

Saint Thomas's Church
The Second Evensong
of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday, August 6, 2023
Evensong & Benediction at 5:00 pm



The Transfiguration, Icon by Theophanes the Greek, c. 1405
Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow

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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:

Those at the High Altar in loving memory of Teresa Tiee-Mei Nee, by the Nee Family.

and

*Those at the Lady Altar in loving memory of Barbara Coverdale-McIntyre
and John McIntyre from their children Meredith, Sean and Audrey.*



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Officiant: Fr. James Shire
Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Director of Music: Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

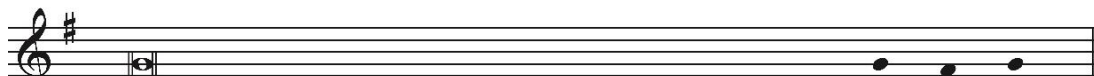
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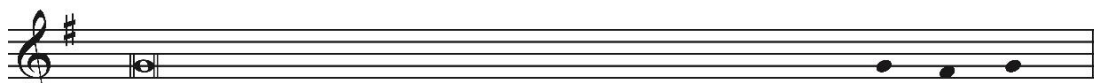
∿. O Lord, open thou our lips; ℞. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.




∿. O God, make speed to save us; ℞. O Lord, make haste to help us.



∿. 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 without end. A - men.



∿. Praise ye — the Lord; — ℞. The Lord's name — be prais - ed.

The People sit when the officiant sits.

PSALM 27

Dominus illuminatio.

V. 3.



- Cantor* 1 THE LORD is my light and my salva-tion; whom then shall I **fear**? :
People the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then **shall** I be a-fraid?
2 When the wicked came upon me to eat up my **flesh** :
even mine enemies and my foes, they **stum**-bled and fell.
Cantor 3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart
be a-**fraid** : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I **put**
my trust in-him.
People 4 One thing have I desir-ed of the Lord, which I will re-**quire** : even
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to
behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to vi-**sit** his tem-ple.
Cantor 5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his taber-**na**-cle :
yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me
up up-**on** a rock of-stone.
People 6 And now shall my head be lifted **up** :
above mine enemies **round** a-bout me.
Cantor 7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great **glad**-ness :
I will sing, and speak praises **un**-to the Lord.
People 8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto **thee** :
have mercy upon **me** and hear me.
Cantor 9 My heart hath talk-ed with thee: 'Seek ye my **face**' :
'Thy face, **Lord**, will I seek.'
People 10 O hide not thy face from **me** :
nor cast thy servant away **in** dis-plea-sure.
Cantor 11 Thou hast been my **suc**-cour :
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of **my** sal-va-tion.
People 12 When my father and my mother for-**sake** me :
the Lord **ta**-keth me up.
Cantor 13 Teach me thy way, O **Lord** :
and lead me in the right way, because **of** mine en-e-mies.
People 14 Deliver me not over into the will of mine adver-**sa**-ries : for there are
false witnesses risen up against me, and **such** as speak wrong.

Cantor 15 I believe that I shall see the goodness of the **Lord**:
in the land **of** the liv-ing.

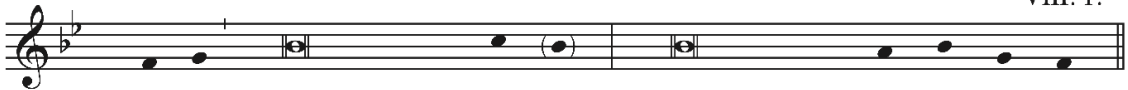
People 16 O tarry thou the Lord's **lei**-sure :
be strong, and let thy heart take courage, and **wait** up-on the [^]Lord.

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.

PSALM 93

Dominus regnavit.

VIII. 1.



Cantor 1 THE LORD is King, and hath put on glorious ap-**pa**-rel :
People the Lord hath put on his apparel, and gird-**ed** him-self with [^]strength.

2 He hath made the round world so **sure** : that it can-**not** be mov-ed.

Cantor 3 Ever since the world began hath thy throne been es-**tab**-lish-ed :
thou art from **ev**-er-last-ing.

People 4 The floods have lift up, O Lord, the floods have lift up their **voice** :
the **floods** lift up their [^]waves.

Cantor 5 Mightier than the roar of many waters, mightier than the breakers of
the **sea** : the Lord, who dwelleth on **high**, is migh-ty.

People 6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very **sure** :
holiness becometh thine **house** for ev-er.

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 Ecclesiasticus 48.1-16

The First Lesson is written in the book of Ecclesiasticus, in the forty eighth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Then Elijah arose, a prophet like fire, and his word burned like a torch. He brought a famine upon them, and by his zeal he made them few in number. By the word of the Lord he shut up the heavens, and also three times brought down fire. How glorious you were, Elijah, in your wondrous deeds! Whose glory is equal to yours? You raised a corpse from death and from Hades, by the word of the Most High. You sent kings down to destruction, and famous men, from their sickbeds. You heard rebuke at Sinai and judgements of vengeance at Horeb. You anointed kings to inflict retribution, and prophets to succeed you. You were taken up by a whirlwind of fire, in a chariot with horses of fire. At the appointed time, it is written, you are destined to calm the wrath of God before it breaks out in fury, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and to restore the tribes of Jacob. Happy are those who saw you and were adorned with your love! For we also shall surely live. When Elijah was enveloped in the whirlwind, Elisha was filled with his spirit. He performed twice as many signs, and marvels with every utterance of his mouth. Never in his lifetime did he tremble before any ruler, nor could anyone intimidate him at all. Nothing was too hard for him, and when he was dead, his body prophesied. In his life he did wonders, and in death his deeds were marvellous. Despite all this the people did not repent, nor did they forsake their sins, until they were carried off as plunder from their land, and were scattered over all the earth. The people were left very few in number, but with a ruler from the house of David. Some of them did what was right, but others sinned more and more.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People stand.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Thomas Morley (1557-1602)

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 1 John 3.1-8

The Second Lesson is written in the First Epistle General of St John, in the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, *Thomas Morley*

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.

