

# Saint Thomas's Church

## Trinity XXII

Sunday, November 13, 2022

High Mass at 11 o'clock



*Christ Healing the Bleeding Woman, c. 300 AD*  
Roman catacombs

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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

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*



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

*Those at the High Altar in loving memory of Grace Kelso by her husband Clair and her daughters Charis and Felica and their families;*

*and*

*Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of Murray Kingsburgh,  
by his daughter Robin and grandsons Justin and Adam.*

**Celebrant:** Fr. Shire  
**Homilist & Deacon:** Fr. Humphrey  
**Reader:** Willem Hart  
**Interim Director of Music & Organist:** Elizabeth Anderson

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS:** Communion Service in G, *Francis Jackson (1917-2022)*

*Throughout this booklet, the People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY:** Solemn Melody, *H. Walford Davies*

*The People stand as the choir enters the church during the prelude, sitting when the Choir sits.*

*At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the Sacred Ministers.*

**INTROIT:** Psalm 85.1-7, ant v.4

VII. 7.



- Cantor* 4 TURN US, O **God** our Sav-iour :  
*People* and let thine **an**-ger cease<sup>^</sup>from us.
- 1 Lord, thou art become gracious **un**-to thy land :  
thou hast restor-ed the for-**tunes** of Ja-cob.
- Cantor* 2 Thou hast forgiven the of-**fence** of<sup>^</sup>thy peo-ple : and **co**-ver<sup>^</sup>ed all<sup>^</sup>their sin.  
*People* 3 Thou hast taken away **all** thy<sup>^</sup>dis-plea-sure :  
and turn-ed thyself from thy wrathful **in**-dig-na-tion.
- Cantor* 4 Turn us, O **God** our Sav-iour : and let thine **an**-ger cease<sup>^</sup>from us.  
*People* 5 Wilt thou be displeas-ed at **us** for ev-er? : and wilt thou stretch out thy  
wrath from one generation **to** an-o-ther?
- Cantor* 6 Wilt thou not turn a-**gain** and quick<sup>^</sup>en us :  
that thy people **may** re-joice<sup>^</sup>in thee?
- People* 7 O Lord, show thy **mer**-cy<sup>^</sup>up-on us : and grant us **thy** sal-va-tion.
- Cantor* Glory be to the **Fa**-ther<sup>^</sup>and to<sup>^</sup>the Son : and **to** the Ho<sup>^</sup>ly Ghost;  
*People* As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be : world with-**out** end.  
A-men.
- People* 4 TURN US, O **God** our Sav-iour : and let thine **an**-ger cease<sup>^</sup>from us.

*The People kneel.*

## 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.**

*The Choir alone sings the Kyrie.*

## KYRIE ELEISON

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

*The People stand. The People and Choir sing the Gloria.*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

*Missa de Angelis  
Harmonized by Walter MacNutt*

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Glo-ry be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will to - wards men. We praise thee,  
we bless\_\_\_ thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo-ri - fy\_\_\_ thee, we give thanks to\_\_\_ thee  
for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God hea-ven-ly King, God the Fath - er\_\_\_ Al - migh - ty.  
O Lord, the on-ly-be-got-ten Son, Je - su\_\_\_ Christ; O Lord God,\_\_\_ Lamb of God,  
Son of the\_\_\_ Fath - - - er, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,\_\_\_

have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,  
re - ceive our \_\_\_\_\_ prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the Fath - er,  
have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art\_ ho - ly; thou on - ly\_ art the Lord;  
thou on - ly,\_\_\_ O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art\_\_\_ most\_\_\_ high  
in the glo - ry of God the Fath - - - er.\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_ men.\_\_\_\_

*The People remain standing for the Collect.*

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

### FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4.1-2a

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

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE Isaiah 12.2-6

IV. 4.



*Cantor* BE-HOLD, God is **my** sal-va-tion :

*People* I will trust, **and** not be a-fraid:

For the Lord JEHOVAH is my strength and my söng; he is also become **my** sal-va-tion. : Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the **wells** of sal-va-tion.

*Cantor* And in that day shall ye say, **Praise** the Lord : call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his **name** is ex-alt-ed.

*People* Sing unto the Lord; for he hath done ex-cel-lent things : this **is** known in all the^earth.

*Cantor* Cry out and shout, thou inhabi-**tant** of Zi-on :

*People* for great is the Holy One of Isra-**el** in the midst of^thee.

## THE EPISTLE: 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13

The Epistle is written in the third chapter of St Paul's Second Epistle to the Thessalonians, beginning at the sixth verse.

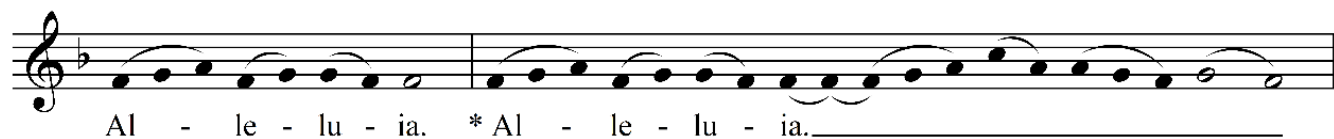
Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand. The Choir sings the Gospel Acclamation, the People repeating the Alleluias.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Alleluia. Alleluia. Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.

