The Episcopal Church of St. Thomas the Apostle



The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 14, 2021

Our Mission Statement

Helping Hands – Healing Hearts

Welcome All



are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of

my father, Julius M. DeuFree,

by Joe DeuTree

Opening Voluntary

My soul hath desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord, By George Oldroyd

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Hymn

O day of radiant gladness (Es flog ein kleins Waldvogelein) (H 48)



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.

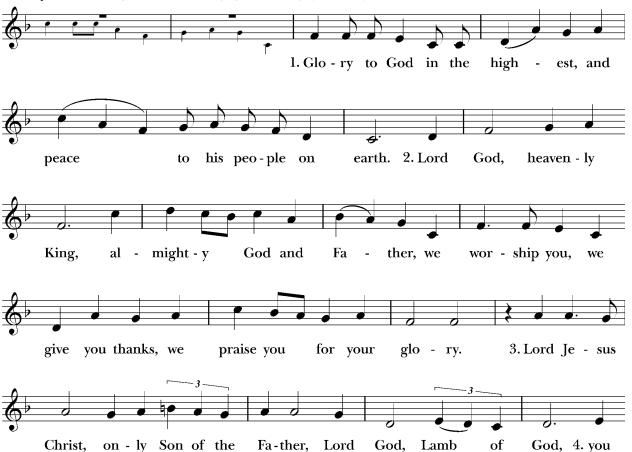
Collect for Purity

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 Gloria

Glory to God (canticle 20) (Powell)(S 280)







The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

The people sit.

First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:4-20

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Response to the First Reading: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hannah prayed and said,

"My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.

"There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.

The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

The Lord makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world.

"He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.

The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven.

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25

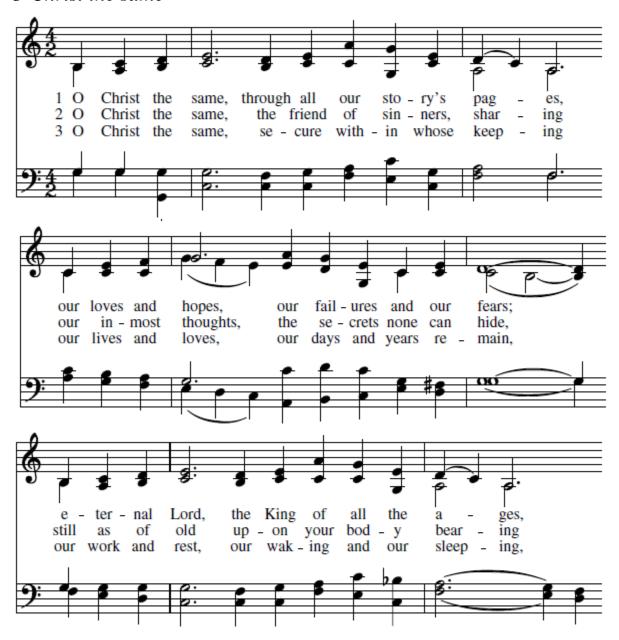
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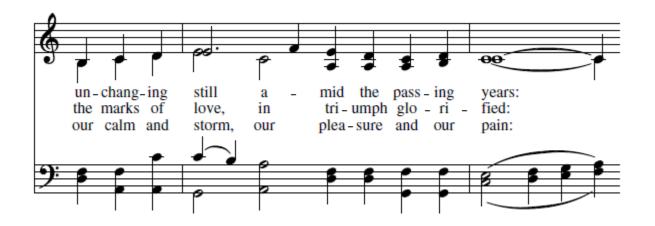
People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

O Christ the same





The Gospel: Mark 13: 1 -8

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Sandi Michels

Silence may be kept.

We believe in one God,

The Creed

All stand.

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

Walk before and beside us into your future, loving and gracious God. Make us agents of healing, teachers of love, bearers of good news. Make us a blessing to those around us in your name. (Silence)

V: Lord of love,

R: Hear our prayer.

We praise you for the examples of faithfulness throughout history and for surrounding us on every side with encouragement. Make us an example of faithfulness to those around us in your name. (Silence)

V: Lord of love,

R: Hear our prayer.

We ask that your church be infused with a renewed send of your mission, with a greater devotion to you and affection for each other. Send us into the world where we are most needed, with the good news for which your world is desperate. Keep us from distraction, and spare us, O Lord, from numbing inertia.

(Silence)

V: Lord of love,

R: Hear our prayer.

We ask that those in governing positions around the globe be honest and seek the best for those they govern. We pray for legislators and judges, for the electorate. We pray for encouragement for those who are intent on doing the right thing in the face of difficult odds. We pray for our president.

(Silence)

V: Lord of love,

R: Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for medical personnel and those providing background support of medical teams. Bless those who give comfort to the sick and dying. We lift before you those who are ill and hopeful for your healing. We pray for those who have died, that they may be welcomed into the new life you have prepared for them in eternity.

