



ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 13, YEAR C

Service of Holy Eucharist

August 4, 2019 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 (located in the pew rack). You can use the form to request a nametag, and next Sunday it will be waiting for you on the table just inside the main church entrance.

To follow along with the service you need this service bulletin as well as two books in the pew rack: *The Book of Common Prayer* (RED) and *The Hymnal 1982* (BLUE).

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)** is in the Vesting Room, located opposite the red double doors at the front of the church.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each communion station; **non-alcoholic wine** is available from the chalice bearer at the center. Any difference will be explained during the announcements.

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Langsam

Robert Schumann (1810–1856), *Five Pieces in Folk Style*, Op. 102, No. 2, 1849

At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We the Lord's people (51, *The Hymnal 1982*)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

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

Presider: Lord, have mercy.
People: Christ, have mercy.
Presider: Lord, have mercy.
Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

HOSEA 11:1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107:1-9,43 *(said by all)*

Page 746, *The Book of Common Prayer*

THE SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were

living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove (510, *The Hymnal 1982*)

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 12:13-21

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Deacon: 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV Page 388, *The Book of Common Prayer*

THE CONFESSION Page 360, *The Book of Common Prayer*

THE PEACE Page 360, *The Book of Common Prayer*

*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 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 Christ is the world's true Light (542, *The Hymnal 1982*)

1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
 2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
 3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;

the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
 the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
 cast out our pride and shame that hin-der to en - throne thee;

new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
 when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
 the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;

free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
 to plough - share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
 to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Page 361, *The Book of Common Prayer*

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. Please proceed to the most conveniently located station to receive communion, and then return to your seat via a side aisle. Gluten-free bread is available at each station; non-alcoholic wine is available from the chalice bearer at the center. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION HYMN

Father, we thank thee (**302**, *The Hymnal 1982*)

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

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Page 365, *The Book of Common Prayer*

THE BLESSING

FINAL HYMN

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

DISMISSAL

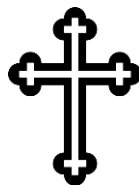
Page 366, *The Book of Common Prayer*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Un poco allegro

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750), from Trio Sonata no. 4 in E minor, BWV 528/3

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Announcements

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

Thank you... to today's guest cellist, Isabel Dunlap. Thank you, Isabel, for offering your musical gifts to the Church!

Keri is on vacation ... through August 18. Contact the Church Office for pastoral emergencies.

Come one, come all: Pickup Choir on Sunday, August 11!

All are welcome, rehearsal is at 9:00 a.m. This is a great way to explore singing with the choir, or to sing without the usually necessary Thursday rehearsal. Note that vestments will not be worn.

Liturgy Notes. We will continue to use *The Book of Common Prayer* and *The Hymnal* for the summer. Note that on August 18, we'll begin three weeks of using **Rite I**, the traditional-language Eucharistic liturgy in *The Book of Common Prayer*.

We're already seeing lots of newcomers and visitors on Sundays. St. Thomas's has long taken pride in its welcome - which is a good thing, because hospitality is important. This is something to which everyone can contribute. So please: wear your nametags; be ready to help during worship; extend a sign of Peace; and introduce yourself after worship.

Next Delight Night (Parish Potluck): Friday, September 6, 6 p.m. Because so many people are away, there will be NO Delight Night in August. Look for the festivities to return in September.

Save the Date: Startup Sunday and Bishops Visitation: September 8. Startup Sunday, September, is also the date of our official Bishop's Visitation. Bishop Laura Ahrens will be presiding and preaching as well as doing confirmation/reception/reaffirmation; the Choir will return. Look for more information to come.

Holy Baptism? The next "regular" dates for holy baptism are September 8 (Bishop's Visitation) and November 3 (All Saints' Sunday). If you're interested in holy baptism for yourself or your child, contact Keri.

If you're looking for a way to help immigrants at our nation's southern border ... you might consider donating to either Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center (which provides legal assistance to migrants on the border) or the Fronterizx Fianza Fund (which bonds people out of ICE custody). A parishioner got these suggestions from a friend who is an immigration attorney in El Paso. If you'd like to help immigrants closer to home, please consider donating to the Immigrant Bail Fund (which funds bail for Connecticut residents in immigration detention).

Update on Dorothy. Dorothy is still at Whitney Manor (2798 Whitney Avenue, Hamden 06518). Please consider staying in touch with visits, cards, or calls.

Education for All Ages is now on suspension for the summer. Look for our restart in September.

Sunday School Outreach. The Sunday School has been collecting coins for the Malawi Orphan Feeding Program. Keep those coin jars handy and start filling them up again. Thank you!

Summer Coffee Hour. Please use the link in the Enews to sign up for summer coffee hour, or use the sign-up sheet in the lounge, for the Sundays through September 1. Thank you for participating in this important ministry!

Loaves & Fishes: Through the summer, please bring **DRIED BEANS** and **TOILET PAPER**.

Our Little Free Library always needs books. Summertime traffic has been high. Just pop them in yourself.

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

Serving Today

Presider& Preacher: The Rev. Canon K. Dexter Cheney

Deacon: The Rev. April Alford-Harkey

Organist: Dr. Noah Horn

Cellist: Isabel Dunlap

Eucharistic Minister: Chris Martinez

Crucifer:

Lectors: Jesse Stricklan, Jocelyn Tidwell

Intercessor:

Vestry Host: Kyle Holton

Sacristans: Kyle Holton & Kids

Ushers: Greg D'Andrea, Gail Curran, Katie Coleman

Counters:

Coffee Hour Hosts: Elsa Ward, Ginger Savo

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially:

Bonnie, Dorothy, Drew, Dwight, Ginger, Greg, Imane, John, Katie, Marion

Pray for those who have died.

In the Episcopal Church in Connecticut Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

Good Shepherd, Shelton; St. Paul's, Shelton; St. Alban's, Simsbury; The Cathedral's ministry in Hartford; the Cathedral Chapter; honorary canons of the Cathedral

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:

the Church of the Province of South East Asia

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

Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea

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