## GOSPEL: Luke 21.5-19

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty first chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Luke, beginning at the fifth verse.

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



*The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.*

## SERMON

*The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at "and was incarnate," rising after "and was made man."*

## THE NICENE CREED

Credo (Missa de Angelis) Mode V

harmonized by Walter MacNutt

Celebrant: I be- lieve in one God \*

Full  
the Fáth- er Al- mígh- ty, Má- ker of héa- v'n and eárth,  
And of áll things vís- i- ble and in- vís- i- ble:  
And in oíne Lórd Jé- sus Chríst, the ón- ly- be- gót- ten Són of Gód,  
Be- gót- t'n of the Fáth- er be- fóre all wórlds;  
Gód, of Gód; Líght, of Líght; Vé- ry Gód, of vé- ry Gód;  
Be- gót- ten, nó't máde; Bé- ing of one súb- stance with the Fáth- er;  
Through whóm all things were máde: Who for ús mén and for oúr sal- vá- tion





came down from héa- v'n, And was in- cár- nate by the Hó- ly Ghóst




of the Vír- gin Má- ry, And was máde mán, And was



crú- ci- fi- ed ál- so for ús un- der Pón- tius Pí- late.



He súf- fer- ed and was bú- ri- ed, And the thír- d day he róse a- gáin




ac- córd- ing to the Scríp- tures, And as- ceí- d- ed in- to héa- v'n,




And sí- teth on the rí- ght hand of the Fáth- er.



And hé shall cóme a- gain with gló- ry to júd- ge both the quí- ck and the deá- d:




Whose kíng- dom shall háve no eí- d. And I be- lí- eve in the Hó- ly Ghóst, The Loí- rd,




The Gí- ver of Lí- fe, Who pro- ceé- d- eth from the Fáth- er and the Són,



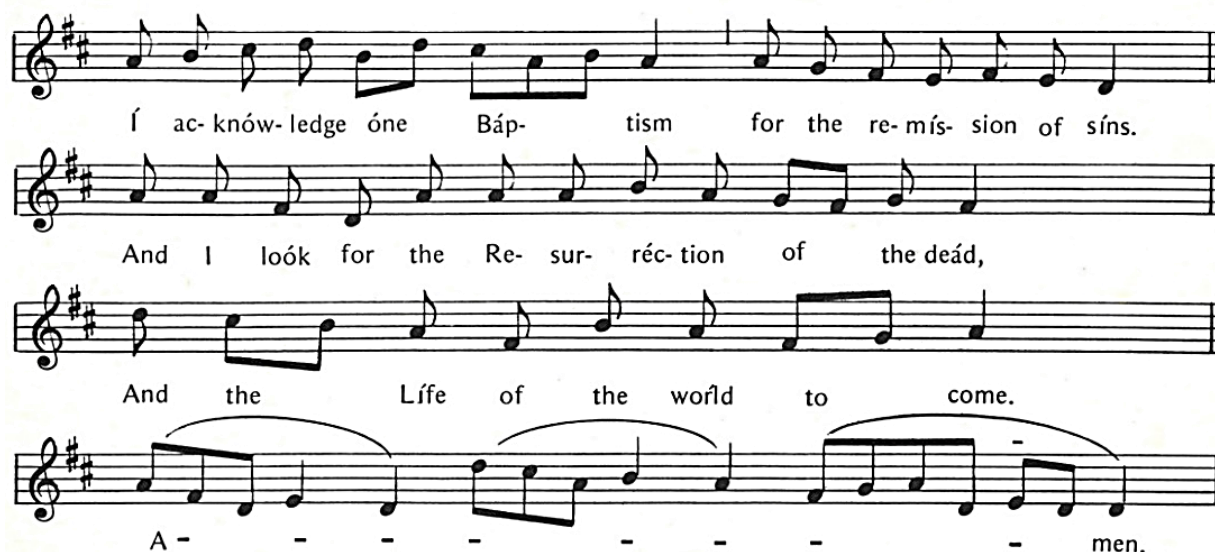
Who with the Fáth- er and the Són to- géth- er is wór- ship- ped



and gló- ri- fi- ed, Who spáke by the Pró- phets.



And Í be- lí- eve One, Hó- ly, Cá- tho- lic, and Á- po- stó- lic Chur- ch.



I ac-know-ledge óne Báp-tism for the re-mís-sion of síns.  
 And I loók for the Re-sur-réc-tion of the deád,  
 And the Lífe of the world to come.  
 A - - - - - men.

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering.

*The People remain standing for the hymn.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN 379 – O God, our help in ages past

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home!
- 2 Beneath the shadow of thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting thou art God,  
To endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly, forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come;  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home!

