



# ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT, YEAR B

Service of Holy Eucharist

February 25, 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. There are usually two communion stations, one at each front corner of the altar. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each station. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the single server at the center of the altar. 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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INTROIT



Ex ore innocentium

It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be,  
That God's own son should come from heaven and die to save a child like me.  
And yet I know that it is true: he chose a poor and humble lot  
And wept and toiled, and mourned and died, for love of those who loved him not.  
I sometimes think about the cross, and shut my eyes, and try to see  
The cruel nails and crown of thorns, and Jesus crucified for me.  
But even could I see him die, I should but see a little part  
Of that great love, which, like a fire, is always burning in his heart.  
And yet I want to love thee, Lord: O light the flame within my heart,  
And I will love thee more and more, until I see thee as thou art.



Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897); Music: John Ireland (1879-1962)

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



THE GREAT LITANY

*Officiant*  *People* 



O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant*  *People* 


O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant*  *People* 


O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant*  *People* 


O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* 


Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

*People* 

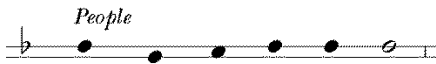
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

*Officiant* 

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the



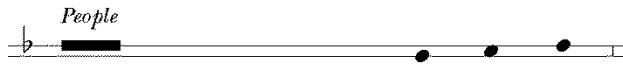
devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,



Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

*(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)*

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,



We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

*(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)*



Official Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

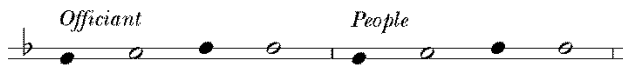


O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.



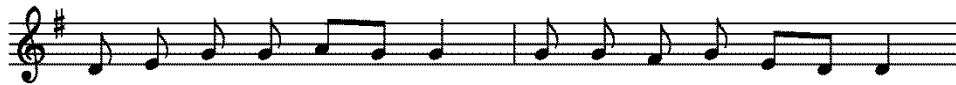
O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.

## KYRIE ELEISON

S-358, *The Hymnal 1982*

*Cantor*

*All*



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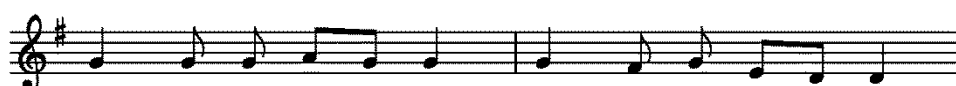
*Choir*



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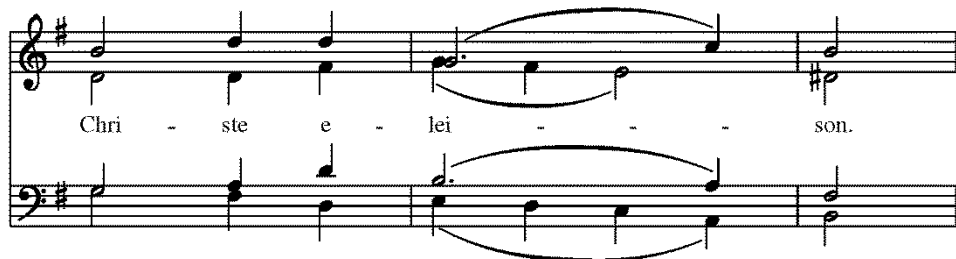
*Cantor*

*All*




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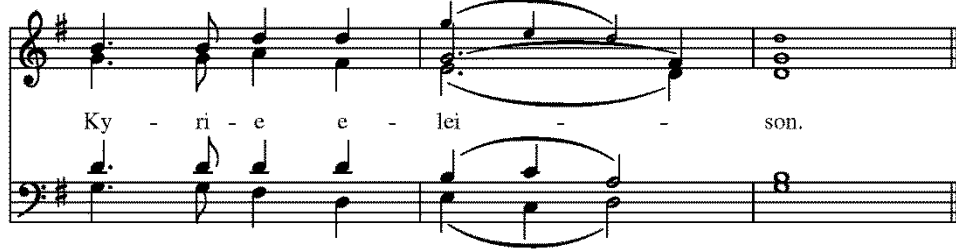
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*Cantor* *All*



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

*Choir*



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Setting: Plainsong, Tone 8; fauxbourdon Janet Hall (b. 1923).  
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## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 22:22-30** (*sung by the choir*)

*Deus, Deus meus*

22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them; \*  
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*  
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done.

