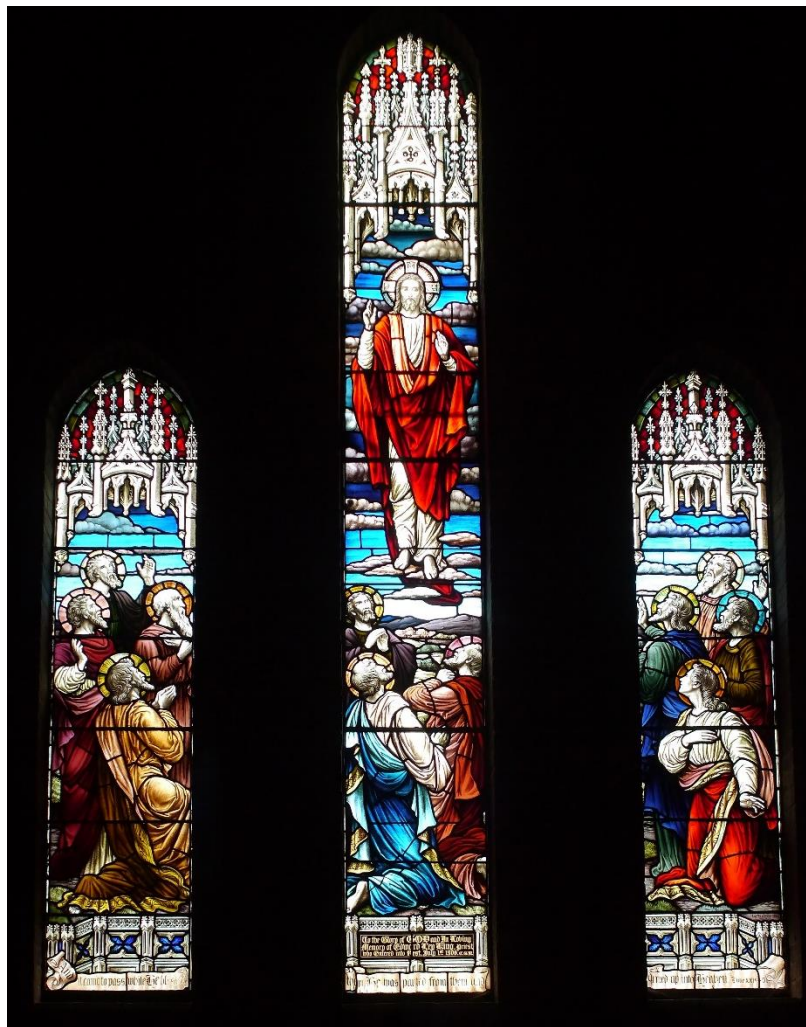




**The Sunday After Ascension Day  
Sunday, May 24, 2020**

**Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock**



The Ascension Window, McCausland, 1906  
Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

**Celebrant:** Fr D'Angelo  
**Homilist:** Fr D'Angelo  
**Gospeller and Intercessor:** The Rev'd James Shire  
**Cantors:** Emily Burnett & Mark Wood-Salomon  
**Reader:** Terry Tweed

**MUSIC OF THE MASS** – *Missa de Angelis*

**INTROIT:** Psalm 27.1-12

- 1 THE LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? /  
the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When the wicked came upon me to eat up my flesh, /  
even mine enemies and my foes, they stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be  
afraid; / and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust  
in him.
- 4 ONE thing have I desired of the LORD, which I will require: /  
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 visit his temple.
- 5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle; /  
yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up  
upon a rock of stone.
- 6 And now shall my head be lifted up /  
above mine enemies round about me.
- 7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness: /  
I will sing, and speak praises unto the LORD.
- 8 HEARKEN unto my voice, O LORD, when I cry unto thee; /  
have mercy upon me and hear me.
- 9 My heart hath talked with thee: 'Seek ye my face'; /  
'Thy face, LORD, will I seek.'
- 10 O hide not thy face from me, / nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
- 11 Thou hast been my succour; / leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of  
my salvation.
- 12 When my father and my mother forsake me, / the LORD taketh me up.

**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.**

HEARKEN unto my voice, O LORD, when I cry unto thee; /  
have mercy upon me and hear me.

## 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.*

## KYRIE ELEISON

*The cantor sings*

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

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high,

Cantors: and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

V / The Lord be with you;

R / *And with thy spirit.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O GOD the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

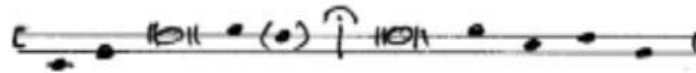
*Collect for Sunday After Ascension Day*

**FIRST READING: Acts 1.6-14**

When they had all come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judæa and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholemew and Matthew, James son of Alphæus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The word of the Lord  
R / *Thanks be to God*

**PSALM 68.1-10; 29-32 Tone V,1**



- 1 LET GOD ARISE, and let his enemies be scat-ter-ed :  
let them also that hate him flee be-fore him.
- 2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them a-way :  
and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the pre-sence  
of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God :  
let them also be mer-ry and joy-ful.
- 4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name : magnify him that rideth  
upon the heavens; praise him in his Name JAH, and re-joyce be-fore him.
- 5 He is a father of the fatherless, and defendth the cause of the wi-dows :  
even God in his holy hab-i-ta-tion.
- 6 He is the God that giveth the desolate a home to dwell in, and bringeth  
the pri-soners out of cap-tiv-i-ty : but the rebellious dwell in scarce-ness.

