

Saint Thomas's Church

The Twenty-First Sunday After Trinity
Sunday, October 24, 2021

Evensong at 4:00 pm
On Zoom
Followed by Coffee Hour



Jesus Walks on Water and Saves Peter, Bazzi Rahib, Ilyas Basim Khuri 1684
Walters Art Museum, Baltimore, Maryland



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

Those on the High Altar are in loving memory of James Michael Smith;

*Those on the Lady Altar are in memory of loved ones,
by the Rev'd Clement Carelse and Christine Hurlbut-Carelse.*

Officiant: Fr D'Angelo
Cantors: Elizabeth Anderson & Shannon Halliwell-MacDonald

PRELUDE: Fugue in D Minor, *C.P.E. Bach*

HYMN 30 – Hear our prayer, O heavenly Father

- 1 Hear our prayer, O heavenly Father,
Ere we lay us down to sleep;
May thine angels, pure and holy,
Round our bed their vigil keep.
- 2 Heavy though our sins, thy mercy
Far outweighs them every one;
Down before the Cross we cast them,
Trusting in thy help alone.
- 3 None can measure out thy patience
By the span of human thought;
None can bound the tender mercies
Which thy Holy Son has bought.
- 4 Pardon all our past transgressions,
Give us strength for days to come;
Guide and guard us with thy blessing
Till thine angels bear us home.
- 5 Honour, glory, might, dominion,
To the Father and the Son,
With the Everlasting Spirit,
While eternal ages run.

OMNIDIE
Corner's Gesangbuch, 1631
Arr. W.S. Rockstro, 1906

Harriet Parr, 1856

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: 116 - Tone II, 1

- 1 My delight is in the Lord, / because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;
- 2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, /
therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
- 3 The cords of death compassed me round about, /
and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
- 4 I found trouble and heaviness, and I called upon the Name of the Lord: /
'O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.'
- 5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; / yea, our God is merciful.
- 6 The Lord preserveth the simple: / I was in misery and he helped me.
- 7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul; /
for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee.
- 8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, /
mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
- 9 I will walk before the Lord / in the land of the living.
- 10 I trusted even when I spake; but I was sore troubled: /
I said in my haste, 'All men are liars.'
- 11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord /
for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?
- 12 I will take the cup of salvation, / and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 13 I will pay my vows unto the Lord / in the presence of all his people.
- 14 Right dear in the sight of the Lord / is the death of his saints.
- 15 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant: /
I am thy servant and the son of thy handmaid;
thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.
- 16 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, /
and will call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 17 I will pay my vows unto the Lord / in the presence of all his people;
- 18 Even in the courts of the Lord's house, /
and in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

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

PSALM: 117 - *Tone VI*

- 1 O praise the Lord, all ye nations: / laud him, all ye peoples.
- 2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: / and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

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 – Ecclesiasticus 4.11-28

The First Lesson is written in the fourth chapter of the book Ecclesiasticus, beginning at the eleventh verse.

Wisdom exalts her sons and gives help to those who seek her. Whoever loves her loves life, and those who seek her early will be filled with joy. Whoever holds her fast will obtain glory, and the Lord will bless the place she enters. Those who serve her will minister to the Holy One; the Lord loves those who love her. He who obeys her will judge the nations, and whoever gives heed to her will dwell secure. If he has faith in her he will obtain her; and his descendants will remain in possession of her. For at first she will walk with him on tortuous paths, she will bring fear and cowardice upon him, and will torment him by her discipline until she trusts him, and she will test him with her ordinances. Then she will come straight back to him and gladden him, and will reveal her secrets to him. If he goes astray she will forsake and hand him over to his ruin. Observe the right time, and beware of evil; and do not bring shame on yourself. For there is a shame which brings sin, and there is a shame which is glory and favour. Do not show partiality, to your own harm, or deference, to your downfall. Do not refrain from speaking at the crucial time, and do not hide your wisdom. For wisdom is known through speech, and education through the words of the tongue. Never speak against the truth, but be mindful of your ignorance. Do not be ashamed to confess your sins, and do not try to stop the current of a river. Do not subject yourself to a foolish fellow, nor show partiality to a ruler. Strive even to death for the truth and the Lord God will fight for you.

Here endeth the first Lesson

THE MAGNIFICAT
Canticles: *Tone V, 3*

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 – Matthew 14.13-33

The Second Lesson is written in the fourteenth chapter according to the Gospel of Saint Matthew, beginning at the thirteenth verse.

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a lonely place apart. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. As he went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Here endeth the second Lesson

NUNC DIMITTIS

Canticles: *Tone III, 1*

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.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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