Saint Thomas's Church

The Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday, August 7, 2022

High Mass at 11 o'clock



The Transfiguration of Christ, Luca Giordano, 1685 La Galleria degli Uffizi, Firenze

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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 are in loving memory of Teresa Tiee-Mei Nee, by the Nee Family.

Celebrant: Fr. Stoute Homilist: Fr. Bartley Deacon: Fr. Humphrey Reader: Willem Hart Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Communion service in the Phrygian Mode, Charles Wood

Throughout this booklet, the People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

Prelude: 'All Glory be to God on High', *Georg Böhm*

The People stand as the choir enters the church during the prelude, sitting when the Choir sits.

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the Sacred Ministers.

ENTRANCE HYMN – `Tis good, Lord, to be here!

- 1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
 Thy glory fills the night;
 Thy face and garments, like the sun,
 Shine with unborrowed light.
- 2 `Tis good, Lord, to be here,Thy beauty to behold,Where Moses and Elijah stand,Your messengers of old.
- 3 Fulfiller of the past!
 Promise of things to be!
 We hail thy body glorified,
 And our redemption see.
- Before we taste of death,
 We see thy kingdom come;
 We long to hold the vision bright,
 And make this hill our home.
- 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
 Yet we may not remain;
 But since thou bidst us leave the mount,
 Come with us to the plain.

The People kneel.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Choir alone sings the Kyrie.

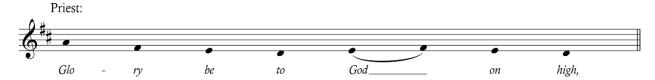
KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie Eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us. Christe Eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us. Kyrie Eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The People stand. The People and Choir sing the Gloria.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Missa de Angelis Harmonized by Walter MacNutt









The People remain standing for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.** Let us pray.

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 of the Feast of the Transfiguration

O God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect of Trinity VIII

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7.9-14

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

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. I watched then because of the noise of the arrogant words that the horn was speaking. And as I watched, the beast was put to death, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL PSALM 99 Dominus regnavit



- 1 The Lord is King; let the peoples tremble; / he sitteth upon the cherubim; let the earth be moved.
- 2 The Lord is great in Sion, / and high above all the peoples.
- 3 Let them give thanks unto thy Name, / which is great and wonderful; for he is holy.
- 4 The King's power loveth judgement; thou dost establish equity: / thou dost execute judgement and righteousness in Jacob.
- 5 O magnify the Lord our God, / and fall down before his footstool; for he is holy.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: / these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.
- 7 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar; / for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.
- 8 Thou heardest them, O Lord our God; / thou forgavest them, O God, though thou didst punish their doings.
- 9 O magnify the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill; / for the Lord our God is holy.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Peter 1.16-19

The Second Lesson is written in the first chapter of the second Epistle of St Peter, beginning at the sixteenth verse.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand. The Choir sings the Gospel Acclamation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 9.28-36

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the ninth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Luke, beginning at the twenty eighth <u>verse</u>.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah' - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

The Gospel of Christ.

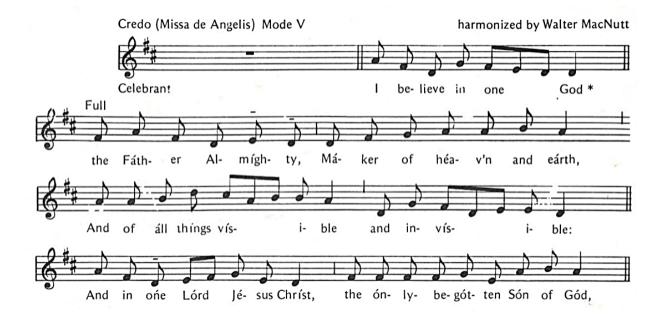
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

SERMON

The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at "And was incarnate".

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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 199 – Upon the holy mount they stood

1 Upon the holy mount they stood That wondrous, awful night; They saw, and knew that it was good To see that vision bright.

