Saint Thomas's Church The Twenty-First Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, October 29, 2023

High Mass at 11:00 am



Christ Among the Pharisees, Jacob Jordaens, c. 1660 The Phoebus Foundation, Antwerp, Belgium

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, though we hope you will avail yourself of **coffee hour in the parish hall** following this service, if possible. 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

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Celebrant: Fr. Nathan Humphrey **Deacon & Homilist:** Fr. James Shire

Reader: Maureen Somerville

Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS

Mass for Five Voices, William Byrd (1543-1623)

VOLUNTARY

Angel's Song, Healey Willan (1888-1968)

Entrance Hymn 1 – Holy, Holy, Holy!



- 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty, God in Three Persons, Blessèd Trinity!
- 2 Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea: Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty, God in Three Persons, Blessèd Trinity!

NICAEA Rev J.B. Dykes, 1861 Bishop R. Heber, 1827

The People 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 alone sings the Kyrie.

KYRIE ELEISON

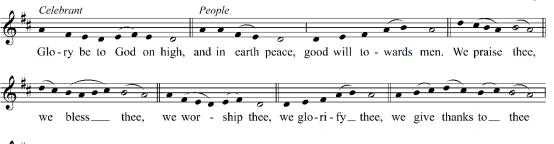
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

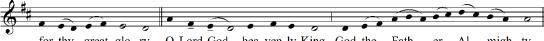
Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie Eleison.

The People stand.

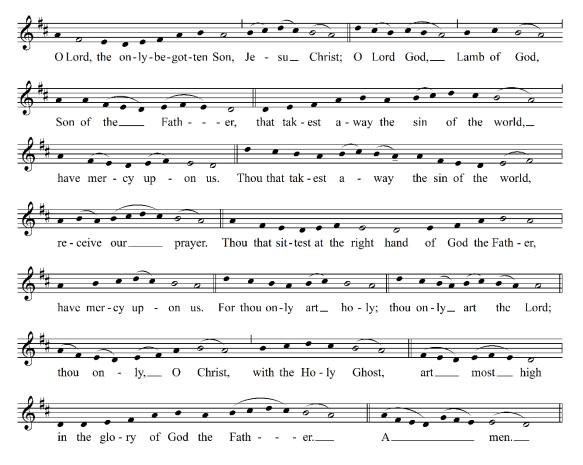
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Missa de Angelis





for thy great glo-ry, O Lord God hea-ven-ly King, God the Fath - er_ Al - migh-ty.



The People remain standing for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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.**

FIRST LESSON

Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18

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

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated for the Psalm.

PSALM 90.1-6,14-18

Domine, refugium



Cantor People 1 LORD, THOU hast been our re-fuge:

from one generation to an-öth-er.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world **were** made:

thou art God from everlasting, and world with-out end.

Cantor

3 Thou turnest man back to **the** dust:

and thou sayest, 'Return, ye chil-dren öf men.'

People 4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it **is** past : and as a **watch** in thë night.

Cantor	5	Thou carriest them away as with a flood, and they are even as a
		sleep: in the morning they are like grass that gröw-eth up.
People	6	In the morning it is green and grow-eth up:
		but in the evening it is cut down and with-er-ed.
Cantor	14	Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last:
		and be gracious un-to thy sër-vants.
People	15	O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon:
		so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
Cantor	16	Comfort us again according to the time that thou hast afflict-ed us:
		and for the years wherein we have suffer- ed ad-vër-si ² ty.
People	17	Show thy servants thy work : and their chil- dren thy glö-ry.
Cantor	18	And let the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be up-on us:
People		prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou
		our hän-dy-work.

THE EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8

The Epistle is written in the second chapter of St Paul's first Epistle to the Thessalonians, beginning at the first verse.

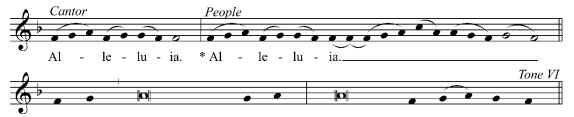
You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, 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 tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Cantor

IF YOU love me, you will keep **my** word : and my Father will love you, and **we** will come to you.

The People repeat the Alleluia from the asterisk.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22.34-46

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty second chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the thirty fourth <u>verse</u>.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' Jesus 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 greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies

under your feet?" If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

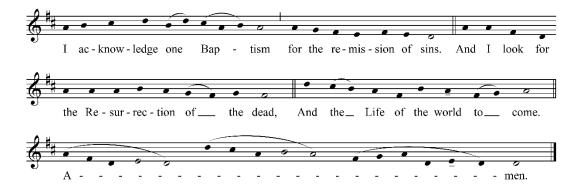
The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

SERMON

The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at "and was incarnate," rising after "and was made man."







