Saint Thomas's Church

The Third Sunday After Easter Day Sunday, May 8, 2022

Evensong & Devotions at 3:00 pm



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The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God:

Those at the High Altar in loving memory of Alice and Henry Spencer, by Phil and Wade Spencer.

Officiant: Fr. Shire Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

UPDATED PROVISOS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE

Masks are still required until the Feast of Pentecost on June 5. The mask must be an N95, KN95, or acceptable equivalent. Exemptions are allowed as provided for by law; please inform a sidesperson if an exemption applies to you.

The Diocese has approved a return to congregational singing! Please join in heartily. Though distancing is no longer a requirement, please inquire of your nearest neighbours to ensure that all are comfortable and accommodated.

PRELUDE: Adoration, Florence Prince

O Lord, open thou our lips;

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord;
The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM 123, Tone II, 1

- 1 Unto thee lift I up mine eyes, / O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
- 2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, / and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress,
- 3 Even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, / until he have mercy upon us.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us; / for we are utterly despised.
- 5 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy, / and with the despitefulness of the proud.

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.

PSALM 124, Tone II, 1

- 1 If the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say; / if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;
- 2 They had swallowed us up alive, / when they were so wrathfully displeased at us;
- 3 Then the waters had drowned us, / and the torrent had gone over our soul;
- 4 Yea, then the raging waters / had gone even over our soul.
- 5 But praised be the Lord, / who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.
- 6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler: / the snare is broken, and we are delivered.
- 7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord, / who hath made heaven and earth.

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.

PSALM 125, Tone VII,2

- 1 They that put their trust in the Lord are even as the mount Sion, / which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem: / even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 For the sceptre of the ungodly shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; / lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.
- 4 Do well, O Lord, unto those that are good, / and unto them that are true of heart.
- 5 As for such as turn aside to their own crooked ways, / the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil doers; but peace be upon 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.

FIRST LESSON – Deuteronomy 5.1-21

The First Lesson is written the book of Deuteronomy, in the fifth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Moses convened all Israel, and said to them: Hear, O Israel, the statutes and ordinances that I am addressing to you today; you shall learn them and observe them diligently. The LORD our God made a covenant with us at Horeb. Not with our ancestors did the LORD make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive today. The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the fire. (At that time I was standing between the LORD and you to declare to you the words of the LORD; for you were afraid because of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous

God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Honour your father and your mother, as the LORD your God commanded you, so that your days may be long and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. Neither shall you commit adultery. Neither shall you steal. Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbour. Neither shall you covet your neighbour's wife. Neither shall you desire your neighbour's house, or field, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Canticles: Dorian Service, Thomas Tallis

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 – Revelation 21.9-end

The Second Lesson is written in the Book of Revelation, in the twenty-first chapter, beginning at the ninth verse.

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb." And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

The angel who talked to me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls. The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width; and he measured the city with his rod, fifteen hundred miles; its length and width and height are equal. He also measured its wall, one hundred forty-four cubits by human measurement, which the angel was using. The wall is built of jasper, while the city is pure gold, clear as glass. The foundations of the wall of the city are adorned with every jewel; the first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst. And the twelve gates are twelve pearls, each of the gates is a single pearl, and the street of the city is pure gold, transparent as glass.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Canticles: Dorian Service, Thomas Tallis

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

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

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Priest: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: And grant us thy salvation. Priest: O Lord, save the Queen;

People: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest: Endue thy ministers with righteousness; People: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest: O Lord, save thy people;
People: And bless thine inheritance.
Priest: Give peace in our time, O Lord;
People: And evermore mightily defend us.

Priest: O God, make clean our hearts within us; People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may forsake those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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.**

ANTHEM

'Expectans Expectavi,' Charles Wood

This sanctuary of my soul, Unwitting I keep white and whole, Unlatch'd and lit, if Thou should'st care To enter or to tarry there. With parted lips and outstretch'd hands, And list'ning ears Thy servant stands. Call Thou early, call Thou late, To Thy great service dedicate. My soul, keep white, and whole.

PRAYERS

(THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING MAY BE SAID)

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 155 - Christ the Lord is risen again

- 1 Christ the Lord is risen again; Christ hath broken every chain; Hark! angelic voices cry, Singing evermore on high, Alleluia!
- 2 He, who gave for us his life, Who for us endured the strife, Is our Paschal Lamb today; We too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!
- 3 He, who bore all pain and loss Comfortless upon the Cross, Lives in glory now on high, Pleads for us, and hears our cry; Alleluia!
- 4 Now he bids us tell abroad How the lost may be restored, How the penitent forgiven, How we too may enter heaven. Alleluia!
- 5 Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed; Take our sins and guilt away, That we all may sing for aye Alleluia!

WÜRTEMBURG W.H. Monk, 1823-89 from the German of Rev. M. Weisse, 1531 Tr. Catherine Winkworth

DEVOTIONS

O Salutaris Hostia (Hymn 237, Part 2)

ÆTERNA CHRISTI MUNERA

- 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.

MOTET

'Ave verum corpus,' Edward Elgar

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, Who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals, Whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: Be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final trial. O Jesu sweet, O Jesu merciful, O Jesu, Son of Mary, have mercy upon me. Amen

(Sequence Hymn for Corpus Christi)

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.

Thou gavest them Bread from heaven; Alleluia. Containing in itself all sweetness. Alleluia.

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

Antiphon: Lët üs ad-öre **Christ** our Lord : in the **most hö**-ly Sac-ra-ment.

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. [repeat antiphon]