

Saint Thomas's Church
The Eleventh Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, August 20, 2023
Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



Sermon on the Mount, Henrik Olrik, c. 1860
Altar piece of St. Matthews Church
Copenhagen, Denmark

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.

If you would like to make a memorial or thanksgiving offering towards the flowers, please see the dates available in the Parish Notices



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Officiant: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Director of Music: Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY


Salve Regina, John Bull (1562-1628)

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

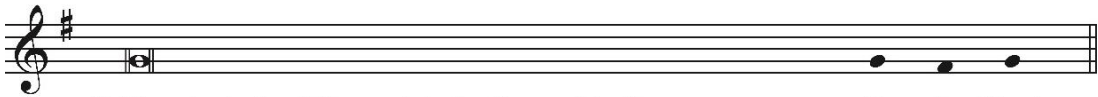
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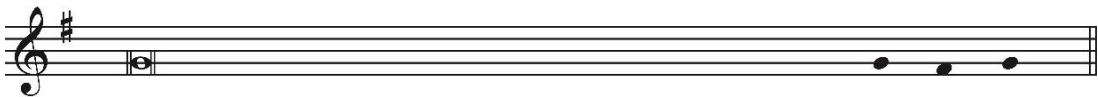
∇. O Lord, open thou our lips; R̄. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.



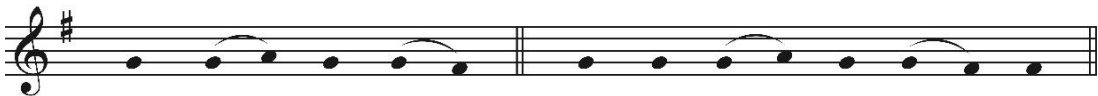
∇. O God, make speed to save us; R̄. O Lord, make haste to help us.



∇. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost.



R̄. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.



∇. Praise ye — the Lord; — R̄. The Lord's name — be prais - ed.

The People sit when the officiant sits.

PSALM 68

Exurgat Deus.
V. 1.



- Cantor* 1 LET GOD arise, and let his enemies be **scat-ter**^{ed} :
People let them also that hate him **flee** be-fore him.
- 2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them a-**way** :
and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish
at the **pre**-sence of God.
- Cantor* 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before **God** :
let them also be mer-**ry** and joy-ful.
- People* 4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his **Name** :
magnify him that rideth upon the heavens; praise him in his Name
JAH, and re-**joyce** be-fore him.
- Cantor* 5 He is a father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the **wi**-dows :
even God in his holy **hab**-i-ta-tion.
- People* 6 He is the God that giveth the desolate a home to dwell in, and bringeth
the prisoners out of cap-**tiv**-i-ty : but the rebellious **dwel**l in scarce-ness.
- Cantor* 7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy **peo**-ple :
when thou wentest **through** the wil-der-^{ness},
- People* 8 The earth shook, and the heavens pour-ed down rain at the presence of
God : Sinai also quak-ed at the presence of God,
who is the **God** of Is-ra^{el}.
- Cantor* 9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine in-**he**-ri-^{tance} :
and refreshedst it when **it** was wea-ry.
- People* 10 Thy congregation dwelt there-**in** :
for thou, O God, of thy goodness didst pro-**vide** for the poor.
- Cantor* 11 The Lord gave the **word** :
and great was the host of the women that publish-**ed** the ti-dings:
- People* 12 'Kings with their armies do flee, lo, they **flee** :
and she that tarrieth at home di-**vi**-deth the spoil.
- Cantor* 13 Though ye may lie among the sheep-folds, the wings of a dove are
cover-ed with **sil**-ver : and her pin-**ions** with yel-low^{gold}.
- People* 14 When the Almighty scatter-ed kings there-**in** :
then snow **fell** on Sal-mon.'