- 7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy peo-ple :  
when thou wentest **through** the wil-der-ness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the heavens poured down rain at the presence of **God** :  
Sinai also quaked at the presence of God, who is the **God** of Is-ra-el.
- 9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine in-he-ri-tance :  
and refreshedst it when **it** was wea-ry.
- 10 Thy congregation dwelt there-in : for thou, O God, of thy goodness didst  
pro-vide for the poor.
- 29 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the **earth** : O sing praises **un**-to the Lord;
- 30 Who rideth in the high heavens, which are of **old** :  
lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and **that** a migh-ty voice.
- 31 Ascribe ye the power to Gōd; his majesty is over **Is-ra-el** :  
and his **strength** is in the clouds.
- 32 O God, terrible art thou in thy holy **pla**-ces : even the God of Israel;  
he giveth strength and power unto his people. **Bless**-ed be God.

**SECOND READING:** 1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord  
R / *Thanks be to God*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** John 14.18

Cantor: Alleluia. Alleluia. I will not leave you desolate, says the Lord; I will come to you. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL: John 17.1-11**  
**R / *Glory be to thee, O Lord***

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. "I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

**The Gospel of Christ**  
**R / *Praise be to thee, O Christ***

**THE NICENE CREED**

Celebrant: I believe in one God

Cantor: **the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN 263 - Christ is gone up

DUNDEE (FRENCH). C.M. *The cl Psalmes, Edinburgh, 1615.*

A-men.

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| <p>1 Christ is gone up; yet ere he passed<br/>From earth, in heaven to reign,<br/>He formed one holy Church to last<br/>Till he should come again.</p> <p>2 His twelve apostles first he made<br/>His ministers of grace;<br/>And they their hands on others laid,<br/>To fill in turn their place.</p> | <p>3 So age by age, and year by year,<br/>His grace was handed on;<br/>And still the holy Church is here,<br/>Although her Lord is gone.</p> <p>4 Let those find pardon, Lord, from thee,<br/>Whose love for her is cold:<br/>Bring wanderers in, and let there be<br/>One Shepherd and one fold.</p> |
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## 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.

*1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14*

## INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Christ is in Heaven and he intercedes on our behalf to God the Father. Let us therefore offer our prayers and supplications confident in his unfailing love and mercy towards us. Let us pray.

Deacon: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth, live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory in the world.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Deacon: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Andrew our bishop, and Jenny the bishop for this area; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Deacon: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Deacon: Comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Be present with the sick, including \_\_\_\_\_, and those suffering from the coronavirus, (and we pray also for those who have asked for our prayers including \_\_\_\_\_).



*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Deacon: Grant rest eternal to all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear. We pray for those who have died in recent days, including \_\_\_\_\_, and on their year's mind \_\_\_\_\_, and that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and with all thy saints in thine eternal kingdom.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of thy people, and strengthen us to do thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**All: 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.**

Celebrant: 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.*

## SURSUM CORDA

V / The Lord be with you;

R / *And with thy spirit.*

V / Lift up your hearts;

R / *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

V / Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

R / *It is meet and right so to do.*

*The Celebrant sings the preface*

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.

Through thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory.

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 cantor sings:*

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,*

*Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.*

*Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.*

*Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our saviour Christ has commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

**Cantor: 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. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

*The consecrated Bread is broken.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you:  
R / *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: We do not presume

**All: 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 cantor 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.

*Silence before Act of Spiritual Communion*

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**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

**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.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty ever-living God, who dost allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries, grant, we pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward to where our nature is united with thee. Through Christ our Lord. *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.*

CONCLUDING HYMN 590 – The head that once was crowned with thorns

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ST. MAGNUS. C.M.

JEREMIAH CLARK, 1709.

A-men.

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| 1 The head that once was crowned with thorns,<br>Is crowned with glory now:<br>A royal diadem adorns<br>The mighty Victor's brow.          | 4 To them the Cross with all its shame,<br>With all its grace is given;<br>Their name an everlasting name,<br>Their joy the joy of heaven.       |
| 2 The highest place that heaven affords<br>Is his, is his by right,<br>The King of kings and Lord of lords,<br>And heaven's eternal Light. | 5 They suffer with their Lord below,<br>They reign with him above,<br>Their profit and their joy to know<br>The mystery of his love.             |
| 3 The joy of all who dwell above;<br>The joy of all below,<br>To whom he manifests his love<br>And grants his Name to know.                | 6 The Cross he bore is life and health,<br>Though shame and death to him:<br>His people's hope, his people's wealth,<br>Their everlasting theme. |