



ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 5, YEAR B

Service of Holy Eucharist

June 10, 2018 10 A.M.

If you are new or visiting ...

Welcome! After the service, please come to Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the 2nd floor) for food and fellowship. 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. We are currently on hiatus for the summer.

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

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

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

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

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

ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH & DAY SCHOOL

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

IV. The Peace may be exchanged
from *Rubrics*, Dan Locklair (b. 1949)

The People gather in prayerful silence. At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Before the Lord's eternal throne (*The Hymnal* 1982 391)

1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye
2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed
3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our
4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high
5 Wide as the world is thy com - mand, vast

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is
2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering
3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors
4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten
5 as e - ter - ni - ty thy love; firm as a rock thy

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.
2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.
3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?
4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.
5 truth must stand, when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt; para. of Psalm 100

Music: *Winchester New*; melody from *Musicalisches Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

1 SAMUEL 8:4-11, [12-15], 16-20, [11:14-15]

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 138

Sung by all. Each singular line of the psalm is sung in speech-rhythm to one measure of the chant, the chant repeating every two verses and the bold syllable(s) sung on the bold note of each measure.

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole **heart**; *
before the gods I will sing your **praise**.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your **Name**, *
because of your love and **faithfulness**;

3 For you have glorified your **Name** *
and your word above **all things**.

4 When I called, you **answered me**; *
you increased my strength within **me**.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O **LORD**, *
when they have heard the words of your **mouth**.

6 They will sing of the ways of the **LORD**, *
that great is the glory of the **LORD**.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the **lowly**; *
he perceives the haughty from **afar**.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my **enemies**;
your right hand shall **save me**.

The second half of the chant is repeated:

9 The LORD will make good his purpose **for me**; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your **hands**.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS:4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his

presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Mary heard the angel's message (*Voices Found 4*)

Em D/E Em A/E

1 Ma - ry heard the an - gel's mess - age:
 2 When she heard her cou - sin's greet - ing,
 3 Ma - ry heard the shep - herds' sto - ry,
 4 Ma - ry heard, "Who is my moth - er?
 5 When they learned the Lord had ris - en,

Em Em/G G/B Em

"Greet - ings Ma - ry, fa - vored one.
 Ma - ry's heart was filled with joy,
 words she trea - sured with de - light.
 Who is in my fa - mi - ly?
 Christ's dis - ci - ples met to pray.

Em Bm7 Em D

Do not fear, for God is with you;
 so she sang of God's great bless - ing
 Then an an - gel gave the warn - ing:
 All who do my Fa - ther's bid - ding,
 Ma - ry was a - mong the faith - ful,

Am Bm Am Em

you will one day bear God's Son."
 prom - ised in her ba - by
 "Flee with Je - sus in the night!"
 all these ones be - long to me."
 bound in love, on Je - sus' Way.

Filled with questions, filled with wonder,
 "God has looked on me with favor,
 Mary wondered in her anguish,
 Later, on the hill she heard him,
 God, we see her, Christ's disciple,
 she proclaimed her faith in God:
 so I sing this song of praise.
 what would be the pain he'd know?
 "Woman, see your new son there!
 loving, learn ing, serv ing, too.

"May it be as you have spoken;
 God has worked, the proud to scatter;
 Flee ing then, she held him close ly.
 You, my friend, be hold your mother!"
 Like her, may we hear and answer,

I'm the servant of the Lord!"
 humble, hungry ones to raise."
 One day she would let him go.
 So Christ formed new bonds of care.
 "We, your servants, live for you."

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THE GOSPEL

MARK 3:20-25

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

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

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

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

All are seated.

THE SERMON

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

THE NICENE CREED

Presider and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor

To the God who created us, redeemed us, and guides us, we bring our prayers for the church and world, saying, Triune God, hear our prayer.

We pray for your church throughout the world. Help us to live in peace with each other, and draw us into closer unity. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the leaders of the world. Give them compassion for the vulnerable and needy, and move them to works of justice and mercy. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the earth and all that you have made. Teach us to care for the world that sustains us, and inspire us to preserve it for generations to come. **Triune God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for this community of faith. Help us to bring the good news of your love to the world, in all that we do. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the children of this congregation, and those who have taught them this year. Continue to guide them in the way of holiness and righteousness, and bless the ministry of education to which you have called us. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose lives are marked by violence and suffering. Give strength and comfort to the victims, and move the perpetrators to repentance. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in need or trouble: feed the hungry, tend the sick, relieve the weary, bless the dying, and soothe the suffering. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died. May perpetual light shine upon them. Triune God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all that we now name before you, either silently or out loud.

Presider

Most holy and triune God, accept these prayers of your gathered people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, and to you we give Glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION [*from A Wee Worship Book of the Iona Community*]

Priest

Let us in silence remember our own faults and failings.

Silence is kept.

Priest and People

**In the community of Christ's Church
and in the presence of all God's people,
we confess to God that we have sinned
in thought, word, and deed.**

**We have not loved God,
cared for God's world,
or respected god's people as we should.**

**W own our responsibility
and pray for God's pardon.**

Priest

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN

Jesus lives! Thy terrors now (*The Hymnal* 1982 194)

1 Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er, death, ap -
 2 Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to Je - sus
 3 Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall
 4 Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the world is

pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know thou, O
 liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide, glo - ry
 sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us
 giv - en: may we go where he has gone, rest and

grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!
 to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
 reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Christian Furchtegott Gellert (1715-1769)

Music: *Mousley*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:
 SUPPLEMENTARY EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2
 FROM THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider

Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world.

When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS

(*Wonder, Love, and Praise* 854)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

Presider

Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people’s good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, “Take and 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.”

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

Presider and People

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Presider

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our fellow children of God. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, 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.

