Saint Thomas's Church

Trinity Sunday

Sunday, June 4, 2023 Evensong & Benediction at 5:00 pm



The Holy Trinity, panel from the book of hours of Anne of Brittany, c. 1508 National Library of France

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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 my brother Ron Willems, from Gloria and Don Wiebe.



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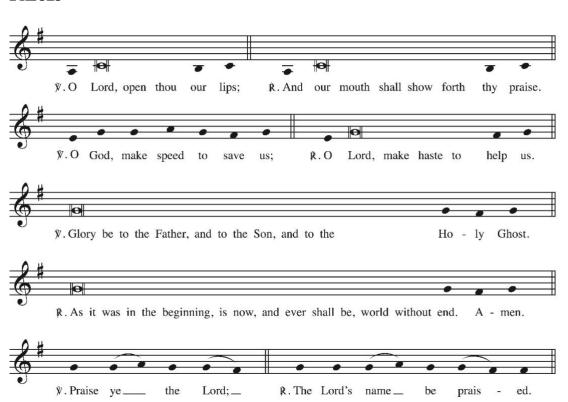
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Officiant: Fr Mitchell Director of Music & Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

VOLUNTARY

Kyrie, Gott, heiliger Geist, BWV 671, J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

PRECES



PSALM 146. Lauda, anima mea.

VIII. 2. Cantor 1 PRAISE THE Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: People yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises un-to my God. 2 O put not your trust in princes nor in any child of man: for there is no help in them. Cantor 3 For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn again to his earth: and then all his thoughts per-ish. 4 Bless-ed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his **help**: People and whose hope is **in** the Lord his God; 5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: Cantor who keepeth his pro-mise for ev-er; 6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer **wrong**: People who feed-eth the hun-gry. 7 The Lord looseth men out of **pri**-son: Cantor the Lord giveth **sight** to the blind. 8 The Lord raiseth up them that are **fall-**en: People the Lord lov-eth the righ-teous. 9 The Lord careth for the strang-ers; he upholdeth the fatherless Cantor and wi-dow: as for the way of the ungodly, he turn-eth it up-side down. People 10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for ever-more: and throughout all ge-ne-ra-tions. Cantor 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: People

world with-out end. A-men.

PSALM: 150, Anglican Chant, C.V. Stanford; sung by the choir alone.

The people remain seated.

- 1 O praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him in his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.
- 4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him upon the strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.
- 6 Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

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.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 40.12-end

The First Lesson is written in the book of the Prophet Isaiah, in the fortieth chapter, beginning at the twelfth verse.

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. To whom then will you liken God, or what likeness compare with him? An idol? A workman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold, and casts for it silver chains. As a gift one chooses mulberry wood — wood that will not rot — then seeks out a skilled artisan to set up an image that will not topple. Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and

makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Jesus College Service, William Mathias (1934-1992)

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 1 Peter 1.1-12

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

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood: May grace and peace be yours in abundance. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated, when it testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look!

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Jesus College Service, William Mathias

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.

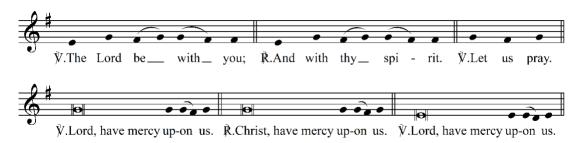
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

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 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;
- \mathbb{R} . And grant us thy salva-tion.
- V. O Lord, save the King,
- \mathbb{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

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

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee, that this holy faith may evermore be our defence against all adversities; who livest and reignest, 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.**

ANTHEM 'Hymn to the Trinity,' Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)

Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth. Saints and Martyrs praise thy Name, Trinity lifegiving, earthborne sorrow leaving before Thy throne, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. With the Angels' sacred hymn, all thy might proclaiming, with the mystic cherubim in songs of praise we join, Holy, Holy, Holy, join we all in songs of praise for ever; Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Lord God of Sabaoth.

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 369 - Bright the vision that delighted

- 1 Bright the vision that delighted Once the sight of Judah's seer; Sweet the countless tongues united To entrance the prophet's ear.
- 2 Round the Lord in glory seated Cherubim and seraphim Filled his temple, and repeated Each to each the alternate hymn.
- 3 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; Earth is with its fulness stored; Unto thee be glory given, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'
- 4 Heaven is still with glory ringing, Earth takes up the angels' cry, Holy, Holy, Holy, - singing, 'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'
- 5 With his seraph train before him, With his holy Church below, Thus unite we to adore him, Bid we thus our anthem flow:
- 6 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; Earth is with its fulness stored; Unto thee be glory given, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'

REDHEAD No. 56 Richard Redhead, 1853 Bishop R. Mant, 1837

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA WAREHAM

- 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

Hymn of the Cherubim, Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Let us who mystically represent the Cherubim and who sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating Trinity, now lay aside all cares of this life, that we may receive the King of All, who comes invisibly upborne by the angelic host. Alleluia.

(from the Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom, Opus 31)

TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

GRAFTON

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 heaven;

Containing in itself all sweetness.

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



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 Benediction.

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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