Plainsong Tone IV.1

## SECOND LESSON

ROMANS 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Hymn 634: I call on thee, Lord Jesus Christ, *The Hymnal 1982*

*Unison or harmony*

I call on thee, Lord Je - sus Christ, I have none o - ther  
 help but thee. My heart is nev - er set at rest till  
 thy sweet word have com - fort - ed me. And stead - fast faith grant  
 me there - fore, to hold by thy word ev - er - more, a - bove all thing,  
 nev - er re - sist - ing but to in - crease in faith more and more.

Words: Miles Coverdale (1487-1568);

Music: *Ich ruf zu dir*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1533; harm. *Thüringer Evangelisches Gesangbuch*, 1928

GOSPEL

MARK 8:31-38

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

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

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my

followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise 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 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**

Give ear unto me

Give ear unto me, Lord, I beseech Thee,  
 for I have walked in Thy commandments,  
 Let me be judged with righteous judgment,  
 O let my sentence, come from from Thy presence.

Words: Psalm 17, para.; Music: Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Usbers 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**

Hymn 734: Forty days and forty nights, *Wonder, Love and Praise*

1. You laid a - side your right - ful rep - u - ta - tion  
 2. You touched the lep - er, ate with those re - ject - ed,  
 3. Help us to fol - low, Je - sus, where you lead us  
 4. Draw us to you and with your love trans - form us:

and gave no heed to what the world might say;  
 re - ceived the wor - ship of a wo - man's tears:  
 to love, to serve, our own lives lay - ing down;  
 the love we've seen, the love we've touched and known;





served as a slave and laid a - side your gar - ments  
 You shed the pride that keeps us from the free - dom  
 to walk your way of hum - ble, cost - ly ser - vice,  
 en - large our hearts and with com - pas - sion fill us

to wash the feet of those who walked your way.  
 to love our neigh - bor, lay - ing down our fears.  
 a cross its end, a ring of thorns its crown.  
 to love, to serve, to fol - low you a - lone.

Words: Rosalind Brown (b. 1953); Music: *Intercessor*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

## THE HOLY COMMUNION THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A



*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 him 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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-128, *The Hymnal 1982*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven 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.

Music: William Mathias (1934-1992)

## *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.**

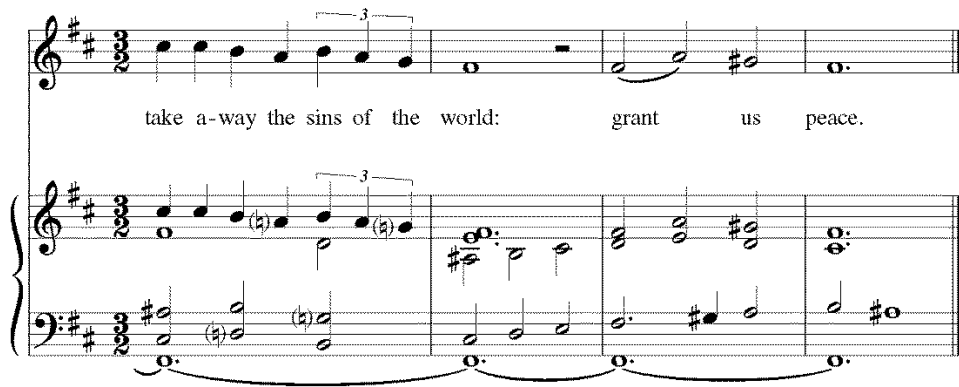
### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

### FRACTION ANTHEM

871, *Wonder, Love and Praise*

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/8 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a whole rest, followed by the lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the". The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and chords in the left hand. The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics: "world: have mer-cy on us. — Lamb of God, you". The piano accompaniment continues with similar patterns, including triplets in the right hand. The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat signs.



Music: Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930)

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

*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

Cast me not away

Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy spirit from me.  
 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.  
 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.  
 Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Words: Psalm 51:11, 12, 17, 8 (KJV); Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

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

## POST-COMMUNION 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.**

## SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

*Priest*

Bow down before the Lord.

*Presider*

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## FINAL HYMN

Hymn 150: Forty days and forty nights, *The Hymnal 1982*

1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;  
2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,  
3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!  
4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;  
5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.  
2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?  
3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!  
4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.  
5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Words: George Hunt Smytten (1822-1870), alt.;

Music: *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

## DISMISSAL

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671  
Bach

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## LENT

Early Christians observed “a season of penitence and fasting” in preparation for the Paschal feast, or Pascha, what we commonly call Easter. The season now known as Lent (from an Old English word meaning “spring,” the time of lengthening days) has a long history. Originally, in places where Pascha was celebrated on a Sunday, the Paschal feast followed a fast of up to two days. In the third century this fast was lengthened to six days. Eventually this fast became attached to, or overlapped, another fast of forty days, in imitation of Christ’s fasting in the wilderness. The forty-day fast was especially important for converts to the faith who were preparing for baptism, and for those guilty of notorious sins who were being restored to the Christian assembly. In the western church the forty days of Lent extend from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, omitting Sundays. The last three days of Lent are the sacred Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Today Lent has reacquired its significance as the final preparation of adult candidates for baptism. Joining with them, all Christians are invited “to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word” (*Book of Common Prayer*, page 265). [From *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, A User Friendly Reference for Episcopalians*, Don S. Armentrout and Robert Boak Slocum, editors.]

