



# ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 28, YEAR B

Service of Holy Eucharist

November 18, 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** all you need is this service bulletin.

**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)** 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. **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.

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## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in G minor, BWV 542/2  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

## INTROIT

O Lord, arise

O Lord, arise into thy resting-place,  
thou and the ark of thy strength.  
Save thy people, good Lord,  
and bless thine inheritance.

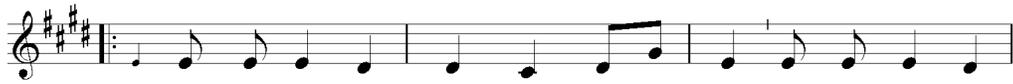
Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness,  
and thy saints sing with joyfulness.  
Alleluia.

Words: Psalm 132:8-9; Te Deum:22 Music: Thomas Weelkes (1576–1623)

*At the ringing of the bell, please stand.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

There's a wideness in God's mercy (469, *The Hymnal 1982*)



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*

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt.  
 Music: *St. Helena*, Calvin Hampton (1938-1984) Copyright ©1977, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR THE RIGHT USE OF GOD'S GIFTS

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

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

*Presider*

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

S-280, *The Hymnal 1982*

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.

Music: Plainsong, Tone 8; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947); acc. Jackson Hill (b. 1941)

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **THE FIRST LESSON**

1 SAMUEL 1:4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 16** (*sung by the Choir*)

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer,  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me;  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## **THE SECOND LESSON**

HEBREWS 10:11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, says the Lord:  
I will put my laws in their hearts,  
and I will write them on their minds,”

he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*All stand.*

SEQUENCE HYMN

Come, ye thankful people, come (290, *The Hymnal 1982*)

1 Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest-home:  
2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;  
3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har - vest home;  
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest-home;

all is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin;  
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown:  
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;  
gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin;

*Descant*

4 there, for ev - er pur - i - fied, in thy pres - ence

1 God, our Ma - ker, doth pro - vide for our wants to  
2 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn  
3 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the  
4 there, for ev - er pur - i - fied, in thy pres - ence

to a - bide; come, with all thine an - gels,  
be sup - plied; come to God's own tem - ple,  
shall ap - pear: grant, O har - vest Lord, that  
tares to cast, but the fruit - ful ears to  
to a - bide; come, with all thine an - gels,

come, raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.  
 come, raise the song of har - vest - home.  
 we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 come, raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

**THE GOSPEL**

MARK 13:1-8

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*All are seated.*

**THE SERMON**

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE**

*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** [*Prayers written by the Rev. Devon Anderson, the Very Rev. Ernesto Medina, and Michael Cunningham for the 1998 Diocese of Michigan convention, whose theme that year was stewardship.*]

*Deacon*

Nurturing God, your love is free, your compassion unconditional, and your mercy infinite. You shower upon us gifts abundant. Grant that we may know and trust these gifts, that we may discover the joy they bring, and inspire us to serve and to love out of that joy.

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively*

Open our lips, O God, that we may proclaim your benevolent truth and your call for justice in our communities, in our congregations, and in the world. **Gracious God, open our lips.**

Open our minds, O God, that we might dream a Church reconciled, a Church that knows only your love so abundantly that it bursts with a passion for ministry, a desire to give completely, and a sense of stewardship that seeks only to give back. **Gracious God, open our minds.**

Open our hearts, O God, to be transformed by the mighty outpouring of your compassion, so that our will to serve others with humility, integrity, and urgency is your desired will for us, your servants. **Gracious God, open our hearts.**

Open our eyes, O God, to the hurts and needs of others that call us to ministry. Teach us to see where our own abilities and resources—and the world's deep hunger—meet. **Gracious God, open our eyes.**

Open our hands, O God, to be your instruments of witness. Help us to work without hesitation, serve without recognition, to do justice, to love kindness, and to serve humbly with you, our God. **Gracious God, open our hands.**

Open our memories, O God, as we remember those who have died. Help us honor the wisdom of those who devoted their lives to your service, and who generously gave of their time and treasure. **Gracious God, open our memories.**

*Presider*

Nurturing God, your love is free, your compassion unconditional, and your mercy infinite. You shower upon us gifts abundant. Grant that we may know and trust these gifts, that we may discover the joy they bring, and inspire us to serve and love out of that joy. In the name of the Risen Christ we pray. **Amen.**

