Saint Thomas's Church

The Eighth Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, July 30, 2023 Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



Stained Glass Window: 'Philip the Deacon Baptizing the Ethiopian Eunuch' Designed by Edward Burne-Jones, (1876); window built by Morris & Co. St. Barnabas Chapel (Mission Church), Norfolk Island, Australia.

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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 Vicki Mazur (née Postulka) given by her daughter Yvonne and her family Matthew, Leocadia, and Isaac.



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Officiant: Fr. James Shire **Homilist:** Wei Wang

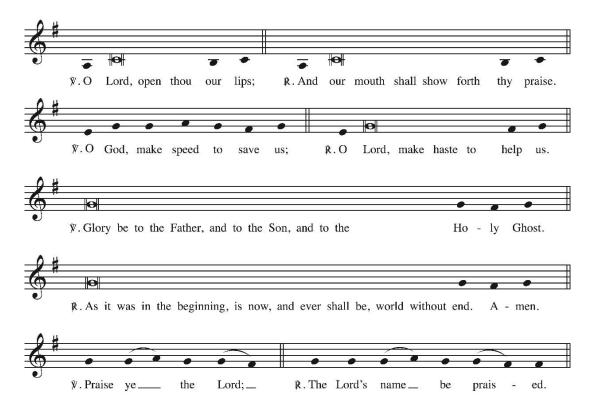
Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson **Assistant Director of Music:** Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY

Adagio from Symphony No. 6, Opus 42 No 2, Charles Marie Widor (1844-1937)

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

PRECES



PSALM 40

Expectans expectavi.

IV. 8.



Cantor

1 I WAIT-ed patiently **for** the Lord :

People

and he inclin-ed unto me, and heard my call-ing.

2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the **mire** and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and order-ed my **gö**-ings.

Cantor

3 And he hath put a new song **in** my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto **oür** God.

People

4 Many shall see it and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.

Cantor

5 Bless-ed is the man that hath set his hope **in** the Lord : and turn-ed not unto the proud, and to such as go a-**böut** with lies.

People

6 O Lord my God, many are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which **are** to us-ward:

and there is none to be compar-ed **un**-to thee.

7 If I should declare them and **speak** of them: they should be more than I am able **tö** ex²press.

People

Cantor

8 Sacrifice and offering thou **would**-est not:

but mine ears hast thou ö-pen-ed.

Cantor

9 Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin hast thou **not** re-quir-ed: then said I, 'Lö, I^come;

People

10 In the volume of the book it is written of mě; I delight to fulfil thy will, **O** my God : yea, thy law is with-**ïn** my^heart.'

Cantor

11 I have declar-ed thy righteousness in the great **con**-gre-ga-tion : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou **knöw**-est.

People

12 I have not hid thy righteousness with-**in** my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy sal-**vä**-tion.

Cantor

13 I have not kept back thy loving mer-cy and truth: from the great congre-gä-tion.

People

14 Withdraw not thou thy mercies from **me**, O Lord : let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway pre-**sërve** me.

- Cantor 15 For innumerable troubles are **come** a-bout me : my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to **loök** up;
- *People* 16 Yea, they are more in number than the hairs **of** my head : and my heart hath **fäil**-ed^me.
- Cantor 17 O Lord, let it be thy pleasure **to** de-liv-er^me : make haste, O Lord, to **hëlp** me.
- People 18 Let them be asham-ed and confounded together, that seek after my soul **to** des-troy it: let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me **ë**-vil.
- Cantor 19 Let them be desolate, and reward-**ed** with shame: that say unto me, 'Fie upon thee, fie up-**ön** thee.'
- People 20 Let all those that seek thee be joyful and **glad** in thee : and let such as love thy salvation say alway, 'The Lord be **präis**-ed.'
- Cantor 21 As for me, I am **poor** and nee-dy: but the Lord careth **för** me.
- People 22 Thou art my helper **and** re-deem-er: make no long tarrying, O **mÿ** God.
- Cantor Glory be to the Father, and **to** the Son : and to the **Hö**-ly Ghost; People As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be :

world without end. Ä-men.

FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 11

The First Lesson is written in the second book of Samuel, in the eleventh chapter, beginning at the first verse.

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.' So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David.

When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

As Joab was besieging the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew there were valiant warriors. The men of the city came out and fought with Joab; and some of the servants of David among the people fell. Uriah the Hittite was killed as well. Then Joab sent and told David all the news about the fighting; and he instructed the messenger, 'When you have finished telling the king all the news about the fighting, then, if the king's anger rises, and if he says to you, "Why did you go so near the city to fight? Did you not know that they would shoot from the wall? Who killed Abimelech son of Jerubbaal? Did not a woman throw an upper millstone on him from the wall, so that he died at Thebez? Why did you go so near the wall?" then you shall say, "Your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead too.""

So the messenger went, and came and told David all that Joab had sent him to tell. The messenger said to David, 'The men gained an advantage over us, and came out against us in the field; but we drove them back to the entrance of the gate. Then the archers shot at your servants from the wall; some of the king's servants are dead; and your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.' David said to the messenger, 'Thus you shall say to Joab, "Do not let this matter trouble you, for the sword devours now one and now another; press your attack on the city, and overthrow it." And encourage him.'

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People stand.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Healey Willan (1888-1968)

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 Acts 8.26-39

The Second Lesson is written in the Acts of the Apostles, in the eighth chapter, beginning at the twenty sixth verse.

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, Healey Willan

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;

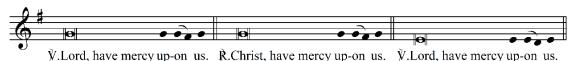
The Resurrection of the body,

And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



The People kneel.



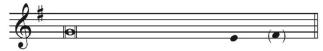
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



- \dot{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.
- \dot{V} . Endue thy ministers with righ-teous-ness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.
- \dot{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, 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, 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.**

The People sit.

ANTHEM

'Let thy merciful ears, O Lord,' John Mudd (1555-1631)

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open unto the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity)

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 HOMILY

HYMN 44 – The Day Hath Now an Ending

- The day hath now an ending,
 O Light, all light transcending,
 Be with us as we pray;
 O stay thou close beside us,
 Jesus, our Saviour, hide us,
 Until earth's shadows flee away.
- And then, for those, our nearest,
 Our friends belov'd and dearest,
 God keep you in his sight!
 His angel-guards attend you,
 His sheltering arms defend you,
 Till morning breaks with golden light.

INNSBRÜCK Ascribed to Heinrich Isaac, 1539 Adapted and harmonized by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

ADORATION

O Salutaris Hostia (Hymn 237, Part 2)

- 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.
- 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.

Tr. From the German of Paul Gerhardt 1649

ÆTERNA CHRISTI MUNERA

MOTET

Fecisti nos, Domine, ad Te, et inquietum est cor nostrum donec quiescat in Te.

You made us, Lord, for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

(St Augustine of Hippo, Confessions, I, 1)

Tantum Ergo Sacramentum (Hymn 234, Part 2)

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.

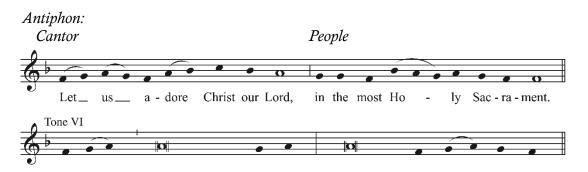
The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

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



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** thë 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 rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

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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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