

The Episcopal Church of St. Thomas the Apostle



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 16, 2022

Our Mission Statement

Helping Hands – Healing Hearts

Welcome All

Opening Voluntary

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy glorious, and undivided
Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, 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

All glory be to God on high,
and peace on earth from heaven,
and God's good will unfailingly
be to all people given.

We bless, we worship you, we raise
for your great glory thanks and praise,
O God, Almighty Father.

O Lamb of God, Lord Jesus Christ,
whom God the Father gave us,
who for the world was sacrificed
upon the cross to save us;
and, as you sit at God's right hand
and we for judgment there must stand,

have mercy, Lord, upon us.

You only are the Holy One,
who came for our salvation,
and only you are God's true Son,
who was before creation.
You only, Christ, as Lord we own and,
with the Spirit, you alone
share in the Father's glory.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

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

The Response: Psalm 36: 5-10

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O LORD.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.

¹⁰Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

The Gospel: John 2: 1-11

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Christopher Blake Thomas

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

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; George and Wayne, our bishops; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love,

All Hear our prayers for the Church.

Reader God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,

All Hear our prayers for the world.

Reader God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its

resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of justice,

All **Hear our prayers for the earth.**

Reader God of peace, we pray for this community:
For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

God of peace,

All **Hear our prayers for this community.**

Reader God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

God of mercy,

All **Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

Reader God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for

all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace,

All **Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

(You are invited to add prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings.)

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. There is to be no physical touching – hugs, 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 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 Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for
us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Healing Prayer available at the rear of the Nave.

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

May almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to
find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, to your pilgrimage,
to find the Lord. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his
baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on your who have come
to the waters of new birth. *Amen.*

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast
at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

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