of the worlds
Hymn 489 (*Tallis' Ordinal*)

1 The great Cre - a - tor of the worlds, the sov - ereign God of heaven,
2 He sent no an - gel of his host to bear this might - y word,
3 He sent him not in wrath and power, but grace and peace to bring;
4 He sent him down as send - ing God; in flesh to us he came;
5 He came as Sa - vior to his own, the way of love he trod;

1 his ho - ly and im - mor - tal truth to all on earth hath given.
2 but him through whom the worlds were made, the ev - er - last - ing Lord.
3 in kind - ness, as a king might send his son, him - self a king.
4 as one with us he dwelt with us, and bore a hu - man name.
5 he came to win us by good will, for force is not of God.

6 Not to oppress, but summon all
their truest life to find,
in love God sent his Son to save,
not to condemn mankind.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. 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.

SONG OF PRAISE

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; 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

HABAKKUK 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrong-doing
and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

- 137 You are righteous, O Lord, *
and upright are your judgments.
- 138 You have issued your decrees *
with justice and in perfect faithfulness.
- 139 My indignation has consumed me, *
because my enemies forget your words.
- 140 Your word has been tested to the uttermost, *
and your servant holds it dear.
- 141 I am small and of little account, *
yet I do not forget your commandments.
- 142 Your justice is an everlasting justice *
and your law is the truth.
- 143 Trouble and distress have come upon me, *
yet your commandments are my delight.
- 144 The righteousness of your decrees is everlasting; *
grant me understanding, that I may live.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 THESSALONIANS 1:1-4; 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
VF 98 (*Canonbury*)

1 Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in
2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the
3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the

liv - ing ech - oes of thy tone; as thou has sought, so
wand - ering and the wav - ering feet; O feed me, Lord, that
pre - cious things thou dost im - part; and wing my words, that

let me seek thy err - ing child - ren lost and lone.
I may feed thy hun - gry ones with man - na sweet.
they may reach the hid - den depths of many a heart.

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 19:1-10

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

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

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

When Sunday School is offered, the students follow the children's processional cross up the aisle, and then their teachers bring them to their classrooms. At the preacher's invitation, all are seated.

THE SERMON

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

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant 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:
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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Priest

The season of harvest is a powerful demonstration of God's abundant generosity. In gratitude for the multitude of gifts with which we have been blessed, let us seek God's blessings for the church and for the world, responding to "Gracious God," with "hear our prayer."

Intercessor

Bless Christ's holy church. Help those who minister in Jesus's name follow the path of true discipleship. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the leaders of nations around the world. Help them to be steadfast in the pursuit of peace. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all candidates and voters during this election season. Help them to unite in service to the greater good. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all who advocate for systemic change, especially those addressing issues of racial justice. Help heal our nation's wounds as it learns to uphold all people. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the fruits of the harvest. Help humans steward your creation for the generations to come. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the ministry of education shared by St. Thomas's Church and St. Thomas's Day School. Help our sixtieth year be both a celebration and a beginning. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless us with gifts for ministry, and discernment to recognize them. Help us to offer those gifts as blessings to others. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the hungry, the homeless, and the sick. Help them to be strong, and help us to be compassionate. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the communion of saints, the living and the dead. Help us to glean from them, the inspiration to seek and serve you. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the prayerful intentions that we now offer before you, either silently or aloud.

Celebrant

Gracious God, humbly and confidently we turn to you, the source of all blessings. Hear our prayers, offered through your redeeming Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Priest

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Priest 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.**

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.

*The People greet one another with a sign of peace, and then are seated for brief announcements. If the children have been in Sunday School, they return at this time. After the announcements, the People remain seated for the **Offertory Anthem**, during which the collection is taken.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Oculi omnium

William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

*Oculi omnium in te sperant Domine: et tu das illis
escam in tempore opportuno.*

*Aperis tu manum tuam: et implem omne animal
benedictione. Alleluia.*

*Caro mea vere est cibus: et sanguis meus vere est
potus: qui manducat meam carnem, et bibit meum
sanguinem, in me manet, et ego in eo.*

Alleluia.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord; and
you give them their meat in due season.

You open your hand, and satisfy the desire
of every living thing. Alleluia.

For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood
is drink indeed.

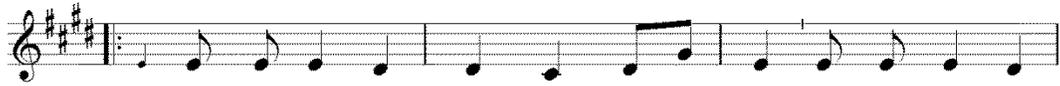
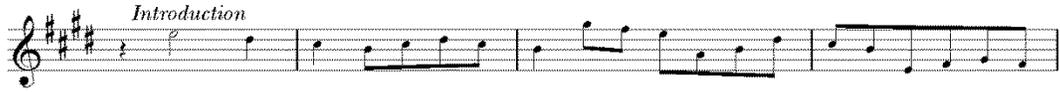
Those that eat my flesh, and drink my
blood, dwell in me, and I in them. Alleluia.

