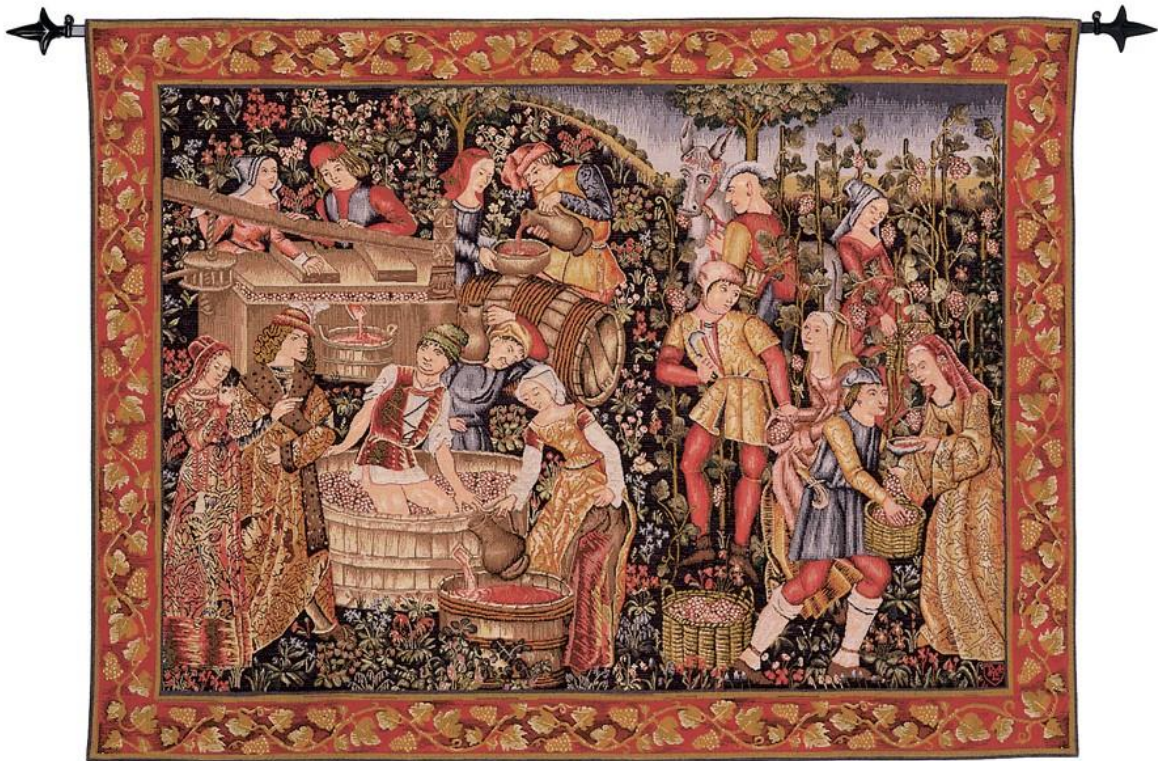


Saint Thomas's Church

**Harvest Thanksgiving
Sunday, October 10, 2021**

**Evensong at 4:00 pm
followed by Coffee Hour**



*This tapestry was woven in France in the late 15th Century.
It can be seen at the Cluny Museum in Paris.*



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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 Alf Hansen,
Mae Hansen, Albert Maslen, and Ila Maslen McArthur,
grandparents of Wendy Hansen-McEachern;*

*Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of Jean and Stanley Somerville,
by Maureen Somerville.*

Officiant: Fr Shire
Cantors: Elizabeth Anderson & Mark Wood-Salomon

PRELUDE: Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 623, *J.S. Bach*

HYMN 393 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near
Joining in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth;
Hast thou not seen
How thy entreaties have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
- 5 Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth his light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.
- 6 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for aye we adore him.

V / O Lord, open thou our lips;
R / *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

V / O God, make speed to save us;
R / *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V / Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R / *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

V / Praise ye the Lord;
R / *The Lord's Name be praised.*

PSALM: 147 - Tone VIII, 1

- 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.
- 12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: / praise thy God, O Sion.
- 13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates, /
and hath blessed thy children within thee.
- 14 He maketh peace in thy borders, / and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.
- 15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth; /
and his word runneth very swiftly.
- 16 He giveth snow like wool, / and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.
- 17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: / who is able to abide his frost?
- 18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: /
he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, / his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.
- 20 He hath not dealt so with any nation; / neither have they knowledge of his laws.

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 28.1-14

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

“And if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments which I command you this day, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God. Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. “The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. The LORD will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; and he will bless you in the land which the LORD your God gives you. The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and walk in his ways. And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of you. And the LORD will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, within the land which the LORD swore to your fathers to give you. The LORD will open to you his good treasury the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands; and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow. And the LORD will make you the head, and not the tail; and you shall tend upward only, and not downward; if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day, being careful to do them, and if you do not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

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

THE MAGNIFICAT
Canticles: *Tone I, 4*

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 – Luke 12.15-24

The Second Lesson is written in the twelfth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the fifteenth verse.

And he said to them, “Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” And he said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat, nor about your body, what you shall put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!”

The word of the Lord
R / Thanks be to God

NUNC DIMITTIS
Canticles: *Tone I, 4*

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.*

*V / The Lord be with you;
R / And with thy spirit.
V / Let us pray.*

*V / Lord, have mercy upon us.
R / Christ, have mercy upon us.
V / 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

Let us pray.

O Almighty and everlasting God, who crownest the year with thy goodness, and hast given unto us the fruits of the earth in their season: Give us grateful hearts, that we may unfeignedly thank thee for all thy loving-kindness, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR TRINITY XIX

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee: Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.*

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