

# **The Episcopal Church of St. Thomas the Apostle**



## **The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**

October 31, 2021

**Our Mission Statement**

***Helping Hands – Healing Hearts***

***Welcome All***





*are given to the glory of God,  
in thanksgiving for*

*my husband Tom's birthday*

*and in remembrance of*

*my father, Bradley Prann*

*by Virginia Holleman*

## Opening Voluntary


*Berceuse* by Louis Vierne

*I* from *Three Church Preludes*, by A. E. Floyd

## The Liturgy of the Word

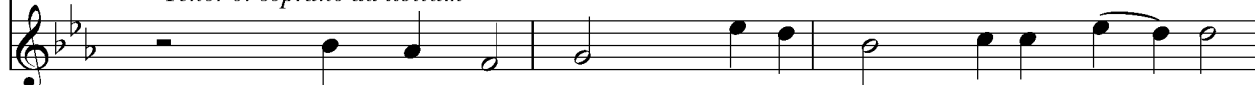
### Entrance Hymn

*King of glory, King of peace (general Seminary) (H 382)*



1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;  
2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;  
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

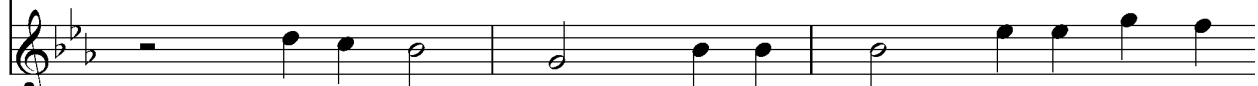
*Tenor or soprano ad libitum*



3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;



and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.  
and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.  
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.



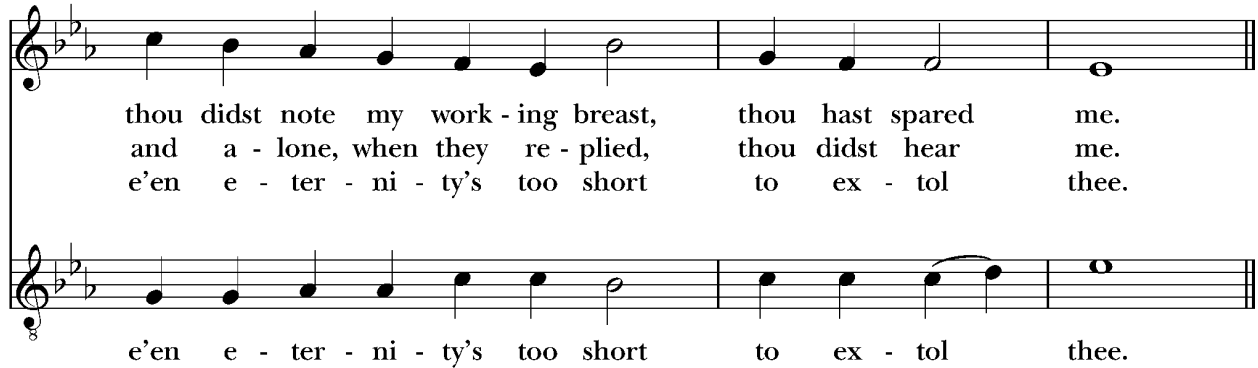
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Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;  
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;  
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;



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thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.  
 and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.  
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## 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.

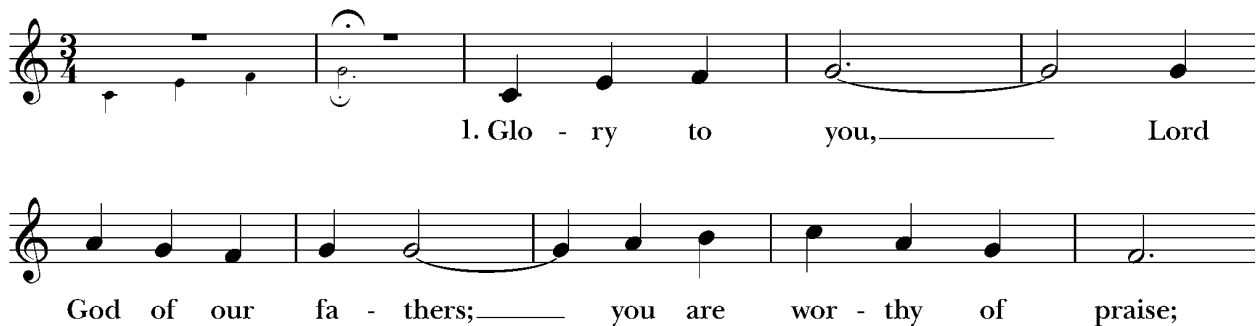
## Collect for Purity

*The People standing, 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 Canticle

