

# ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (YEAR A) Holy Eucharist

February 5, 2017

10:00 A.M.

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

**VOLUNTARY** Largo, Allegro, Aria and Two Variations Michael Festing (1705-1752)  
arr. George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

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

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the living God!  
Hymn 372 (*Leon*)

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;  
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:  
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.  
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.  
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.  
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,  
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,  
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.  
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.  
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

*Presider and People*

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**KYRIE AND GLORIA** (*sung by the choir*)

Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo  
 Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

*Kyrie eleison.*

*Christe eleison.*

*Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

*Glória in excélsis Deo*

*et in terra pax homínibus bonæ voluntátis.*

*Laudámus te,*

*benedícimus te,*

*adorámus te,*

*glorificámus te,*

*grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam,*

*Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis,*

*Deus Pater omnípotens.*

*Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe,*

*Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris,*

*qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis;*

*qui tollis peccáta mundi, súscipe*

*deprecatióem nostram.*

*Qui sedes ad dèxteram Patris, miserére nobis.*

*Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus*

*Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus,*

Glory to God in the highest  
 and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

Almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the  
 Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of  
 the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

*Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: in gloria  
Dei Patris. Amen.*

in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,  
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,

a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,

and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,

and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?  
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.  
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 112** (*sung by the choir*)

*Beatus vir*

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \*  
the desires of the wicked will perish.

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-16

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the human heart conceived,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

“For who has known the mind of the Lord  
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*

## SEQUENCE HYMN

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

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

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

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

## THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:13-20

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

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

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.  
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## 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: Joining our hearts in hope and faith, we pray to God, saying, "Light of Christ, shine on all creation."

Flame of abundant love, give us joy in proclaiming your Good News to the world. We pray for your universal church and for all ministers of your Word. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Ember of steadfast presence, fuel our passion to challenge injustice and violence, and to pursue peace and reconciliation. We pray for this nation and for all the nations of the world. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Star of wondrous glory, lead us to care for this fragile earth, our island home. We pray for the land on which we stand, the waters that surround us, and the creatures that inhabit them. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Lamp of eternal wisdom, guide us as we seek and follow you. We pray for St. Thomas's Church and Day School, and especially for leaders lay and ordained, as they listen to hear the guidance of your Spirit. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Radiance of boundless compassion, direct our hands to your loving service. We pray for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the homeless, and for all those in any need or trouble. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Spark of true liberation, send us your redeeming and reconciling grace. We pray for the dying and the dead. Light of Christ, **shine on all creation.**

Please offer your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, either silently or aloud.

*Presider*

Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your presence and continually reveal the divinity of your Son; strengthen us to walk the path of your desire, so that by word and deed we may manifest the gracious news of your light and love; through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## **THE CONFESSION**

*Priest*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Priest and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*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**      Holy is the true light      William H. Harris (1883-1973)

Holy is the True Light, and passing wonderful,  
lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict.  
From Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour,  
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia!

*Text: From the Salisbury Diurnal by The Rev. G.H. Palmer*

*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**

The church of Christ in every age  
WLP 779 (*Dunedin*)

1. The church of Christ in every age, be - set by  
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise. A car - ing  
4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



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** (*sung by the choir*)

Missa brevis

Haydn

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*Presider*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Presider and People*

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

*Presider*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Thomas, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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.*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

**AGNUS DEI** *(sung by the choir)*

Missa brevis

Haydn

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.

*Presider*

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

*All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. Please proceed to the most conveniently located station to receive communion, and then return to your seat via a side aisle. Gluten-free bread is available at any station. Non-alcoholic wine is available from the server at the center of the altar. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.*

**COMMUNION ANTHEM**

Benedictus (from *Missa Brevis*)

Haydn

*Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*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**

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

**FINAL HYMN**

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

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

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

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

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and  
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior  
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -  
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the  
  
 show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.  
 and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.  
 ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.  
 world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

## DISMISSAL

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)



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## Announcements

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**Next Sunday in Adult Ed:** Katherine Vaillancourt and Derek Stefanovsky will share their experience serving with the Anglican Diocese of Northern Malawi in South Central Africa in 2015 and in the coming summer.

**LGBTQ+ Group (Integrity Group?) Organizational Gathering: Friday, February 17, 7 p.m., in the Lounge: Dessert, Fellowship, Planning, and Compline.** Contact Keri for more information.

**Immigration: Sanctuary Movement: Accompaniment Training: Sunday, February 19, 2-4 p.m., Congregation Mishkan Israel.** Contact Keri for more information.