OFFERTORY SENTENCE

And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 379

O God our help in ages past

- O God, our help in ages past,Our hope for years to come,Our shelter from the stormy blast,And our eternal home!
- 2 Beneath the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly, forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.
- O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come;
 Be thou our guard while troubles last,
 And our eternal home!

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S^{T}ANNE
Dr. Wm. Croft, 1708
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Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719

The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censing.

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.**

The People kneel.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for_____ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for _____ according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for ____ according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (Silence.)



Intercessor: I bid your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. (Silence.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and Sudan, and all other places we now name, silently or aloud. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for _____.] And for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud _____. May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. (Silence.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

<i>Intercessor</i> : I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick,	and for all
those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for r	efugees and
migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others to	for whom our
prayers are asked May God grant that they will be comforted	by the ever-
present love of our Lord. (Silence.)	

Lord, in thy mercy,

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 those whose year's mind is at this time _____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace and rise in glory. (Silence.)

Lord, in thy mercy,

We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of thy people; in the multitude of thy mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to thee for help; for thou art gracious, O lover of souls, and to thee we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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.

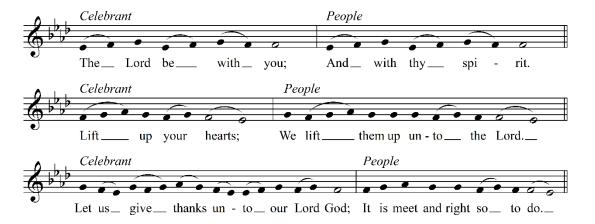
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily 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.

The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.

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.**

The People remain kneeling.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



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 alone sings:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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. Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

♣ Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

The Celebrant continues,

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.

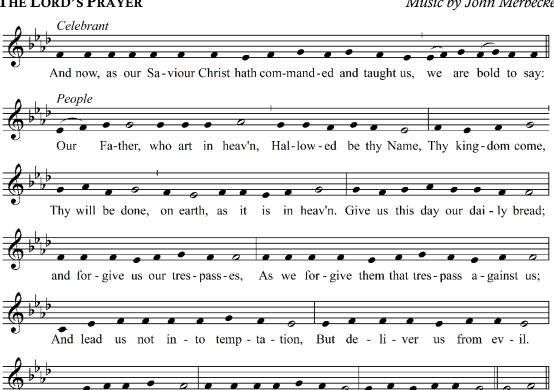
Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal 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,



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Music by John Merbecke



For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, For ey-er and ey-er.

FRACTION & PEACE

A period of silence is kept. The consecrated Bread is broken.



PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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 Choir alone 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.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

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 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 thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy 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.

Мотет

'Ego flos campi,' Jacobus Clemens non Papa (1510-1555)

Ego flos campi et lilium convallium. Sicut lilium inter spinas sic amica mea inter filias. Fons hortorum et puteus aquarum viventium quae fluunt impetu de Libano.

I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys. As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters. A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

Song of Solomon

COMMUNION HYMN 664

My God, I love thee

- My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby,
 Nor yet because who love thee not Are lost eternally.
 Thou, O Lord Jesus, thou didst me Upon the Cross embrace;
 For me didst bear the nails, and spear, And manifold disgrace,
- 2 And griefs and torments numberless, And sweat of agony; Yea, death itself; and all for me Who was thine enemy. Then why, O blessèd Jesu Christ, Should I not love thee well? Not for the sake of winning heaven, Or of escaping hell;
- Not with the hope of gaining aught,
 Not seeking a reward;
 But as thyself hast loved me,
 O ever-loving Lord.
 So would I love thee, dearest Lord,
 And in thy praise will sing,
 Solely because thou are my God,
 And my most loving King.

THIRD MODE MELODY Thomas Tallis 1515-85 Tr. (8149) from the Latin, 17th cent., by Rev. E. Caswall

The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.**

The People stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN 7

Forth in thy Name, O Lord

- 1 Forth in thy Name, O Lord, I go, My daily labour to pursue; Thee, only thee, resolved to know, In all I think, or speak, or do.
- 2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfil; In all my works thy presence find, And prove thy good and perfect will.
- 3 Thee may I set at my right hand, Whose eyes my inmost substance see, And labour on at thy command, And offer all my works to thee.
- 4 Give me to bear thy easy yoke, And every moment watch and pray, And still to things eternal look, And hasten to thy glorious day;
- For thee delightfully employ
 Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
 And run my course with even joy,
 And closely walk with thee to heaven.

ANGEL'S SONG Original version of melody by Orlando Gibbons, 1623 Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749

VOLUNTARY

Fugue in E^b Major, BWV 552, J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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

Coffee Hour follows this service in the Parish Hall.

The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.

Those at the High Altar are in loving memory of Jorma Johannes, Hildur Pekkonen, and Paul Pekkonen, from Anneli Pekkonen, Timothy Wright, and Alicia.

and

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

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