Text: Psalm 145:15-16; John 6:55-56

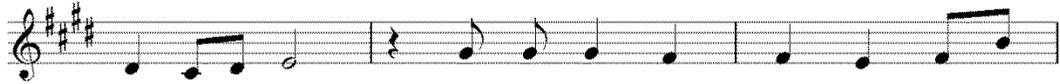
*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Ushers carry the gifts forward. The People follow and encircle the altar. You are encouraged to position children where they can see. Small children may sit with a caregiver on the floor in front of the altar. Standing time is approximately 15 minutes. 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

There's a wideness in God's mercy
Hymn 469 (St. Helena)



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure



of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -
up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -
of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -



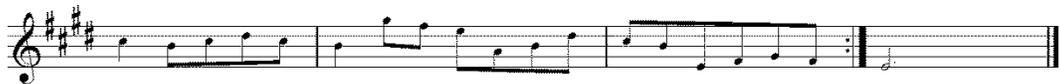
tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come
ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -
nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were



for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy
ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for
but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would



with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



Interlude/Conclusion

THE HOLY COMMUNION
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

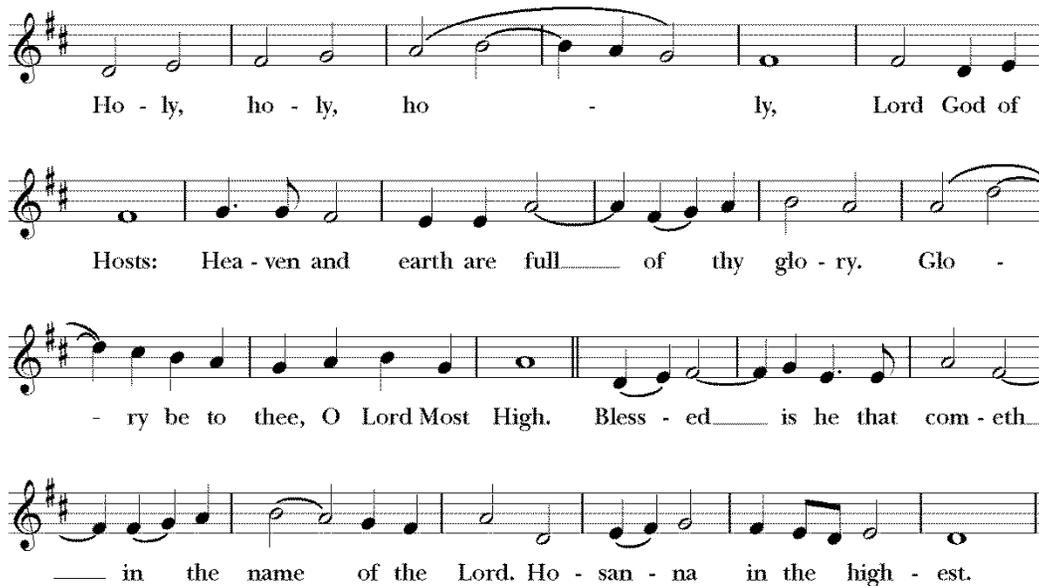
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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

Hymnal S-114



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-161

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.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. 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 any station. Non-alcoholic wine is available from the server at the center of the altar. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM Here, O my Lord Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hands eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
And taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

Text: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

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

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

SENDING FORTH A EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

This prayer is said when a Eucharistic Visitor will take communion to an ill or homebound parishioner. The Eucharistic Visitor joins the Celebrant in front of the altar.

Celebrant and People

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup. Go in peace.

THE BLESSING

FINAL HYMN

Gracious Spirit, give your servants
WLP 782 (*Abbot's Leigh*)

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the

show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.
and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

DISMISSAL

Priest: *[A priest dismisses the people.]*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Grand chœur dialogué

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

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Announcements

For more information, visit us at www.stthomasnewhaven.org and www.musicatstthomas.org.

Today: There is **Sunday School** from 9:30 to 10 and from the Sermon to the Exchange of the Peace. Also, the **Blessing of the Trick-or-Treaters** will take place during worship, after the post-communion prayer.

Daylight Savings Time ends Saturday night. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour at bedtime.

Next Sunday, November 6: All Saints' Sunday

- **Names of the Dead.** During our All Saints' Sunday worship, we will read aloud the names of the dead. To put your loved ones on the list, use the sheet on the bulletin board outside Keri's office or email Keri. The deadline for adding names is Tuesday, November 1.
- **Mementos.** Please bring mementos (photos or other objects) of your departed loved ones. Before the service, place your mementos on the designated table near the altar. It will be a great reminder of the "great cloud of witnesses" that is always with us at communion.
- **Durufle's Requiem.** St. Thomas's will celebrate the saints who have gone before us with a very special Requiem Eucharist for our regular 10 a.m. service. Maurice Durufle's *Requiem*, Op. 9 (1947), will be woven throughout the service.
- **St. Thomas's Day School Admissions Open House.** 2 to 4 p.m. All are invited! Come for a tour and the chance learn more about this important mission of St. Thomas's Church.