**Another Cabaret Night? Yes! Save the Date: Shrove Tuesday, February 28, 6 p.m.** Details to come.

## Serving Today

**Presider:** The Rev. Julie Kelsey  
**Preacher:** The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp  
**Assisting Priest:** The Rev. Keri Aubert  
**Organist and Choirmaster:** Simon Jacobs  
**Emcee:** Dorothy Asch  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Robert Laughton  
**Crucifer:** Chris Martinez  
**Torchbearers:** Michael Dunlap, Dan Edoma  
**Lectors:** Daniel Harrison, Constance Cahill  
**Intercessor:** Robert Herdt  
**Sacristans:** Joan Hogan, Bill & Sally Nanfeldt  
**Ushers/Greeters:** Gary Robison, Mary Ann Nelson  
**Flowers & Decorations:** Sally Edwards, Judy Thompson  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Michael & Jennifer Fournier, Carolyn Sharp, Megan Ifill, Peter Piech

## Prayer Intentions

**Pray for those in any need or trouble, including:**  
Bill R., Bob H., Jane, Jeannie, Jonathan, Lee, Marilyn, Meg, Paul, Peter G., Phil, Suzanne, Timothy

**Pray for those who have died.**

**In St. Thomas's Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
Kathleen Bower-Phipps, Laura Bower-Phipps, Elizabeth, Mark Branch, John Branch, Peter, Marion Brewer

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:**  
All Saint's, East Hartford; St. John's, East Hartford; Christ & the Epiphany, East Haven; St. John's East Windsor; The Haitian Ministry Network; Haitian ministry in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut

**Prayer in Times of Conflict (*BCP*, p. 824)**  
O God, you have bound us together in a common life; help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Church Leadership

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

**Officers and Vestry**  
Joann Sweasy (Senior Warden)  
Don Edwards (Junior Warden)  
Alexander Scherer (Treasurer)  
Marj Robison (Clerk)  
Anne Harrison (Assistant Treasurer)  
Laura Bower-Phipps  
Michael Fournier  
Daniel Harrison  
Martha Deeds Hogan  
Kevin Johnson  
Chris Martinez  
Tom Radice  
Jennifer Regan  
Christopher Ritacco

**Associate Priests**  
The Rev. Dexter Cheney  
The Rev. Jakki Flanagan  
The Rev. Julie Kelsey  
The Rev. Bill Loutrel  
The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp  
The Rev. Lee McGee Street  
The Rev. Dr. Parke Street  
The Rev. Dr. Lynda Z. Tyson

**MINISTRY COORDINATORS**  
Dr. Dorothy Asch—Volunteer Lay Assistant  
Marsha Ackerman—Children and Youth Ministries

## Day School Leadership

Gina Panza—Head of School  
Eric Gregory Snow—Chaplain

**Board of Managers**  
Gina Panza—Head of School  
The Rev. Keri Aubert—President, Day School Corp.  
Jonathan Macey (Chair & PTO Rep)  
Tracey Meares (Treasurer & Member of the Parish)  
Gina Criscuolo (Secretary & PTO Rep)  
Mark Branch (Warden Rep)  
Frank Chang (Community Rep)  
The Rev. K. Dexter Cheney (Parish Rep)  
Lois DeLise (Community Rep)  
Don Edwards (Parish Rep)  
John Forrest (Alumni Rep)  
Michael Fournier (Vestry Rep)  
Jennifer McTiernan (Parish Rep)  
Greg Mokotoff (PTO Rep)  
Kenneth Paul (Community Rep)  
Kathryn Scherer (Parish Rep)

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## If you are new or visiting ...

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

**Education for all ages:** On most Sundays during the school year, education programs for all ages take place just before worship, from 9 to 10 A.M. All children are invited to attend Sunday School, which is offered for children from pre-K through grade 8. During that time, adult formation takes place in The Lounge. The Sunday bulletins and Weekly Parish Enews provide more information.

**Families with small children:** Two seating areas at the front of the church are reserved for families with small children: the area under the array of paper cranes (for children age 3 and under); and the area in front of the left side of the pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

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

**All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's Table in this Church.** Baptism into The Episcopal Church or another tradition is not required. There are usually two stations, located at the front corners of the altar, where you may receive Holy Communion. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each station. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the server at the center of the altar. Any shift in orientation will be explained during the announcements.

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

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

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about St. Thomas's? \_\_\_\_\_

### I would like to:

Speak to a clergy person

Receive parish emails

Have a permanent name tag

Explore becoming a member

Get involved with \_\_\_\_\_

Enroll my child(ren) in Sunday School

Learn about joining the Adult Choir

Enroll my child(ren) in the St. Thomas's Choristers (Junior Choir)