(*Silence*) V: Lord of love,

R: Hear our prayer.

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.

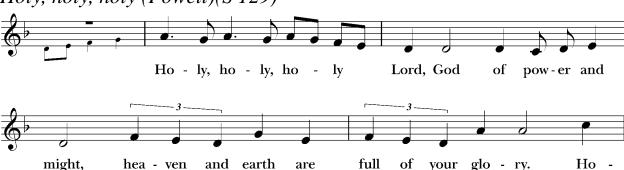
People We lift them to the Lord.

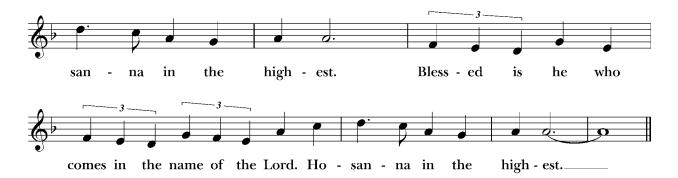
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy (Powell)(S 129)





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,

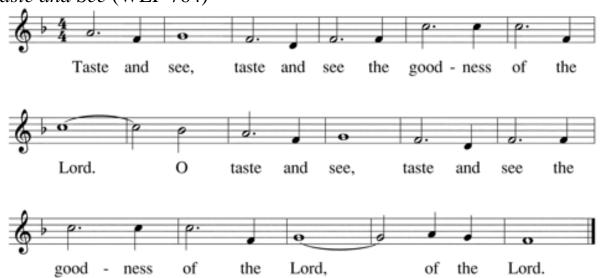
and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

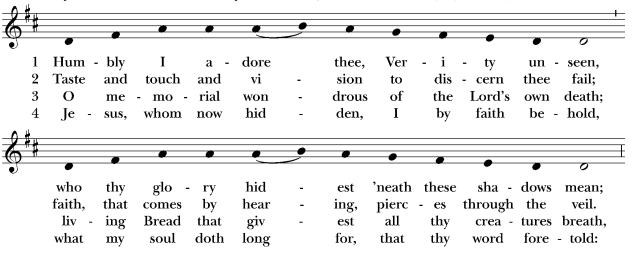
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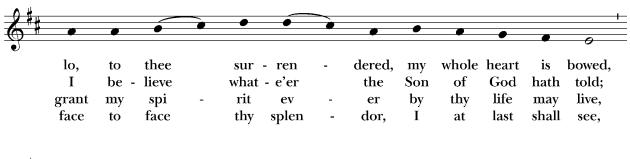


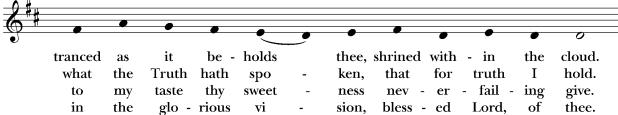
Healing Prayer available at the rear of the Nave.

Communion Hymn

Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen (Adoro devote) (H 314)







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

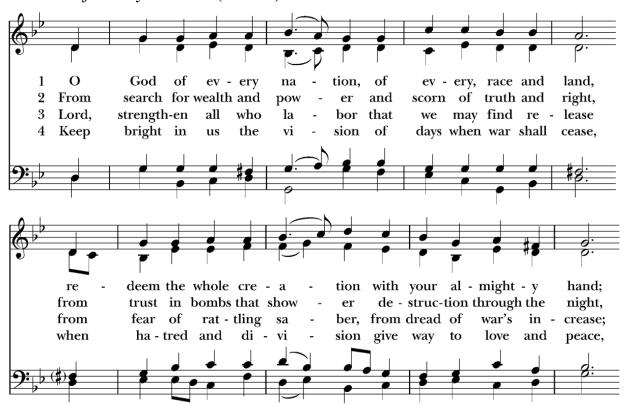
with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

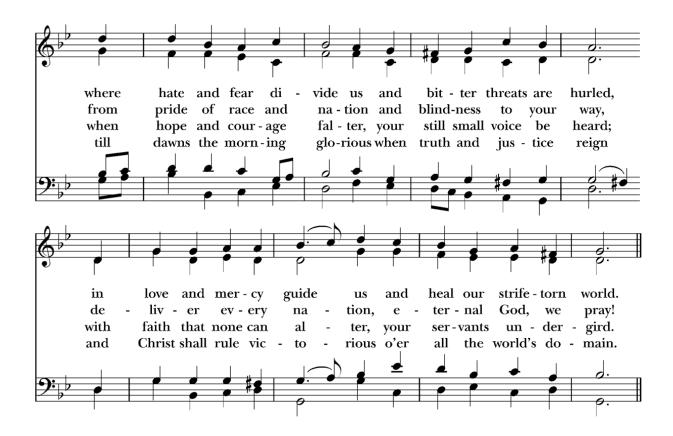
Blessing

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

Oh God of Every Nation (H 607)





Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

Invocation #1, by Denis Bédard

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