- 2 No Man of Sorrows stands there now; But, keen as lightning flame, The streams of heavenly radiance flow From that transfigured Frame.
- 3 Beneath that mount another scene They saw, when morning smiled; A father, torn with anguish keen, Sought mercy for his child.
- 4 No more the blaze of glistering light Enwraps the Form divine, But tender love and healing might Around him softly shine.
- 5 He came from hours of rapture high To care for human woe;So angels from God's presence fly To succour men below.
- 6 O Jesu, be our life like thine; Blest labour, doubly blest By communings with things divine Upon the mountain's crest.
- 7 Lord, we would pass from hours of prayer,That lift our souls above,To go where want and sorrow areWith lowly deeds of love.
- 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 remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censing.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

The People kneel.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.
Intercessor I bid 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 thy mercy, We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
I bid 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 thy mercy We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
I bid 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 thy mercy, We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
I bid 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 thy mercy, We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
I bid 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 thy mercy, We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Thou hast revealed thy glory and presence in thy beloved Son, Christ Jesu. Receive our prayers and reveal to us the glory and presence of thy Spirit. Free us from all doubts and empower us to act as a transfigured people. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Invitation, Confession, & Absolution

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People remain kneeling.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER





It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory, in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying: *The Choir alone sings:*

Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues,

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

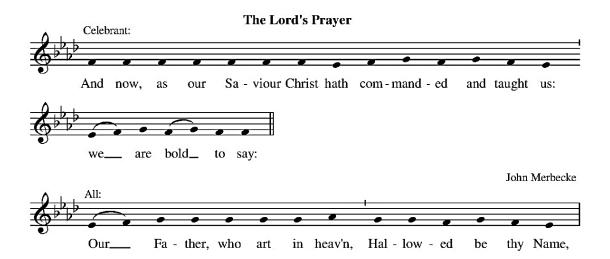
Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

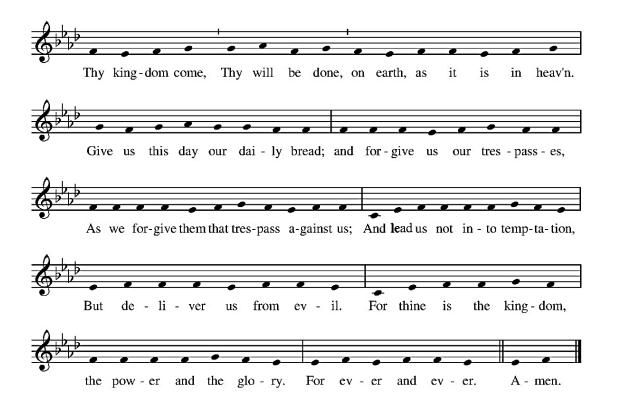
Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,



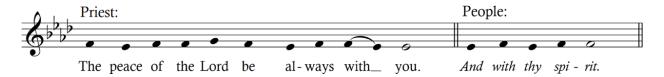
THE LORD'S PRAYER





FRACTION & PEACE

The consecrated Bread is broken.



HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir alone sings:

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

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!

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

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

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy 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.

Мотет

'O nata lux de lumine,' Thomas Tallis

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)

The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.

COMMUNION HYMN 247 - O Jesu, kindly Lord, to thee

- O Jesu, kindly Lord, to thee,My thanks be everlastingly,Who with thy Body and thy BloodRefreshed my soul, for thou art good.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, with joy, and say How rich I have become this day My Saviour dwells within my heart; Thanks for the joy thou dost impart.

EISENACH J.H. Schein, 1586-1630 Tr. (1938) from the Danish of Bishop Kingo (1764)

The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN - From glory to glory advancing

- 1 From glory to glory advancing,
 We praise thee, O Lord;
 Thy name with the Father and Spirit
 Be ever adored.
 From strength unto strength
 We go forward on Sion's highway,
 To appear before God
 In the city of infinite day.
- 2 Thanksgiving and glory
 And worship and blessing and love,
 One heart and one song
 Have the saints upon earth and above.
 O Lord, evermore to thy servants
 Thy presence be nigh.
 Ever fit us by service on earth
 For thy service on high.

SHEEN Gustav Holst (1874-1934) Liturgy of St James Tr. Charles Humphreys (1840-1921)

POSTLUDE: Hymne au Soleil, *Louis Vierne*

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