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

After the bread and wine are prepared, and the priest continues, saying

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 the center 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.

After all have received communion, the Communion hymn will begin. You may remain seated.

COMMUNION HYMN

We walk by faith, and not by sight (*The Hymnal 1982* 488)

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra-cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol-low where he trod; but in his promise
may our faith abound, to call on you when
realms of clearer light we may behold you

none e'er spoke; but we believe him near.
we re-joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and endless sight.

Words: Henry Alford (1910-1871), alt.
Music: *St. Botolph*, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

All stand.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Presider: Glory to God,

People: **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Presider

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

FINAL HYMN

God of grace and God of Glory (*The Hymnal* 1982 594)

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.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt.
 Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

DISMISSAL

Priest: *[A priest dismisses the people.]*
 People: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude and fugue in g minor
 J. S. Bach* (1685-1750)

**the set of eight "little" preludes and fugues from which these are taken has also been attributed to Johann Tobias Krebs (1690-1762), or his son Johann Ludwig (1713-1780).*

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Memorial and Honorific Gifts

Announcements

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

Thank you to today’s preacher, Meg Stapleton Smith. Meg is a PhD student in Theological and Social Ethics at Fordham University (Bronx, NY). She graduated from Yale Divinity School with a master's degree in Ethics in 2016. Meg worships both at St. Thomas's and at Christ & Holy Trinity (Westport, CT) where her fiancé, the Rev. Marcella Gillis, serves as the Associate Rector. She lives in Westport with Marcella and their cat, Kyrie Eleison.

Day School graduation is this coming Wednesday, June 13, at 10 a.m. The ceremony takes place in the church, and a reception follows in the Lounge. Please consider attending as we honor this year’s graduates. **Keri is on vacation through next Sunday**, but she will be around for Day School graduation events. **Education for All Ages** programming is on hiatus for the summer. However, keep an eye out for summer special events and planning for next year.

Former Archbishop of Canterbury **the Rt. Rev. Dr. Rowan Williams** will be giving a lecture on Wednesday, June 20, at 5:30 p.m. at Trinity on the Green. His lecture is titled, “Naming the World: Liturgy and the Transformation of Time and Matter.” The Episcopal **New Haven Young Adult Ministry** will be meeting afterwards for dinner and conversation at Olives & Oil. For details, see last week’s Enews.

Summer Coffee Hour: Keep it simple! Seeking Coffee Hour volunteer hosts for summer Sundays through August 26. Think outside the box; fare can be simpler and even served outside. A sign-up sheet is located in the lounge and a link to the online sign-up can be found in the e-news. Thank you for participating in this important ministry!

Music Director Search. In case you're wondering, know that the search for our new Music Director is underway! Between word-of-mouth and online job postings, we currently have twelve great applicants! The interview process is just beginning, but we hope to have our new Music Director under contract by the time the Choir leaves for England on July 22. The following people have generously agreed to serve with Keri as a search advisory team: Mark Branch, Don Edwards, Cora Hagens, Dan Harrison, and Jennifer Herdt. Please feel free to contact Keri or one of them if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT, APRIL 30

	Month-Year		Year-to-Date	
	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual
Income (Pledge/Plate & Building Use)	12,186.43	8,605.5	48,745.67	40,417.55
School Reimbursement	3,175.15	0.00	12,700.62	11,712.08
Regular Endowment Income*	9,783.83	10,220.62	39,135.33	39,517.86
Total Income	25,145.41	18,826.12	100,581.62	91,647.49
Total Expenses	30,618.99	26,420.94	122,475.99	117,088.31
Net**	(5,473.58)	(7,594.82)	(21,894.37)	(25,440.82)

* 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. For now, month-to-month deficits have not impacted cash flow, and the treasurer and parish staff continue to monitor the situation closely. 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. Dexter Cheney
Preacher: Meg Stapleton Smith
Music Director & Organist: Gabriel Rhys Simerson
Emcee: Dr. Dorothy Asch
Eucharistic Minister: Christopher Martinez
Crucifer: Sara Misgen
Lectors: Claire Scully, Jan Hagens
Intercessor: Derek Stefanovsky
Sacristans: Valerie & Greg Echols, Jami Carlacio
Ushers/Greeters: Bill & Sally Nanfeldt
Vestry Host: Diana Empsall
Counters: Diana Empsall, Don Edwards
Coffee Hour Hosts: Lorna & Bob Herdt, Jan Hagens & Jennifer Herdt

This Week's Prayer Intentions

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

Pray for those who have died.

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Chris Martinez, Drew McDermott, John Meah, Kristin Meah, Connor

Pray for our Parish, especially the Officers and Vestry:
Joann, Don, Diana, Martha, Anne, Constance, Dan, Dawn, Chris, Jen, Alexandria, Kate

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Zion, North Branford; St. John's, North Haven; St. Andrew's, Northford; Christ Church, Norwalk; Students of all ages who are graduating

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico; The Most Rev. Francisco Moreno Presiding Bishop of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico & Bishop of Northern Mexico

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

Leadership at St. Thomas's

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

Church (Volunteer) Associate Priests
The Rev. Dexter Cheney
The Rev. Jakki Flanagan
The Rev. Julie Kelsey
The Rev. Bill Loutrel
The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp
The Rev. Lee McGee Street
The Rev. Dr. Parke Street

Church Ministry Coordinator
Dr. Dorothy Asch—Volunteer Lay Assistant

Day School Board of Trustees
Gina Panza—Head of School
The Rev. Keri Aubert—President, Day School Corp.
Jonathan Macey (Chair)
Gina Criscuolo (Vice-Chair)
Tracey Meares (Treasurer)
Jeralyn Fantarella (Secretary)
Alex Babbidge
Frank Chang
Don Edwards
John Forrest
Jennifer McTiernan
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