Saint Thomas's Church

Sunday After All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 6, 2022 Sung Mass at 9:30 am



John of Patmos watches the descent of New Jerusalem from God 14th Century Tapestry

Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

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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 Jorma Johannes and Hildur Pekkonen, from daughter Anneli Pekkonen, son-in-law Timothy Wright, and granddaughter Alicia;

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Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of Pauline Porter, by her family.

Celebrant: Fr. Humphrey **Homilist:** Fr. Ipema

Reader: Carroll Guen Hart

Interim Director of Music & Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

MUSIC OF THE MASS: Communion Service, William Mathias

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Chorale Prelude on Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV675, *J.S. Bach*

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

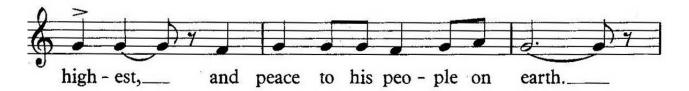
COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

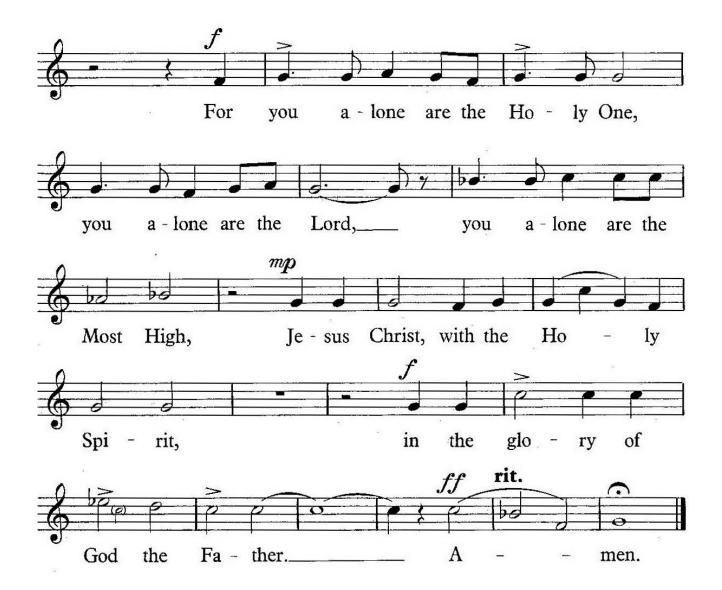
The choir and people sing:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO Communion Service, William Mathias









THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Revelation 21.1-6a

A reading from the book of Revelation.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away." And he who sat upon the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Choir and People sing the response:

PSALM 149



Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in his maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king. R/.

Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp. For the Lord takes pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with victory. Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them be joyful on their beds. **R**/.

Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand; To wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples; To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron; To inflict on them the judgement decreed; this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah! *R*/.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1.9-14

A reading from St Paul's epistle to the Colossians.

And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand. The choir will sing the first three Alleluias, followed by the people; a cantor will sing the verse and then all sing the final three Alleluias.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia. They are before the throne of God, and he who sits upon the throne will shelter them with his presence. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6.20-36

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

And Jesus lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

"But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger. Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false

prophets. But I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to every one who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again. And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The People sit.

SERMON

After the Sermon, the People remain seated for a period of silent reflection, standing when the Celebrant stands.

THE BAPTISM OF DAHLIA AZIBABHOMARE EGIRANI

Daughter of Eleojo Daisy Egirani and the late Dana Egirani

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents I present Dahlia Azibabhomare Egirani to receive the sacrament

of baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present

is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow

into the full stature of Christ?

Parents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and sponsors.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness

that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and

destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of

God?

Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying,

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in her life in Christ?

People We will.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Let us now stand and join with those who are committing themselves to

Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in God the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of

bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as

yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity

of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect,

sustain, and renew the life of the Earth?

People I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Let us now pray for Dahlia, who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

A person appointed leads the following litany.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant and other assistants move to the Font, the baptismal party following after and standing where directed. Those who wish to move for a better view may do so.