*A Song of Praise (Canticle 13) (Rutter) Benedictus es. Domine*



1. Glo - ry to you, Lord

God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_

— for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; \_\_\_\_\_ we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; \_\_\_\_\_ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -  
5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of  
depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_  
you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will  
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high-ly ex - alt you Glo-ry to you!\_\_\_\_\_

high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.\_\_\_\_\_

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

*The people sit.*

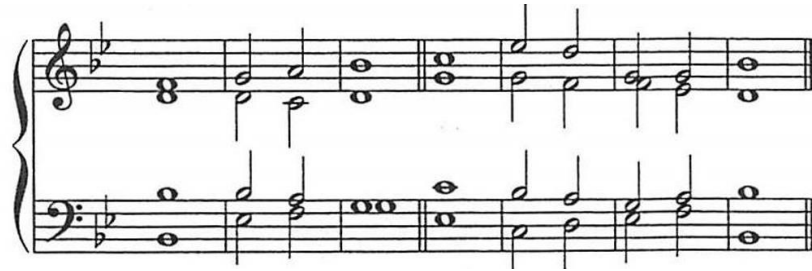
### First Reading: Ruth 1:1-18

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Response to the First Reading: Psalm 146





1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, | O my | soul! \*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my | God while I | have my | being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any | child of | earth, \*  
- | for there | is no | help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they re-|turn to | earth, \*  
and in that | day their | thoughts | perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of |  
Jacob for their | help! \*  
whose | hope is in the | Lord their | God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas,  
and | all that is | in them; \*  
who | keeps his | promise for | ever;

6 Who gives justice to | those who are op-|pressed, \*  
and | food to | those who | hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;  
the Lord opens the | eyes of the | blind; \*  
the Lord lifts up | those who are | böwed | down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous;  
the Lord | cares for the | stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but | frustrates the | way of the | wicked.

9 The Lord shall | reign for | ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all gene-| rations. | Halle-| lujah!

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 9:11-14

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

*All stand.*

**Sequence Hymn**

*God of the sparrow*

*Unison*

The musical score is written in 3/4 time. The treble clef staff begins with a G chord and a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. This is followed by a repeat sign and a unison section. The unison section consists of four measures with chords C, Em, Am, and Dm. The lyrics are: 1 God of the spar - row God of the whale, 2 God of the earth-quake God of the storm, 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross, 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick, 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe, 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand. The bass clef staff provides accompaniment with chords and a melodic line.

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale  
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4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick  
5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe  
6 God of the a - ges God near at hand

G C F E7 Am Em

God of the swirl - ing stars  
 God of the trum - pet blast  
 God of the emp - ty grave  
 God of the prod - i - gal  
 God of the prun - ing hook  
 God of the lov - ing heart

How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture cry  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How do your chil - dren say

F Em Am Dm 1-5 6  
 Gsus G C

Awe  
 Woe  
 Grace  
 Care  
 Love  
 Joy

How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture cry  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How does the crea - ture say  
 How do your chil - dren say

Praise  
 Save  
 Thanks  
 Life  
 Peace

Home

\*last time

**The Gospel:** Mark 12:28-34

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Homily**

The Rev. Stephen J. Waller

*Silence may be kept.*

## 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**

You are the perfect teacher, O God. Teach us to walk in your ways.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

You are worthy of our praise. Teach us to sing your praises and delight in your Word for our lives. Instruct us how to serve you.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

You are the perfect leader. Teach us to be attentive citizens of the world and support the efforts of peace, mindful of our responsibilities to the poor and suffering among us. We pray for our leaders.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

You are the perfect healer. Incline our hearts and hands toward compassionate service to those who ache from loneliness, those who hunger, those who suffer great pain.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

You show us perfect love. Teach us to love our neighbors, especially those with whom we struggle. Help us to mend our relationships with ourselves and with each other. Forgive us when we fail, and teach us to forgive the failures of others.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

We pray for those whose journey here has ended especially Jeffrey Foster, and all those we love. Bring them into the joys of your kingdom and perfect union with you.

You are the perfect teacher, O God. Teach us to walk in your ways.

(Silence)

**V:** Teach us to love you

**R:** *with all we are and all we do.*

*Silence may be kept.*

## **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**

*All stand.*

*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.*

## **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 Anthem

### 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

*Holy, holy, holy (Powell)(S129)*

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.\_\_\_\_\_



*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,

*People and Celebrant*

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

*Taste and See* (WLP 764)

Musical notation for the hymn 'Taste and See' in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is written on a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are: Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

*Healing Prayer available at the rear of the Nave.*

## Communion Hymn

*Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing* (*Alles ist an Gottes Segen*) (H 334)

Musical notation for the hymn 'Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing' in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is written on a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are: 1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de - 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly, 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -

vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!  
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;  
 lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -  
 by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,  
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in

rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.  
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.  
 ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

## 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 standing.*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant 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.

## **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

*Rise up, ye saints of God (Festal Song) (H 551)*

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give  
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long; Lord,  
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.  
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.  
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system contains three lines of lyrics. The second system contains three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Closing Voluntary

*Rise up, ye saints of God!* Setting by Wayne L. Wold



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