

Saint Thomas's Church

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Trinity
Sunday, November 14, 2021

High Mass at 11 o'clock



The Temple of Jerusalem, Herbert J. Gute, 1934
Yale University Art Gallery

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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 Grace Kelso by her husband Clair
and her daughters Charis and Felica and their families;*

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

Celebrant: Fr. Humphrey
Homilist: Fr. Shire
Deacon: Fr. D'Angelo
Reader: Maureen Somerville
Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

*Please note that congregational singing is still not permitted by Covid regulations.
The Choir alone will make sung responses. All are encouraged to make the said responses.*

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Communion Service (Phrygian), *Charles Wood*

PRELUDE: *Elegy, John Ireland*

Please remain seated as the choir enters the church during the prelude. At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the Sacred Ministers.

The Choir alone sings:

INTROIT: Psalm 147.1-11

- 1 O praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God: /
yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.
- 2 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem, / and gather together the outcasts of Israel.
- 3 He healeth those that are broken in heart, / and bindeth up their wounds.
- 4 He telleth the number of the stars, / and calleth them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power: / yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
- 6 The Lord setteth up the meek, / and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
- 7 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving: / sing praises upon the harp unto our God;
- 8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth, /
and maketh grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men;
- 9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle, / and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.
- 10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse, /
neither delighteth he in any man's legs.
- 11 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him, / and put their trust in his mercy.

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.

O praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God: /
yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

Please 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 sings

KYRIE ELEISON

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

Please stand.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high,

People: **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.

The Lord be with you.
R / And with thy spirit.

Please remain standing for the Collect.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12.1-3

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

“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time; but at that time your people shall be delivered, every one whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.”

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

The people remain seated. The Choir alone sings:

PSALM: 16

- 1 Preserve me, O God, / for in thee have I put my trust.
- 2 I have said unto the Lord, 'Thou art my God: / I have no good apart from thee.'
- 3 All my delight is upon the saints that are in the earth, / and upon such as excel in virtue.
- 4 But they that run after another god / shall have great trouble.
- 5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer, /
neither make mention of their names within my lips.
- 6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: /
thou shalt maintain my lot.
- 7 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places: / yea, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8 I will thank the Lord for giving me counsel; /
my heart also instructeth me in the night-season.
- 9 I have set the Lord always before me; / for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
- 10 Wherefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth; / my flesh also shall dwell in safety.
- 11 For why? thou wilt not leave my soul to hell; /
neither wilt thou suffer thy holy one to see corruption.
- 12 Thou shalt show me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy, /
and at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

THE EPISTLE: Hebrews 10:11-25

The Epistle is written in the tenth chapter of the epistle to the Hebrews, beginning at the eleventh verse.

And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, then to wait until his enemies should be made a stool for his feet. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their misdeeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way which he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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

Please stand. The Choir alone sings:

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. Watch at all times, praying that you may stand before the Son of man. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 13.1-8

V / The Lord be with you.

R / **And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel is written in the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St Mark, beginning at the first verse.

R / *Glory be to thee O Lord*

And as Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another, that will not be thrown down." And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign when these things are all to be accomplished?" And Jesus began to say to them, "Take heed that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. And when you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places, there will be famines; this is but the beginning of the birth-pangs."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

SERMON



Codex Zuqninensis, Vat. Syr. 162, 136v from the Vatican Archives.

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: I believe in one God

People: 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, (*Kneel.*) And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, (*Rise.*) 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.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.

Please be seated for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Choir alone.

OFFERTORY HYMN 329 – Father eternal, ruler of creation

- 1 Father eternal, ruler of creation,
Spirit of life, which moved ere form was made,
Through the thick darkness covering every nation,
Light to man's blindness, O be thou our aid:
Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, thy will be done.
- 2 Races and peoples, lo, we stand divided,
And, sharing not our griefs, no joy can share;
By wars and tumults Love is mocked, derided;
His conquering Cross no kingdom wills to bear:
Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, thy will be done.
- 3 Envious of heart, blind-eyed, with tongues confounded,
Nation by nation still goes unforgiven,
In wrath and fear, by jealousies surrounded,
Building proud towers which shall not reach to heaven:
Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, thy will be done.
- 4 Lust of possession worketh desolations;
There is no meekness in the sons of earth;
Led by no star, the rulers of the nations
Still fail to bring us to the blissful birth:
Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, thy will be done.

- 5 How shall we love thee, holy hidden Being,
If we love not the world which thou hast made?
O give us brother-love for better seeing
Thy Word made flesh, and in a manger laid:
Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, thy will be done.

LANGHAM
Laurence Housman, 1919

Geoffrey Shaw, 1919

The people stand 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.**

Please kneel.

INTERCESSIONS

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

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide us 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.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, and we give thanks to God for all that we are thankful for, either silently or aloud_____. May God's abiding presence be with us always, and may we be a blessing to all people.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick_____, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked_____, that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / 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 on their year's mind for_____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O Ancient of Days, thou hast created all the moments of our lives, giving each its meaning and purpose in accordance to thy will. Hear these our prayers and strengthen us, we beseech thee, to witness continually to the love of Christ Jesus, that we may hold fast in times of trial, even unto the end of the ages. **Amen.**

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND 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.**

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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.**

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 sings:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest.

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, FRACTION AND PEACE

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

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.

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you;

R / And with thy spirit.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

Celebrant: 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 sings:

AGNUS DEI

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.

The people may be seated at the ringing of the bell. A sidesperson will direct the flow of communion.

MOTET

So they gave their bodies, *Peter Aston*

So they gave their bodies to the commonwealth and received praise that will never die, and a home in the minds of men. Their story lives on without visible symbol, woven into the stuff of other men's lives.

(From Pericles' Funeral Oration, Athens, 431 B.C.)

Please kneel or sit.

COMMUNION HYMN 379 – O God, our help in ages past

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| 1 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home! | 4 A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun. |
| 2 Beneath the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure. | 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day. |
| 3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same. | 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! |

*ST ANNE
Dr. Wm. Croft*

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719

Please kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: 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.**

Please stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
R / Thanks be to God.

All standing, the Choir alone sings:

CONCLUDING HYMN – O God beyond all praising

- 1 O God beyond all praising,
We worship you today
And sing the love amazing
That songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder
At every gift you send,
At blessings without number
And mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you
And wait upon your word,
We honour and adore you,
Our great and mighty Lord.
- 2 The flower of earthly splendour
in time must surely die,
Its fragile bloom surrender
to you, the Lord most high;
But hidden from all nature
the eternal seed is sown
Though small in mortal stature,
to heaven's garden grown:
For Christ the man from heaven
from death has set us free,
And we through him are given
the final victory.
- 3 Then hear, O gracious Saviour,
Accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favour
May serve you as our king;
And whether our tomorrows
Be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows
And rise to bless you still:
To marvel at your beauty
And glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty
Our sacrifice of praise.

THAXTED
Gustav Holst, 1921

Michael Perry, 1982

The people may be seated. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence during and after the Postlude.

POSTLUDE: *Nimrod, Edward Elgar*