## Saint Thomas's Church

## The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity Sunday, August 22, 2021

on Zoom

# Evensong at 4:00 pm followed by Coffee Hour



Jeremiah with Two Angels, Gherardo Starnina, c. 1354 Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

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PRELUDE: O Gott, du frommer Gott, Johannes Brahms

## HYMN 34 – O Gladsome Light, O Grace

- 1 O Gladsome Light, O Grace Of God the Father's face The eternal splendour wearing; Celestial, holy, blest, Our Saviour Jesus Christ, Joyful in thine appearing.
- 2 Now, ere day fadeth quite, We see the evening light, Our wonted hymn outpouring; Father of might unknown, Thee, his incarnate Son, And Holy Ghost adoring.
- 3 To thee of right belongs
  All praise of holy songs,
  O son of God, Lifegiver;
  Thee, therefore, O Most High,
  The world doth glorify,
  And shall exalt for ever.

NUNC DIMITTIS
Composed or adapted by Louis Bourgeois in 1549

Greek Hymn, c. 3<sup>rd</sup> cent. Tr by Robert Bridges in Yattendon Hymnal, 1899

*V* / O Lord, open thou our lips;

R / And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
V / O God, make speed to save us;

R / O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

V / Praise ye the Lord;R / The Lord's Name be praised.

## PSALM 71, Tone III, 2

- 1 In thee O LORD have I put my trust; / let me never be put to confusion.
- 2 Deliver me and rescue me in thy righteousness: / incline thine ear unto me and save me.
- 3 Be thou my stronghold, whereunto I may alway resort; / thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my rock and my castle.
- 4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly, / out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- 5 For thou, O Lord, art the thing that I long for: / thou, LORD, art my trust, even from my youth.
- 6 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: / thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.
- 7 I am become as it were a wonder unto many, / but my sure trust is in thee.
- 8 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise, / and with thy glory all the day long.
- 9 Cast me not away in the time of age: / forsake me not when my strength faileth me.
- 10 For mine enemies speak concerning me; / and they that watch for my soul take their counsel together,
- 11 Saying, 'God hath forsaken him; / pursue him and take him, for there is none to deliver him.'
- 12 Go not far from me, O God: / O my God, haste thee to help me.
- 13 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul: / let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.
- 14 As for me, I will patiently abide alway, / and will praise thee more and more.
- 15 My mouth shall tell of thy righteousness, and of thy salvation all the day long; / for I know no end thereof.
- 16 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God, / and will make mention of thy righteousness only.
- 17 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth, / and even until now do I tell of thy wondrous works.
- 18 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed, / until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

- 19 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, / and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee?
- 20 O how many and sore troubles hast thou showed me! yet wilt thou turn and refresh me: / yea, thou wilt bring me up from the depths of the earth again.
- 21 Thou wilt bring me to great honour, / and turn again and comfort me.
- 22 I also will praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music: / unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.
- 23 My lips will rejoice when I sing unto thee: / and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.
- 24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long; / for they are confounded and brought to shame that seek to do me evil.

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.

## FIRST LESSON – Jeremiah 7.1-16

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

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Stand in the gate of the LORD's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all you men of Judah who enter these gates to worship the LORD. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will let you dwell in this place. Do not trust in these deceptive words: "This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD." "For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly execute justice one with another, if you do not oppress the alien, the fatherless or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own hurt, then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers for ever. "Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, burn incense to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, 'We are delivered!'—only to go on

doing all these abominations? Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, says the LORD. Go now to my place that was in Shiloh, where I made my name dwell at first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. And now, because you have done all these things, says the LORD, and when I spoke to you persistently you did not listen, and when I called you, you did not answer, therefore I will do to the house which is called by my name, and in which you trust, and to the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I did to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I cast out all your kinsmen, all the offspring of Ephraim. "As for you, do not pray for this people, or lift up cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with me, for I do not hear you."

Here endeth the First Lesson.

## THE MAGNIFICAT

Canticles, Tone V, 3

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.

## **SECOND LESSON** – Matthew 5.21-end

The Second Lesson is written in the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to St Matthew, beginning at the twenty-first verse.

"You have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not kill; and whoever kills shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that every one who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother shall be liable to the council, and whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Make friends quickly with your accuser, while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison; truly, I say to you, you will never get out till you have paid the last penny. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that every one who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and throw it away; it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell. "It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that every one who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, makes her an adulteress; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. "Again you have heard that it was said to the men of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil. "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist one who is evil. But if any one strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if any one would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well; and if any one forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to him who begs from you, and do not refuse him who would borrow from you. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and

hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you salute only your brethren, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

#### **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Canticles, Tone III, 1

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**

I believe in God

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.

V / The Lord be with you;
R / And with thy spirit.
V / Let us pray.
V / Lord, have mercy upon us.
R / Christ, have mercy upon us.
V / Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## 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.

*Priest*: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: And grant us thy salvation.

Priest: O Lord, save the Queen;

People: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People: And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Priest*: O Lord, save thy people;

People: And bless thine inheritance.

Priest: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People: And evermore mightily defend us.

Priest: O God, make clean our hearts within us;

People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, 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**.

#### **PRAYERS**

(the General Thanksgiving may be said)

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