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### NEW HAVEN AREA EPISCOPAL YOUNG ADULT NETWORK

**KICKOFF GATHERING  
MONDAY, MARCH 5  
WALL STREET PIZZA  
6:30-8:30 P.M.**

Episcopal leaders from the New Haven area (including Keri) are endeavoring to start a Young Adult Network. At this kickoff gathering, the young adults in attendance will have the opportunity to discuss what they would like in a Young Adult Network - and to eat free pizza. There are no stated age restrictions, so if you consider yourself a young adult, come on down!

Share our Facebook event and come on down!

## Memorial and Honorific Gifts

*Please consider making a gift in memory or in honor of someone in your life.  
You can direct the funds to sanctuary candles, flower/ decorations, or music.  
To do so, contact Julie in the church office.*

## Announcements

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

### TODAY,

- The **Middle and High School Youth** will meet immediately after worship in the Youth Room.
- The **Inquirers Class** will meet 12:15 in the Atrium.

**Rector Discernment Process.** A very important part of this Process consists of meetings with members of our parish to determine if we have made progress on our goals, if we are seeing new signs of health or new life, and to determine what work is yet to be done. These meetings will take place:

- **TODAY**, February 25, 2018, from 11:30-12:30 during coffee hour (in the Lounge)
- Sunday, March 4, 2018, from 9-10AM room to be announced
- Sunday, March 11, 2018, from 11:30-12:30 in the Atrium

**Parish Social: This Friday, March 2, 6 p.m.: Theme???**

### Support for Columbus House

Several parishioners have expressed interest in supporting Columbus House, especially their Abraham's Tent program. While our housing of the Day School involves security needs that preclude our direct participation in Abraham's Tent, we can give in other ways. For example, see their Wish List of URGENT NEEDS below. Bring your donations to church, and we'll see they get to Columbus House.

- New socks
- New men's boxer underwear (sizes medium, large & x-large)
- New women's underwear (sizes 7 through 12)
- Chap Stick
- Men & women's deodorant
- Full size toiletries (dry shampoo, shaving cream, disposable razors, aftershave, shampoo, soap, toothpaste)
- Wash cloths & bath towels
- \$25 Stop & Shop gift cards
- \$25 Walmart gift cards
- Gift cards to Big Lots, Kmart
- Gift cards to CVS & Walgreens
- New twin bed sheets

**Save the Date: The Day School Gala is Saturday, April 28, at the School.** All funds raised will support the playground reconstruction.

**Evening Prayer at St. Thomas's - Every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Lady Chapel.** The service lasts about 30 minutes. All are invited.

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

## Serving Today

**Presider:** The Rev. Keri Aubert  
**Preacher:** The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp  
**Organist:** Simon Jacobs  
**Emcee:** Dr. Dorothy Asch  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Ricardo Chavira  
**Thurifer:** Michael Dunlap  
**Crucifer:** Derek Stefanovsky  
**Torchbearers:** Christopher Martinez, Sara Misgen  
**Lectors:** Drew McDermott, Claire Scully  
**Sacristans:** Valerie & Greg Echols, Jami Carlacio  
**Ushers/Greeters:** Gary Robison, Mary Ann Nelson  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Anne & Dan Harrison, Constance Cahill, Craig Bottiger  
**Vestry Host:** Joann Sweasy  
**Counters:** Michael Fournier, Robert Herdt

## This Week's Prayer Intentions

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

**Pray for those who have died, especially**  
Those killed in the Parkland, Florida, school shooting

**In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Amy Cicero, Paige, Gillian, Henry, Mark Cicero, Katie Coleman

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
St. Timothy's, Fairfield; Trinity/St. Michael's, Fairfield; St. James', Farmington; All parish-based mission partnerships; ECCT-wide mission partnership networks; the Companions in Mission Network

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America; The Most Revd. Sturdie Downs, Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Nicaragua

**Collect at Confirmation (BCP, p. 254):** Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## 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

**Seminarian Intern**  
Matthew Babcock

**Church Ministry Coordinator**  
Dr. Dorothy Asch—Volunteer Lay Assistant

**Day School Board of Trustees**  
Gina Panza—Head of School  
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Gina Criscuolo (Vice-Chair)  
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