

# Saint Thomas's Church

**Trinity XI**

**Sunday, August 28, 2022**

**Sung Mass at 9:30 am**



The Lowest Places at the Feast, Nelly Bube, Kazakhstan

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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

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. Please inform the greeters prior to the start of the service if you require one. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*



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

*Those at the High Altar in loving memory of Carmen and Lionel Hendrickson.*

**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Ipema  
**Reader:** Michael Rowland  
**Interim Organist & Director of Music:** Elizabeth Anderson

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**GREEN STAGE PROVISOS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE**

*The Diocese of Toronto has now entered the Green Stage, leaving all policies to the parishes. Masks, preferably N95 or KN95, are recommended but optional. Please join in heartily in our congregational singing.*

*Though distancing is no longer a requirement, please inquire of your nearest neighbours to ensure that all are comfortable and accommodated.*

**MUSIC OF THE MASS:** Community Mass, *Richard Proulx*

**PRELUDE:** Chorale Prelude on 'Liebster Jesu', BWV 731, *J. S. Bach*

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 choir and people sing:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Community Mass, *Richard Proulx*

Organ

*f* Congregation

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord

God, heav-en-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa-ther, We

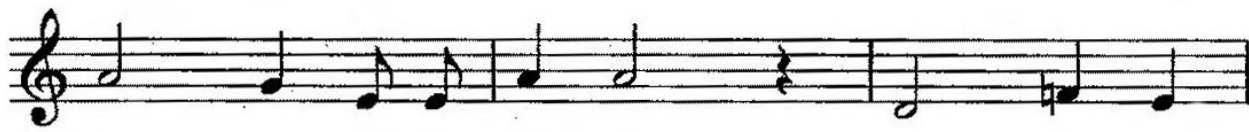
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

*p*

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa ther,—

Lord God,— Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world: have mer-cy on us; You are— seat-ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther:\_\_\_\_\_ re - ceive our



pray'r,\_\_\_\_\_ re - ceive,\_\_\_\_\_ re - ceive\_ our pray'r.

organ *f* All



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a- lone\_\_\_ are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly



Spi - rit in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A -



men. A - men.\_\_\_\_\_

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us in all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** Proverbs 25.6-7

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

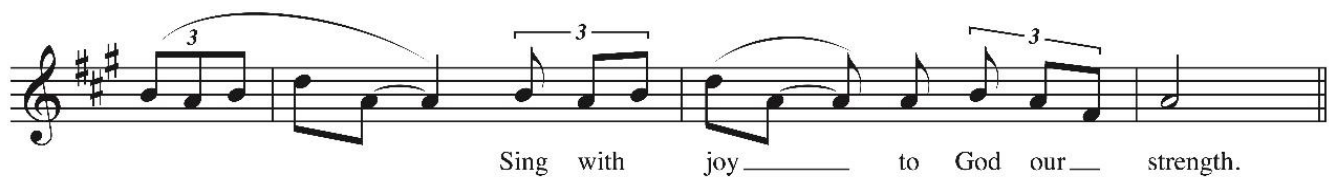
Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, 'Come up here', than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir and People sing the response:*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 81.1,10-16**



*Response:* **Sing with joy to God our strength.**

Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it." **R/.**

And yet my people did not hear my voice, and Israel would not obey me. So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, to follow their own devices. **R/.**

Oh, that my people would listen to me! that Israel would walk in my ways! I should soon subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes. **R/.**

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, and their punishment would last for ever. But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat and satisfy him with honey from the rock. **R/.**

## **SECOND READING:** Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16

A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand. The choir will sing the first three Alleluias, followed by the people; a cantor will sing the verse and then all sing the final three Alleluias.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL:** Luke 14.1, 7-14

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of

you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place”, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’ He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The People sit.*

## **SERMON**

*After the Sermon, the People remain seated for a period of silent reflection, standing when the Celebrant stands.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**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: *(Bow.)* by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. *(Rise.)***

**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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 People remain standing.*

## **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Diocesan prayer cycle, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.  
*(Silence.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide us in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, and we give thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present with us in person or via livestream; our newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_, [We give thanks especially for \_\_\_\_\_.] May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering in mind, body, or estate due to the ongoing pandemic; for victims of warfare and violence; for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for\_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Life-giving God, heal our lives, that we may acknowledge your wonderful deeds and offer you thanks from generation to generation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **INVITATION, CONFESSION, & ABSOLUTION**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*The People bow or kneel. Silence is kept.*

**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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The People remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN 492 – To the Name of our salvation

- 1 To the Name of our salvation  
Laud and honour let us pay,  
Which for many a generation  
Hid in God's foreknowledge lay,  
But with holy exultation  
We may sing aloud to-day.
- 2 Jesus is the Name we treasure,  
Name beyond what words can tell;  
Name of gladness, Name of pleasure,  
Ear and heart delighting well;  
Name of sweetness passing measure,  
Saving us from sin and hell.
- 3 'Tis the Name for adoration,  
Name for songs of victory,  
Name for holy meditation  
In this vale of misery,  
Name for joyful veneration  
By the citizens on high.
- 4 'Tis the Name that whoso preacheth  
Speaks like music to the ear;  
Who in prayer this Name beseecheth  
Sweetest comfort findeth near;  
Who its perfect wisdom reacheth  
Heavenly joy possesseth here.

