

The Episcopal Church of St. Thomas the Apostle



The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 27, 2021

Our Mission Statement

Helping Hands – Healing Hearts

Welcome All



*are given to the glory of God, in celebration of
our marriage.*

Janet and Richard Elsea

Opening Voluntary

Three quiet pieces for Organ, By Herbert Howells

The Liturgy of the Word

The people stand when the bell is rung.

Entrance Hymn

Christ is made for sure foundation

Descant

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Opening Acclamation

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
 Amen.

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant says

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.*

The Gloria

The following is said, all standing

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his 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,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

The people sit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130



1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my / voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my / supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done a-/miss, *
O / Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with / you; *
there-/fore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for / him; *
in his / word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the / morning, *
more than watchmen / for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the / Lord, *
for with the Lord / there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous re-/demption, *
and he shall redeem Isra-/el from all their sins.

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6 – 10, 14 - 17

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

The Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jennifer Smith, Deacon

A time for silent reflection.

The Creed

All stand.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

Oh God, who loves us into the fullness of our being, we praise you for creating us in all our diversities of love and expression. Teach us, our leaders, and all members of your holy Church to love each other as you have loved us.

For those called out of closets and into the fullness of life, and for those who are not yet ready. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: Hear our transcending prayer.

For giving us the company of friends, companions, and families of choice. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: Hear our transcending prayer.

For teaching us that our truest self is a gift to be shared with one another, Your Church, and the world. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: Hear our transcending prayer.

For strengthening us to cope with misunderstanding, fear, and hatred. For helping us to break through bigotry in ourselves, our families, society, churches, and beyond. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: Hear our transcending prayer.

For enlightening us with dreams of holy impatience, and for raising up prophets among us to guide us into justice and peace. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: Hear our transcending prayer.

For those who are sick and suffering, in any way, shape or form; for all those who have gone before us, and who now live in the light of Your presence. For Thomas and all your saints who have challenged us and expanded our awareness of your scandalous, life-giving love. (Silence)

V: Oh God of many names and natures,

R: We give you thanks and praise!

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant 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.

The Priest stands and says

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. There is to be no physical touching – hug, handshakes, fist bumps, etc., - during the Peace. The Peace may be exchanged verbally or with a head nod, for example.

Announcements & Blessings

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please refer to the Doubter for current Birthdays.

Anniversary Prayer

Gracious God, we ask your blessing upon these your servants. Lead them further in companionship with each other and with you. Give them grace to live together in love and fidelity, with care for one another. Strengthen them all their days, and finally bring them to that holy table where, with those they love, they will feast for ever in their heavenly home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The First Song of Isaiah, Fred Owen, soloist

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

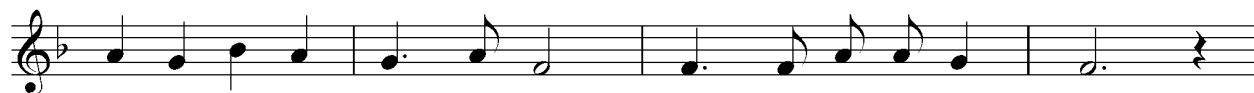
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Celebrant and People



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



Celebrant

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Communion Anthem

Draw us in the Spirit's Tether, Randy Lacy, Soloist

Charge to Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the Name of this congregation, I send you forth
bearing these holy gifts, that those whom you visit
may share with us in the communion of Christ's
Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, because we all
share one bread, one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer

All Stand.

Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

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.

Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,

1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

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