About the Nursery... The Sunday School is now using the "Nursery" as a classroom space. All toys have been cleared out of that room and the children's areas in the church; the children's areas now have only church-appropriate books and crayons. On Sundays, please bring with you church-friendly activities for your child(ren).

Cabaret Night: Friday, November 18, 7 p.m. This is your chance to shine! We are seeking performing artists of all ages, talents, and levels of experience. Please sign up ASAP with talent coordinator and event emcee Robbie Laughton (robert.laughton@yale.edu). If you're willing to help with advertising and hospitality, contact Keri (keri.aubert@frontier.com).

Celebration of the Spirit: the Sunday of ECCT Convention, November 20. The Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) is gathering for Eucharist at the Convention Center in Hartford, and **all are invited!** Register on the ECCT website. All the clergy are supposed to be in Hartford on November 20, so worship at St. Thomas's will be sung morning prayer, with officiant Ricardo Chavira



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Serving Today

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp
Preacher: Robert Laughton
Assisting Priest—Word: The Rev. Julie Kelsey
Assisting Priest—Table: The Rev. Keri Aubert
Organist and Choirmaster: Simon Jacobs
Emcee: Dorothy Asch
Eucharistic Minister: Robert Laughton
Crucifer: Ozan Say
Torchbearers: Michael Dunlap, Chris Martinez
Lectors: Don Edwards, Constance Cahill
Intercessor: Dawn Lorentson
Sacristans: Joan Hogan, Bill & Sally Nanfeldt
Ushers/Greeters: Marj Robison, Mel Thompson
Coffee Hour Hosts: Tracy and Brian Earnshaw, Ed Leavy, Sue Richmond, George Shelton

Prayer Intentions

Pray for those in any need or trouble, including:
Bill M., Bill R., Bob, Bob H., Coral, Donna, Jane, Jeannie, Jonathan, Katie, Lee, Marj, Marilyn, Meg, Phil, Suzanne

In St. Thomas's Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Hui Yang, Tom Hogan, Martha Deeds

Pray for those who have died.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Christ & Holy Trinity, Westport; Trinity, Wethersfield; St. Paul's, Willimantic; St. Matthew's, Wilton; all vocational deacons; the Deacons' Council

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Bermuda (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury); the Rt. Rev. Nicholas Dill

Prayer for an Election

(Book of Common Prayer, p. 822)

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the right of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Leadership

The Rev. Keri Aubert—Priest-in-Charge
Simon Jacobs—Director of Music and Organist
Julie Kelly—Administrator, Parish and Property

Officers and Vestry

Ricardo Chavira (Senior Warden)
Mark Branch (Junior Warden)
Alexander Scherer (Treasurer)
Sarah Insley-Say (Clerk)
Dorothy Asch (Deanery Representative)
Anne Harrison (Assistant Treasurer)
Laura Bower-Phipps
Michael Fournier
Daniel Harrison
Jennifer Herdt
The Rev. Julie Kelsey
Chris Martinez
Erika Nemeti
Jennifer Regan
Christopher Ritacco

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
The Rev. Dr. Lynda Z. Tyson

Ministry Coordinators

Dr. Dorothy Asch— Volunteer Lay Assistant
Jennifer Ricker— Children and Youth Ministries
Jennifer Herdt, David Kelsey— Adult Formation

Day School Leadership

Gina Panza—Head of School
Eric Gregory Snow—Chaplain

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If you are new or visiting ...

Welcome! Thank you for attending worship at St. Thomas's. Please consider returning the information slip below, signing the guest register near the main entry, and introducing yourself to a clergy person or usher. After the service, you are invited to join the congregation for Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the second floor).

Families with children: On most Sundays during the school year, Sunday School is offered for children from pre-K through grade 8. All children are invited to attend. On three Sundays a month, Sunday School takes place both before and during the service; on one Sunday a month, it follows the service. On any given Sunday, the bulletin announcements and worship instructions provide additional information.

Families with small children: Two 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 area in front of the left side of the pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

At St. Thomas's, the people gather around the altar for the celebration of the Eucharist. While this may be unfamiliar to you, most find it to be a powerful experience of true communion.

At St. Thomas's, all are invited to receive Holy Communion. There are usually two stations, located at the front corners of the altar, where you may receive Holy Communion. **Gluten-free bread** is available at both stations. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the server at the center of the altar. Any difference in orientation will be explained during the announcements.

To receive Holy Communion: The server will place the bread in your hands. Wine is sipped from the common cup; please use both hands to guide the chalice to your lips. This is the most sanitary option. Some people 'intinct' (dip the bread into the wine), or receive bread only, or request only a blessing. Additional instructions for communion and for worship more generally are included at appropriate points in the bulletin.

Tear along dotted line, and then place in the offering plate or give to a member of the parish

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail & Phone _____

How did you hear about St. Thomas's? _____

I would like to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Speak to a clergy person | <input type="checkbox"/> Enroll my child(ren) in Sunday School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Receive parish emails | <input type="checkbox"/> Learn about joining the Adult Choir |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Have a permanent name tag | <input type="checkbox"/> Enroll my child(ren) in the St. Thomas's
Choristers (Junior Choir) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Explore becoming a member | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get involved with _____ | |