- Cantor* 15 The hill of Bashan is a **migh**-ty[^]hill :
even an high hill is the **hill** of Ba-shan.
- People* 16 Why look ye askance, ye high hills, at the hill which God hath desir-ed
for his a-**bode**? : yea, the Lord will abide in **it** for ev-er.
- Cantor* 17 The chariots of God are ten thousands, yea,
even thousands upon **thou**-sands :
and the Lord is among them, as in the holy **place** of Si-nai.
- People* 18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive,
and receiv-ed gifts among **men** :
yea, even among the rebellious, that the Lord **God**
might dwell with[^]them.
- Cantor* 19 Bless-ed be the Lord, who daily beareth our **burd**-en :
even the God who is **our** sal-va-tion.
- People* 20 He is our God, even the God of whom cometh de-**liv**-er[^]ance :
and God is the Lord by whom **we** es-cape death.
- Cantor* 21 It is well seen, O God, how thou **go**-est :
how thou, my God and King, goest into the **sanc**-tu-a-ry.
- People* 22 The singers go before, the minstrels follow **af**-ter :
in the midst are the damsels playing **with** the tim-brels:
- Cantor* 23 'Bless ye God in the congre-**ga**-tions :
even the Lord, ye that are of the foun-**tain** of Is-ra[^]el.'
- People* 24 There is little Benjamin their ruler, the princes of Judah
and their **com**-pa[^]ny : the princes of Zebulun,
and the prin-**ces** of Naph-ta[^]li.
- Cantor* 25 O God, put forth thy **strength** :
stablish the thing, O God, that **thou** hast wrought for[^]us.
- People* 26 For thy temple's sake at Je-**ru**-sa[^]lem :
kings shall bring **pres**-ents un-to[^]thee.
- Cantor* 27 Rebuke the wild beast of the reeds, the herd of bulls with the calves of
the peo-ple^s, trampling under foot the pieces of **sil**-ver :
scatter thou the peoples **that** de-light in[^]war.
- People* 28 Then shall the princes come out of **E**-gypt :
Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her **hands** un-to God.
- Cantor* 29 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the **earth** :
O sing praises **un**-to the Lord;
- People* 30 Who rideth in the high heavens, which are of **old** :
lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and **that** a migh-ty[^]voice.



Cantor 31 Ascribe ye the power to Gōd; his majesty is over **Is-ra-ēl** :
and his **strength** is in the clouds.

People 32 O God, terrible art thou in thy holy **pla-ces** :
even the God of Israel; he giveth strength and power unto his people.
Bless-ed be God.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son** : and **to** the Ho-ly Ghost;

People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** end. A-men.

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 5.1-19

The First Lesson is written in the book of the prophet Jeremiah, in the fifth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, look around and take note! Search its squares and see if you can find one person who acts justly and seeks truth— so that I may pardon Jerusalem. Although they say, ‘As the Lord lives’, yet they swear falsely. O Lord, do your eyes not look for truth? You have struck them, but they felt no anguish; you have consumed them, but they refused to take correction. They have made their faces harder than rock, they have refused to turn back. Then I said, ‘These are only the poor, they have no sense; for they do not know the way of the Lord, the law of their God. Let me go to the rich and speak to them; surely they know the way of the Lord, the law of their God.’ But they all alike had broken the yoke, they had burst the bonds.

Therefore a lion from the forest shall kill them, a wolf from the desert shall destroy them. A leopard is watching against their cities; everyone who goes out of them shall be torn in pieces—because their transgressions are many, their apostasies are great. How can I pardon you? Your children have forsaken me, and have sworn by those who are no gods. When I fed them to the full they committed adultery and trooped to the houses of prostitutes. They were well-fed lusty stallions, each neighing for his neighbour’s wife. Shall I not punish them for these things? says the Lord; and shall I not bring retribution on a nation such as this? Go up through her vine-rows and destroy, but do not make a full end; strip away her branches, for they are not the Lord’s. For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have been utterly faithless to me, says the Lord.

They have spoken falsely of the Lord, and have said, 'He will do nothing. No evil will come upon us, and we shall not see sword or famine.' The prophets are nothing but wind, for the word is not in them. Thus shall it be done to them! Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of hosts: Because they have spoken this word, I am now making my words in your mouth a fire, and this people wood, and the fire shall devour them. I am going to bring upon you a nation from far away, O house of Israel, says the Lord. It is an enduring nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language you do not know, nor can you understand what they say. Their quiver is like an open tomb; all of them are mighty warriors. They shall eat up your harvest and your food; they shall eat up your sons and your daughters; they shall eat up your flocks and your herds; they shall eat up your vines and your fig trees; they shall destroy with the sword your fortified cities in which you trust. But even in those days, says the Lord, I will not make a full end of you. And when your people say, 'Why has the Lord our God done all these things to us?' you shall say to them, 'As you have forsaken me and served foreign gods in your land, so you shall serve strangers in a land that is not yours.'

