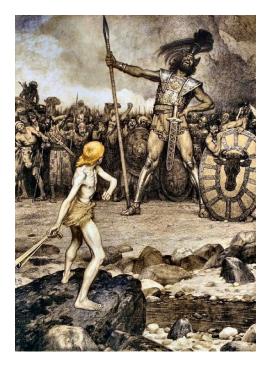
# Saint Thomas's Church The Third Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, June 25, 2023 Choral Evensong at 5:00 pm



David and Goliath, Osmar Schindler, c. 1888 this lithograph is in a private collection

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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



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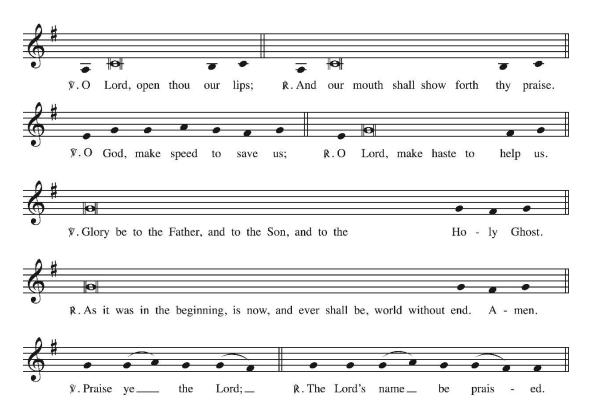
**Officiant:** Fr. Nathan Humphrey **Guest Organist:** Peter Tiefenbach

# **VOLUNTARY**

O Gott, du frommer Gott, Op. 122 No. 7, Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

## **PRECES**



**PSALM** 19 Caeli enarrant. III. 5. THE HEA-vens declare the **glo**-ry of God: Cantor 1 People and the firmament showeth his han-dy-work. 2 One day **tell**-eth an-oth-er: and one night certifieth **an**-o-thër. 3 Cantor There is neither **speech** nor lan-guage: their voice **can**-not be hëard; People 4 Yet their sound is gone out **in**-to all lands: and their words into the ends of the world. Cantor 5 In them hath he set a taber-na-cle for the sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course. People 6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the hea-ven, and runneth about unto the end of it a-gain: and there is nothing hid from the heat there-of. The law of the Lord is an undefil-ed law, re-stor-ing the soul: Cantor the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the sim-plë. People The precepts of the Lord are right, and re-joice the heart: 8 the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light **un**-to^the ëves. Cantor 9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and en-dur-eth<sup>f</sup>or ev-er: the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous al-to-ge-thër. More to be desir-ed are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: People 10 sweeter also than honey, and **the** hon-ey-comb. Cantor Moreover, by them is thy ser-vant taught: 11 and in keeping of them there is great re-ward. Who can tell how oft he of-fend-eth?: People 12 O cleanse thou me from my se-cret faults. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get Cantor 13 the do-min-ion o-ver me: so shall I be undefil-ed and innocent from the great of-fënce. People Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be alway 14

ac-cept-a-ble in thy sight: O Lord, my strength and my re-deem-ër.

Cantor Glory be to the Father, **and** to the Son : and to **the** Ho<sup>2</sup>ly Ghöst; As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be : world without **end**. A-mën.

**Psalm** 20 Exaudiat te Dominus.



Cantor 1 THE LORD hear thee in the **day** of trou-ble : People the Name of the God of **Ja**-cob^de-fënd thee;

2 Send thee help from the **sanc**-tu-a-ry: and strengthen thee **out** of Sï-on;

Cantor 3 Remember all thy of fer-ings: and accept thy burnt sä-crifice;

People 4 Grant thee thy heart's de-sire : and ful-fil all thy mind.

Cantor 5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the **Name** of our God: the Lord perform all **thy** pe-ti-tions.

People 6 Now know I that the Lord helpeth his anointed, and will hear him from his **ho**-ly hea-ven: even with the wholesome **strength** of his right hand.

Cantor 7 Some put their trust in chariots, and **some** in hors-es: but we will remember the **Name** of the Lörd our God.

People 8 They are brought **down**, and fal-len: but we are risen and **ständ** üp-right.

Cantor 9 O Lord, save the king: and mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.

People Glory be to the Fa-ther and to the Son : and to the Hö-ly Ghost;

Cantor As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be:

People world with-out end. Ä-men.

# **FIRST LESSON** 1 Samuel 17.1-11, 32-51

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

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim. Saul and the Israelites gathered and encamped in the valley of Elah, and formed ranks against the Philistines. The Philistines stood on the

mountain on one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armoured with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, 'Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us.' And the Philistine said, 'Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together.'

When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. David said to Saul, 'Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.' Saul said to David, 'You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.' But David said to Saul, 'Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.' David said, 'The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.'

So Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you!' Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, 'I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them.' So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, 'Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?' And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

The Philistine said to David, 'Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.'

But David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand.'

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, striking down the Philistine and killing him; there was no sword in David's hand. Then David ran and stood over the Philistine; he grasped his sword, drew it out of its sheath, and killed him; then he cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People stand.

## THE MAGNIFICAT

Fauxbourdons, Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)

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** Acts 2.22-42

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

Saint Peter said, 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool." Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People stand.

#### **NUNC DIMITTIS**

Fauxbourdons, Thomas Tomkins

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;

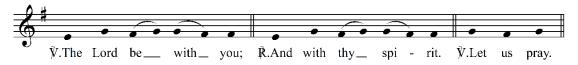
The Communion of Saints:

The Forgiveness of sins;

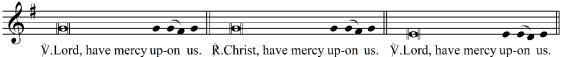
The Resurrection of the body,

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



- 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.
- V. Endue thy ministers with righ-teous-ness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.
- 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 Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; 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**

'Prevent us, O Lord,' William H. Harris (1883-1973)

\*Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, page 87. \*Prevent 'Guide, go before, act in anticipation of)

## **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 22** – Holy Father, cheer our way

- 1 Holy Father, cheer our way With thy love's perpetual ray; Grant us every closing day Light at evening time.
- 2 Holy Saviour, calm our fears When earth's brightness disappears; Grant us in our latter years Light at evening time.
- 3 Holy Spirit, be thou nigh When in mortal pains we lie; Grant us, as we come to die, Light at evening time.
- 4 Holy, Blessèd Trinity,
  Darkness is not dark with thee;
  Those thou keepest always see
  Light at evening time.

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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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