*S<sup>T</sup> ANNE*  
*Dr. Wm. Croft*

*Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719*

*The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.*

### **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. **Amen.**

*The People kneel.*

### **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, according to the Anglican cycle of prayer for \_\_\_\_\_, according to the Diocesan prayer cycle for \_\_\_\_\_, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the King and for all in civil authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream; for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_ [We give thanks especially for\_\_\_\_\_.] May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering in mind, body, or estate due to the ongoing pandemic; for victims of warfare and violence; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and whose years mind is at this time \_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, heal our lives, that we may acknowledge thy wonderful deeds and offer thanks unto thee from generation to generation through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **INVITATION, CONFESSION, & ABSOLUTION**

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.




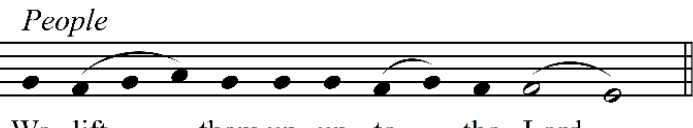
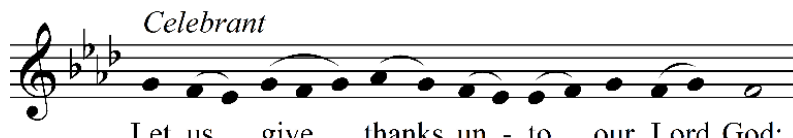
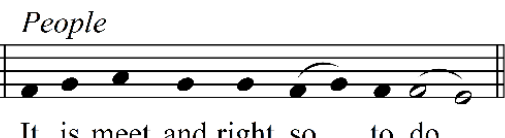
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily 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.

*The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.*

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.

*The People remain kneeling.*

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>The Lord be with you;</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And with thy spirit.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Lift up your hearts;</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>We lift them up unto the Lord.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>It is meet and right so to do.</p>

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. Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; thou dost renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth thy glory in all the world. 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 Choir alone sings:*

## SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy,	Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Lord God of Hosts:	Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.	Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.	Hosanna in excelsis.
□ Blessed is he that cometh	□ Benedictus qui venit
in the Name of the Lord.	in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in the highest.	Hosanna in excelsis.

*The Celebrant continues,*

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,

*Celebrant* *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out — end. A - men. —

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Music by John Merbecke*

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Sa - viour Christ hath com - mand - ed and taught us, we are bold to say:

*People*

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav'n, Hal - low - ed be thy Name, Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;

and for - give us our tres - pass - es, As we for - give them that tres - pass a - gainst us;

And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - li - ver us from ev - il.

For thine is the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry, For ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## FRACTION & PEACE

*The consecrated Bread is broken.*

*Celebrant* *People*

The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you. And with thy spi - rit.



## HOLY COMMUNION

*All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:*

We do not presume  
**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 Choir alone sings:*

## AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

## COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*

*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*

## COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

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

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

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.

## MOTET

*'Justorum animæ,' Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt, et non tanget illos tormentum malitiae.  
Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori, illi autem sunt in pace.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there no torment shall touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: but they are in peace.

(From The Wisdom of Solomon 3.1-3; Offertory for All Saints' Day)

*The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.*

**COMMUNION HYMN 240** – Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

- 1 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,  
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness;  
Come into the daylight's splendour,  
There with joy thy praises render  
Unto him whose grace unbounded  
Hath this wondrous banquet founded:  
High o'er all the heavens he reigneth,  
Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.
  
- 2 Now I sink before thee lowly,  
Filled with joy most deep and holy,  
As with trembling awe and wonder  
On thy mighty works I ponder:  
How, by mystery surrounded,  
Depths no man hath ever sounded,  
None may dare to pierce unbidden  
Secrets that with thee are hidden.
  
- 3 Sun, who all my life dost brighten;  
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;  
Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;  
Fount, whence all my being floweth;  
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,  
Let me be a fit partaker  
Of this blessed food from heaven,  
For our good, thy glory, given.
  
- 4 Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,  
Let me gladly here obey thee;  
Never to my hurt invited,  
Be thy love with love requited:  
From this banquet let me measure,  
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;  
Through the gifts thou here dost give me,  
As thy guest in heaven receive me.

*The People kneel.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

**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.**

*The People stand.*

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CONCLUDING HYMN 400** – Rejoice to-day with one accord

1 Rejoice to-day with one accord,  
Sing out with exultation;  
Rejoice and praise our mighty Lord,  
Whose arm hath brought salvation;  
His works of love proclaim  
The greatness of his Name;  
For he is God alone  
Who hath his mercy shown;  
Let all his saints adore him!

2 When in distress to him we cried,  
He heard our sad complaining;  
O trust in him, whate'er betide,  
His love is all-sustaining;  
Triumphant songs of praise  
To him our hearts shall raise;  
Now every voice shall say,  
'O praise our God alway;'  
Let all his saints adore him!

*EIN' FESTE BURG*  
*Martin Luther, 1529*

*Rev. Sir Henry W. Baker, 1861*

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