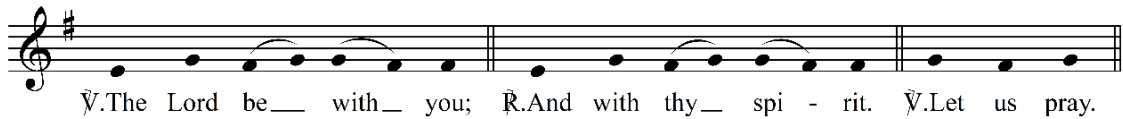
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

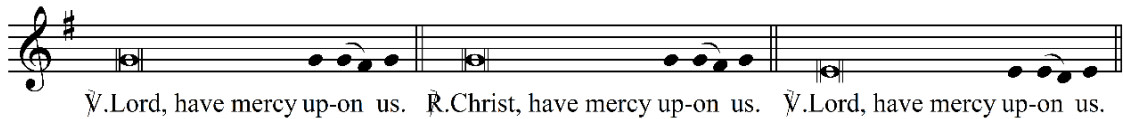
The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

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.



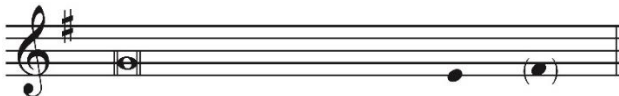
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



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

R̄. And grant us thy salva-**tion**.

V̄. O Lord, save **the** King,

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

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

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

V̄. O Lord, save thy peo-**ple**.

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

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

R̄. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

Ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;
R̄. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who on the holy mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses thy well-beloved Son wonderfully transfigured: Mercifully grant unto us such a vision of his divine majesty, that we, being purified and strengthened by thy grace, may be transformed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

The People sit.

ANTHEM

‘O nata lux de lumine,’ *Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)*

O nata lux de lumine, Jesu redemptor saeculi, Dignare clemens supplicum Laudes precesque sumere. Qui carne quondam contegi Dignatus es pro perditis. Nos membra confer effici, Tui beati corporis.

O Light of light, by love inclined, Jesu, redeemer of mankind, With loving-kindness deign to hear From suppliant voices praise and prayer. Thou who to raise our souls from hell Didst deign in fleshly form to dwell, Vouchsafe us, when our race is run, In thy fair Body to be one.

(Office Hymn for Lauds on the Feast of the Transfiguration)

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

HYMN 199 – Upon the holy mount they stood



- Unison* 1 Upon the holy mount they stood
That wondrous, awful night;
They saw, and knew that it was good
To see that vision bright.
- Harmony* 2 No Man of Sorrows stands there now;
But, keen as lightning flame,
The streams of heavenly radiance flow
From that transfigured Frame.
- Harmony* 3 Beneath that mount another scene
They saw, when morning smiled;
A father, torn with anguish keen,
Sought mercy for his child.
- Harmony* 4 No more the blaze of glistening light
Enwraps the Form divine,
But tender love and healing might
Around him softly shine.
- Harmony* 5 He came from hours of rapture high
To care for human woe;
So angels from God's presence fly
To succour men below.

Unison 6 O Jesu, be our life like thine;
Blest labour, doubly blest
By communings with things divine
Upon the mountain's crest.

Harmony 7 Lord, we would pass from hours of prayer,
That lift our souls above,
To go where want and sorrow are
With lowly deeds of love.

Unison 8 Let no self-will within us lurk,
No faithless sloth be there;
But prayer give life to all our work,
And work crown all our prayer.

LONDON NEW
Psalmes, Edinburgh, 1635

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1871

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

'O Jesu, King most wonderful,' Thomas Tallis
Arranged by Walter McNutt

O Jesu, King most wonderful, Thou Conqueror renowned, Thou sweetness most ineffable, In whom all joys are found. O Jesu, Light of all below, Thou Fount of living fire. Surpassing all the joys we know, And all we can desire. Jesu, may all confess thy Name, Thy wondrous love adore, And seeking thee, their hearts inflame To seek thee more and more. Thee, Jesu, may our voices bless, Thee may we love alone, And ever in our lives express The image of thine own.

(From the Latin of St Bernard of Clairvaux)

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.**

THE BENEDICTION

The people are blessed by the Sacrament.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

The People repeat each phrase after the Officiant.

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be his Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his Angels and in his Saints.

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

Cantor

People

Let us adore Christ our Lord, in the most Holy Sacrament.

Tone VI

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yē peoples.

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** thē Ho-ly[^]Ghost;

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

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

DAILY OFFICE SCHEDULE

*Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes
and are a great way to begin and/or end the day!*

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 AM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:30 AM, SATURDAY

7:30 AM, SUNDAY

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00 PM SUNDAY (CHORAL EVENSONG)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

LOW MASS 8:00 AM

SUNG MASS 9:30 AM

HIGH MASS 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 PM, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

5:30 PM TUESDAY, THURSDAY

10:00 AM SATURDAY

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