5 Jesus is the Name exalted  
Over every other name;  
In this Name, whene'er assaulted,  
We can put our foes to shame;  
Strength to them who else had halted,  
Eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

6 Therefore we in love adoring  
This most blessed Name revere,  
Holy Jesu, thee imploring  
So to write it in us here,  
That hereafter heavenward soaring  
We may sing with angels there.

*ORIEL*  
*C. Ett, Cantica Sacra, 1840*

*Tr. (1851) from the Nevers Breviary (1727) by Re. John M. Neale*

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Merciful God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 our thanks and praise.

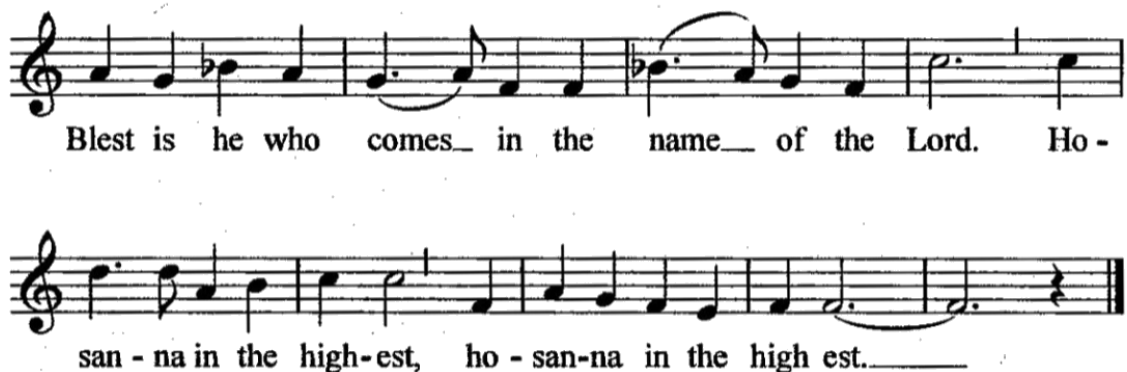
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*The People and Choir sing,*

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Organ *mf* Congregation

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.



*The People remain standing.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

**We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

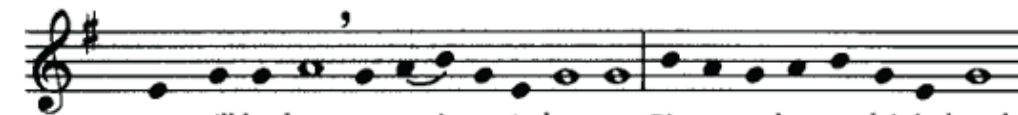


*Celebrant* As our Sa-viour taught us, let us pray,

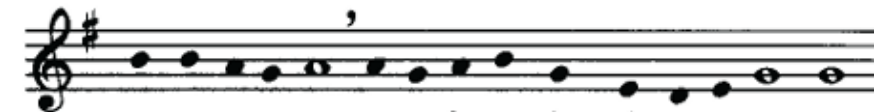
*Music by McNeil Robinson*



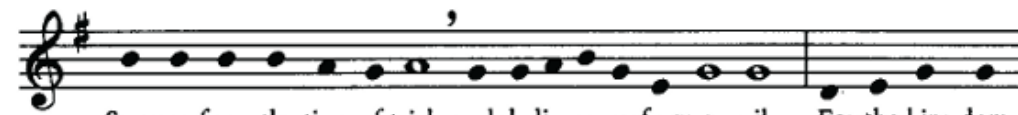
*All* Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir alone sings,*

### AGNUS DEI



*mp*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world:  
grant us \_\_\_\_\_ peace.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 2/4 time. It begins with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a dynamic marking of *mp*. The melody consists of several phrases corresponding to the lyrics. The first phrase is "Lamb of God, you take a-way the", followed by "sins of the world: have mer - cy on us." The second phrase is "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world:", and the final phrase is "grant us \_\_\_\_\_ peace." The score ends with a double bar line.

### COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*



## MOTET

'If ye love me', *William Byrd*

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you for ever, even the spirit of truth. (John 14.15-17)

## COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

## ANIMA CHRISTI

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesu, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come to thee,  
That with thy saints I may praise thee,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus 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.**

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CONCLUDING HYMN 5 – Christ, whose glory fills the skies

- 1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of righteousness, arise,  
Triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Day-spring from on high, be near;  
Day-star, in my heart appear.
- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn  
Unaccompanied by thee;  
Joyless is the day's return,  
Till thy mercy's beams I see;  
Till they inward light impart,  
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- 3 Visit then this soul of mine,  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
Fill me, Radiancy Divine,  
Scatter all my unbelief;  
More and more thyself display,  
Shining to the perfect day.

*RATISBON  
WERNER'S CHORALBUCH, 1815*

*REV. CHARLES WESLEY, 1740*

**POSTLUDE:** Prelude in C major, BWV 545, *J. S. Bach*

*The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.*