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People stand.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Frank Nakashima (b. 1951)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, / and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; /
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; /
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON Matthew 4.23-5.20

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, in the fourth chapter, beginning at the twenty third verse.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ‘Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one

letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, Frank Nakashima

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, /
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

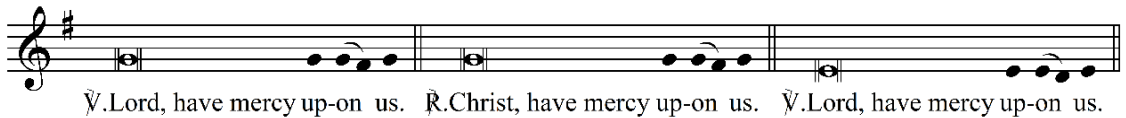
I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



The People kneel.

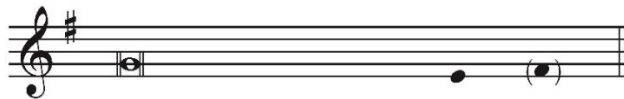


THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

Our Father
who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE RESPONSES



V. O Lord, show thy mercy up-**on** us;

R. And grant us thy salva-**tion**.

V. O Lord, save **the** King,

R. And mercifully hear us when we call up-**on** thee.

V. Endue thy ministers with righ-**teous**ness.

R. And make thy chosen people joy-**ful**.

V. O Lord, save thy peo-**ple**.

R. And bless thine inhe-**ri**tance.

V. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;

R. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

V. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

ANTHEM ‘I beheld her, beautiful as a dove,’ Healey Willan (1880-1968)

I beheld her, beautiful as a dove, rising above the waterbrooks; and her raiment was filled with perfume beyond all price. Even as the springtime was she girded with rosebuds and lilies of the valley. Who is this that cometh up from the desert like a wreath of sweet smoke arising from frankincense and myrrh?

The People sit.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Officiant says selected prayers, following which all say the General Thanksgiving.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Amen.

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13.14

The People stand.

HYMN - Gracious Lady, you are blest



The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first two phrases of the hymn. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff contains the final phrase 'Hail Mary' with a long note for 'Hail' and a dotted note for 'Mary'. The lyrics 'Hail Ma - ry, Hail Ma - ry, Hail Ma - ry.' are written below the notes.

All 1 Gracious Lady, you are blest with God's favour;
In your womb all hopes shall rest - this world's Saviour;
He shall save the world from sin, as the kingdom's ushered in.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

Upper 2 Can it be I am God's choice? (Lowly maiden)?
Voices How can God's Word use my voice to proclaim Him?
Can the great God stoop to me: that the world His grace may see?
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

Lower 3 Blessed Mother you shall be; God's own dwelling;
Voices You, the rose whose sanctity, sweetly smelling
Shall create the space on earth, for God's Son to come to birth.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

Upper 4 Let it be then as you say; God me raises!
Voices Let me now and every day, learn His praises.
May the 'Yes' that I have giv'n be a pathway into heav'n.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

Lower 5 Gracious Lady, your Amen is your blessing;
Voices Your obedience, now as then love confessing.
And that Love will you sustain, through the time of trial and pain.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

All 6 Mary, Mother of the Lord, God once called you
To bring forth His holy Word, that enthralled you,
May I too wait patiently for God's will to form in me.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary.

CHISLEHURST
Sydney Nicholson (1875-1974)

Jeremy Davies, former Precentor, Salisbury Cathedral

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

ADORATION

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

ÆTERNA CHRISTI MUNERA

5 O Saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below:
Our foes press on from every side;
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

6 All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, Blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

MOTET

'Fair in face,' Healey Willan

Fair in face, but fairer far in thy faith, blessed art Thou, O Virgin Mary; despising the world, thou shalt rejoice with the angels; Pray thou for us all. O holy and spotless maidenhood, I wot not how to praise thee. Pray thou for us all.

(8th century Office of our Lady Responsory.)

TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

PICARDY

- 5 Therefore we, before him bending,
this great sacrament revere:
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes our inward vision clear.
- 6 Glory let us give and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
honour, might, and praise addressing,
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who, from both, with both is One. Amen.

The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

Thou gavest them Bread from hea-ven;
Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

Cantor

People



O PRÄISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yë peo-ples.
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us :
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ër. Praise the[^]Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** the[^]Ho-ly[^]Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** ënd. A-men.

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People remain kneeling as the Sacrement is carried to the Lady Altar and reposed.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

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