

Saint Thomas's Church
The Twentieth Sunday After Trinity
Sunday, October 25, 2020

Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock



*Late 17th or early 18th century embroidered cross from an Omophorion.
This embroidered cross depicts the Crucifixion of Christ and the Pentecost,
surrounded, respectively, by the writers of the Gospels and four prophets.*



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MUSIC OF THE MASS – Communion Service in B^b, *Edward Bairstow*

PRELUDE: Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654, *J.S. Bach*

INTROIT: Psalm 105.1-7 Ant. vv 3b & 4, *Tone VII, 7*

- 1 O give thanks unto the LORD, and call upon his Name; /
tell the peoples what things he hath done.
- 2 O let your songs be of him and praise him; /
and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.
- 3 Rejoice in his holy Name: /
let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.
- 4 Seek the LORD and his strength: / seek his face evermore.
- 5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done, /
his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth;
- 6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, /
ye children of Jacob, his chosen.
- 7 HE is the LORD our God: /
his judgements are in all the world.

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.

Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD. Seek the LORD and his strength: / seek his face evermore.

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.*

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,

All: **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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18

And the LORD said to Moses, “Say to all the congregation of the people of Israel, You shall be holy; for I the LORD your God am holy. “You shall do no injustice in judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbour. You shall not go up and down as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand forth against the life of your neighbour: I am the LORD. “You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason with your neighbour, lest you bear sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the LORD.

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

PSALM 1

- 1 Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly,
nor stood in the way of sinners, /
and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.
- 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; /
and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
- 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side, /
that bringeth forth his fruit in due season,
- 4 Whose leaf also doth not wither; /
and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

- 5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them; /
but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away
from the face of the earth.
- 6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement, /
neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
- 7 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous; /
but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

THE EPISTLE: 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8

For you yourselves know, brethren, that our visit to you was not in vain; but though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the face of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from error or uncleanness, nor is it made with guile; but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please men, but to please God who tests our hearts. For we never used either words of flattery, as you know, or a cloak for greed, as God is witness; nor did we seek glory from men, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse taking care of her children. So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

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

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 14.23

Alleluia. Alleluia. If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 22.34-46

R / Glory be to thee O Lord

But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sad'ducees, they came together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of Christ

R / Praise be to thee, O Christ

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: I believe in one God

All: 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, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, 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.

SERMON

OFFERTORY

Please stand for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor only

OFFERTORY HYMN 580 – Thy life was given for me

- 1 Thy life was given for me,
Thy blood, O Lord, was shed,
That I might ransomed be,
And quickened from the dead;
Thy life was given for me;
What have I given for thee?
- 2 Long years were spent for me
In weariness and woe,
That through eternity
Thy glory I might know;
Long years were spent for me;
Have I spent one for thee?
- 3 Thy Father's home of light,
Thy rainbow-circled throne,
Were left for earthly night,
For wanderings sad and lone;
Yea, all was left for me;
Have I left aught for thee?

- 4 Thou, Lord hast borne for me
More than my tongue can tell
Of bitterest agony,
To rescue me from hell;
Thou sufferedst all for me;
What have I borne for thee?
- 5 And thou hast brought to me
Down from thy home above
Salvation full and free,
Thy pardon and thy love;
Great gifts thou broughtest me;
What have I brought to thee?
- 6 O let my life be given,
My years for thee be spent;
World-fetters all be riven,
And joy with suffering blent,
Thou gavest thyself for me,
I give myself to thee.

PRESENTATION
Frances Ridley Havergal, 1858

Healey Willan, 1927

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.*

1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14

Please kneel

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Brothers and sisters 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 Andrew our bishop, Jenny our area bishop, and for all the clergy and laity who serve God's people, especially in this parish; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury and Linda our Primate.

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; for all entrusted with promoting and protecting our health and safety during the pandemic; for justice and peace among 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, especially _____; for the elderly and isolated, especially _____; for prisoners; for those who mourn and all for whom we have been asked to pray, especially _____

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for 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: Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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.

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 Cantor sings:

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the
Lord: Hosanna in the highest.*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving . . . 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:

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 Cantor sings:

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.

MOTET: Ermuntre dich, BWV 180; *J.S. Bach*

Arouse yourself: your Saviour knocks, ah, quickly open the gate of your heart! Even though, in enraptured delight, only half-broken words of joy can you speak to your Jesus.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please kneel

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.*

POSTLUDE: Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot, BWV 635, *J.S. Bach*

*Sidespeople will direct the congregation to exit the church beginning from the back pews.
Those who wish to remain to the end of the Postlude may do so.*