THE BLESSING OF THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

The Candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who says,

Dahlia Azibabhomare, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the forehead the child saying,

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

The Celebrant, at a place in the full sight of the congregation, prays over the newly baptized, saying,

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Vidi Aquam, Matthew Larkin

I saw water issuing forth from the Temple, on the right side, alleluia: and all those to whom this water came obtained salvation and they exclaimed: "Alleluia, alleluia."

THE GIVING OF THE LIGHT

One of the ministers will give to the godparents of the newly baptized a candle, saying,

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The People remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.

OFFERTORY HYMN 613 - O, what their joy and their glory must be

- 1 O, what their joy and their glory must be, Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see; Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest; God shall be all, and in all, ever blest.
- What are the Monarch, his court and his throne? What are the peace and the joy that they own? O that the blest ones, who in it have share, All that they feel could as fully declare!

- 3 Truly Jerusalem name that we shore, Vision of peace, that brings joy evermore; Wish and fulfilment can severed be ne'er, Nor the thing prayed for come short of the prayer.
- 4 There, where no troubles distraction can bring, We the sweet anthems of Sion shall sing; While for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise Thy blessèd people eternally raise.
- 5 Now in the meantime, with hearts raised on high, We for that country must yearn and must sigh; Seeking Jerusalem, dear native land, Through our long exile on Babylon's strand.
- 6 Low before him with our praises we fall, Of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all; Of whom, the Father, and in whom, the Son; Through whom, the Spirit, with them ever One.

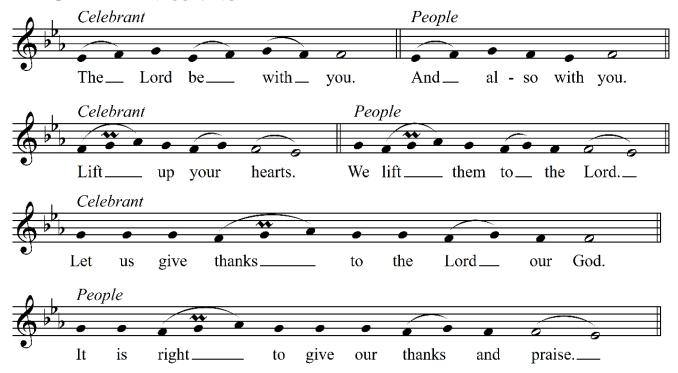
REGNATOR ORBIS (O QUANTA QUALIA) adapted from a melody in La Feillée's Plain Chant, 1808

Tr. (1854) from the Latin of Peter Abelard (12th Cent.) by Rev. J.M. Neale

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

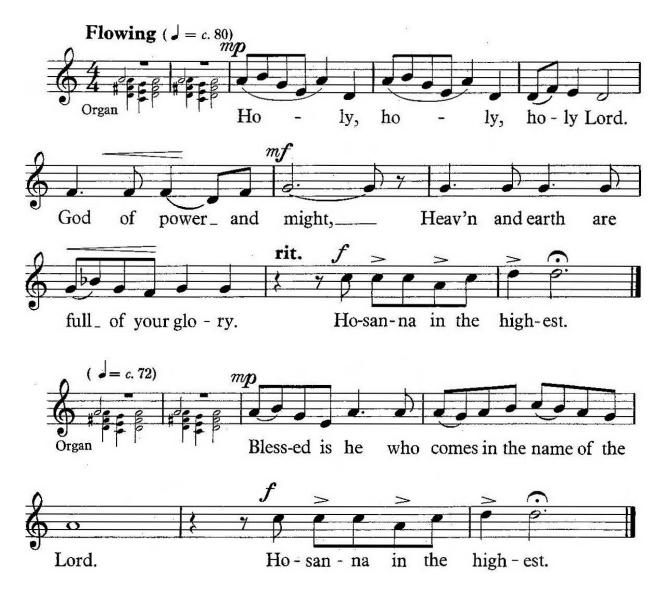
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS



The People remain standing.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

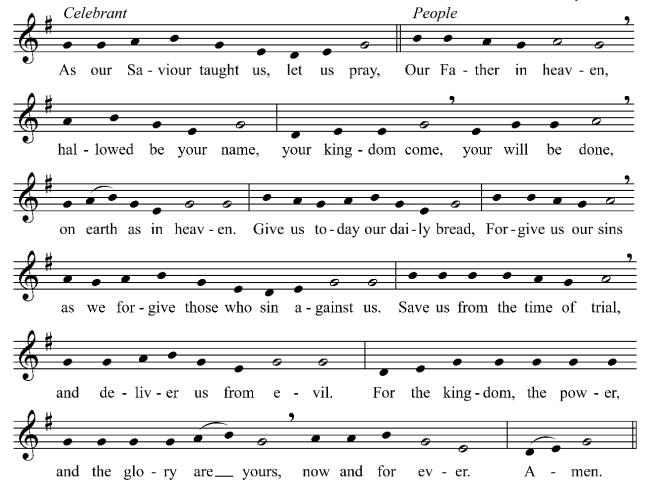
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

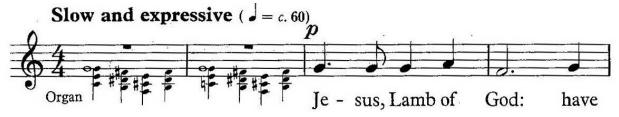
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

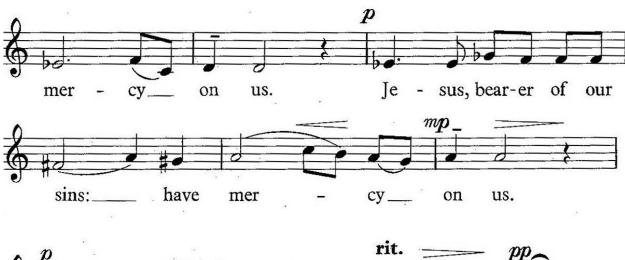
Taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy are they who trust in him!

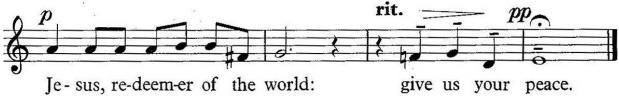
HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI







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 you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God which passes 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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

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

CONCLUDING Hymn 616 - Lo! round the throne, a glorious band

- 1 Lo! round the throne, a glorious band, The saints in countless myriads stand, Of every tongue redeemed to God, Arrayed in garments washed in Blood.
- 2 Through tribulation great they came; They bore the cross, despised the shame; From all their labours now they rest, In God's eternal glory blest.
- 3 They see their Saviour face to face, And sing the triumphs of his grace; Him day and night they ceaseless praise, To him the loud thanksgiving raise;
- 4 'Worthy the Lamb, for sinners slain, Through endless years to live and reign; Thou hast redeemed us by thy Blood, And made us kings and priests to God.'
- 5 O may we tread the sacred road That saints and holy martyrs trod; Wage to the end - the glorious strife, And win, like them, a crown of life.

SOLOTHURN Swiss Traditional Melody Rev. Rowland Hill, 1783

The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Joie et clarté des corps Glorieux (from Les Corps Glorieux), Olivier Messiaen

"Then shall the righteous shine as the sun in their Father's kingdom."

Matthew 13:43

Les Corps Glorieux 'Seven short visions of the life of the resurrected' In Messiaen's vision the life of the resurrected ones is free, luminously coloured. The timbres of the organ reflect these characteristics. 'Joie et clarté,' the sixth vision, is marked by contrasts of both colour and movement; the trumpet 'freudenmotiv' (joy motif) is developed and extended, and ends in an ecstatic flourish. Messiaen completed this work August 25, 1939, just 10 days prior to the outbreak of World War II.