## **THE CONFESSION**

*Deacon*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Deacon 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

# Ave maris stella

Ave maris stella      *Hail, O Star of the ocean,*  
 Dei mater alma      *God's own Mother blest,*  
 atque semper Virgo      *ever sinless Virgin,*  
 felix coeli porta      *gate of heavenly rest.*

vitam praesta puram      *Keep our life all spotless,*  
 iter para tutum      *make our way secure*  
 ut videntes Jesum      *until we find in Jesus,*  
 semper collaetemur      *joy for evermore.*

solve vincla reis      *Break the sinners' fetters,*  
 profer lumen caecis      *make our blindness day,*  
 mala nostra pelle      *Chase all evils from us,*  
 bona cuncta posce      *for all blessings pray.*

sit laus Deo patri      *Praise to God the Father,*  
 summo Christo decus      *honor to the Son,*  
 Spiritui Sancto      *in the Holy Spirit,*  
 tribus honor unus. Amen.      *be the glory one. Amen.*

Words: Anonymous hymn      Music: Edvard Grieg (1843–1907)

*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

# Take everything from me that keeps me from you

Take eve-ry-thing from me that keeps me from you. Give eve-ry-thing to  
 me that brings me close to you. My Lord and my God,  
 take me from my-self, and give me ful-ly un-to you. Take



The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (grand staff with treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high - est. \*Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high - est." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

Music: Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930) from *WORSHIP II*

### *Presider*

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:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Presider*

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.**

## 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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

## FRACTION ANTHEM

(875, *Wonder, Love and Praise*)

*Cantor or Choir*

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the  
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

1. *Congregation* 2. *Cantor or Choir*

break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The  
bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -

*Congregation*

mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be  
 known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the  
 ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }  
*Cantor or Choir*  
 bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though  
*Congregation*  
 man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord  
 The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord  
 Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the bread.  
 Je - sus }

Music: Gary James (b. 1957)

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 the center 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

Verleih uns Frieden

Verleih uns Frieden genädiglich,  
 Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten,  
 es ist doch ja kein ander nicht,  
 der für uns könnte streiten,  
 denn du, unser Gott, alleine.

Grant us peace graciously,  
 Lord God, in our time;  
 there is indeed no other  
 who could fight for us  
 than You, our God, alone.

Gib unsern Fürsten und aller Obrigkeit  
 Fried und gut Regiment,  
 daß wir unter ihnen  
 ein geruhig und stilles Leben führen mögen,  
 in aller Gottseligkeit und Ehrbarkeit. Amen.

Give our rulers and all lawgivers  
 peace and good government,  
 that under them  
 we might lead a quiet and peaceful life  
 in all blessedness and honor. Amen.

Words: Martin Luther and Johann Walter Music: Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672), SWV 372 & 373

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

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

*Presider 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.**

## THE BLESSING

FINAL HYMN

God of grace and God of glory (594, *The Hymnal 1982*)

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!  
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;  
 crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -  
 hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

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 Music: *Cum Rhonda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

DISMISSAL

Deacon: *[The Deacon dismisses the People.] [Alleluia, Alleluia!]*  
 People: **Thanks be to God. [Alleluia, Alleluia!]**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in G major, BWV 541/2  
 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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## Announcements

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**Stewardship season continues.** Thanks to **Madison Thompson** for offering today's stewardship message. For information about stewardship, you can always contact one of the members of the Stewardship Team: Diana Church Empsall, Don Edwards, Kyle Holton, Alexandria Robison, Ozan Say, Kathryn Scherer, Joann Sweasy. You can also find forms and information on the Home page of our website, and in the special stewardship editions of the Enews. **Please return your pledge by next Sunday, November 25.**

**Reminder: 2018 Pledge Payments.** Please plan to pay your 2018 PLEDGE by the end of the year. If you're unsure how much of your pledge remains to be paid, contact Julie in the office.

**Important: Weekday Building Security.** Church and Day School leadership recently reviewed building access protocols in light of Day School security needs. **IF YOU COME TO THE CHURCH ON A SCHOOLDAY**, you **MUST** enter the building through the Day School lobby entrance (that's true even if you have a key that opens other doors). A Church staffer will need to let you in, so please use the outside wall panel to buzz the Church offices. To ensure that one of us is available, or to make other arrangements if necessary, it's always best to schedule your visit ahead of time. Thank you for your understanding!

**Flu season has arrived ...** and with it our annual communion wine request. Though perhaps counter-intuitive, it is more sanitary for everyone if you SIP than if you DIP. More germs are exchanged via hands than lips! Therefore, we humbly ask all you who instinct (dip the bread into the cup) to **PLEASE** consider sipping from the cup instead.

**Please support Loaves and Fishes** by donating non-perishable food items, especially protein. Thank you!

**Thanksgiving Holiday.** The office will be closed on Thursday, November 22. (The office is closed on Fridays.)

**New Haven Area Episcopal Young Adult Network Thanksgiving Gathering.** Tuesday, November 20th at 6:30 pm! See the Enews for details.

**Save the Date: Advent Lessons & Carols: Sunday, December 9, 5 p.m.** This is one of the most beautiful services of the church year. Please plan to come, and invite your friends.

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT, SEPTEMBER 30

	September 2018		Year-to-Date	
	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual
Income				
Pledge/Plate & Building Use	12,186.43	11,938.10	109,677.75	92,416.57
School Reimbursement	3,175.15	0.00	28,576.40	26,902.53
Regular Endowment Income*	9,783.83	10,225.62	88,054.50	90,620.96
Additional Endowment Income**	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>25,145.41</b>	<b>22,163.72</b>	<b>226,308.65</b>	<b>234,940.06</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$30,618.99</b>	<b>\$31,548.00</b>	<b>\$275,559.98</b>	<b>\$252,736.96</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-\$5,473.58</b>	<b>-\$9,384.28</b>	<b>-\$49,251.33</b>	<b>-\$17,796.90</b>

\* This figure represents 5.25% of a three-year rolling average of the Fair Market Value of the endowment, consistent with accepted prudent practices for endowment management and with the endowment spending policy adopted by the Vestry at the January 2018 meeting.

\*\* Also at its January 2018 meeting, the Vestry approved a deficit budget, planning to meet the shortfall with additional, specially-approved endowment funds. As part of this plan, the Vestry approved the additional withdrawal from the endowment of \$25,000 in June to meet cash flow demands. Meanwhile, the Vestry, with support from the Finance and Stewardship Committees, are working to develop a long-term solution to the underlying challenges.

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

## Serving Today

**Presider:** The Rev. Keri Aubert  
**Preacher & Deacon:** The Rev. April Alford-Harkey  
**Stewardship Message:** Madison Thompson  
**Conductor & Organist:** Dr. Noah Horn  
**Emcee:** Dr. Dorothy Asch  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Michael Dunlap  
**Crucifer:** Madison Thompson  
**Lectors:** Sara Misgen, Ed Leavy  
**Intercessor:** Jan Hagens  
**Stewardship & Vestry Host:** Alexandria Robison  
**Sacristans:** Judy & Madison Thompson  
**Ushers:** Gail Curran, Gary Robison  
**Counters:** Diana Empsall, Constance Cahill  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Erika Nemeti & Michael Dunlap, Edward Leavy, Sue Richmond

## This Week's Prayer Intentions

**Pray for those in any need or trouble, including:**  
Dorothy, Drew, Greg, Jerry, Katie, Lee, Luann, Parke

**Pray for those who have died.**

**In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Robert Brockenberry, Christian Brockenberry, Vivian, Lauren, Nancy Chapman

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Ministries with older adults; The Girl's Friendly Society, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the Daughters of the King

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Bermuda

**In the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayer Cycle, pray for:**  
East Timor (Timor Leste), Indonesia, Philippines

## 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. Canon K. Dexter Cheney  
The Rev. Jakki Flanagan

**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.  
Gina Criscuolo (Chair)  
Frank Chang (Vice-Chair)  
Tracey Meares (Treasurer)  
Jeralyn Fantarella (Secretary)  
John Forrest  
Alex Babbidge  
Don Edwards  
Jonathan Macey  
Eileen O'Donnell  
Kenneth Paul  
Kathryn Crabb Scherer  
Denise Terry  
Heather Tookes Alexopoulos

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