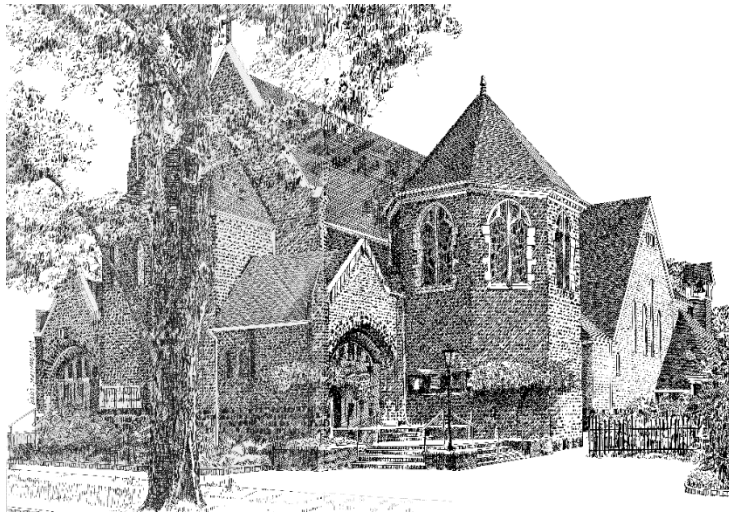




The Feast of the Dedication
Sunday, October 3, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am



Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

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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 George C. Hitchman,
by his daughter Barbara, and family;*

Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of Pamela McCoy.

Celebrant: Fr. Shire
Homilist: Fr. D'Angelo
Cantor: Jennifer McCallum
Reader: David Jones
Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

MUSIC OF THE MASS – A Unison Communion, *Herbert Summison*

PRELUDE: Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr, BWV 662, *J.S. Bach*

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

GREETING

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

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: **One God and Father of all.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, watchful and caring, our source and our end, all that we are and all that we have is yours. Accept us now, as we give thanks to you for this place where we have come to praise your name, to ask your forgiveness, to know your healing power, to hear your word, and to be nourished by the body and blood of your Son, to illumine and to bless your people. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 8.22-23, 27-30

A reading from the first book of the Kings:

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven; and said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to thy servants who walk before thee with all their heart; But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built! Yet have regard to the prayer of thy servant and to his supplication, O Lord my God, hearkening to the cry and to the prayer which thy servant prays before thee this day; that thy eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which thou hast said, 'My name shall be there,' that thou mayest hearken to the prayer which thy servant offers toward this place. And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant and of thy people Israel, when they pray toward this place; yea, hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place; and when thou hearest, forgive."

The word of the Lord.

R / Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 84.1-6

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. *R/*.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you. Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. *R/*.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water. They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion. *R/*.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2.1-5, 9-10

A reading from the first Epistle of Saint Peter:

So put away all malice and all guile and insincerity and envy and all slander. Like newborn babes, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation; for you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. Come to him, to that living stone, rejected by men but in God's sight chosen and precious; and like living stones be yourselves built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were no people but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy.

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

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord: for my name to be there for ever. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 21.12-16

V / The Lord be with you.

R / **And also with you.**

V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

R / **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

And Jesus entered the temple of God and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you make it a den of robbers." And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant; and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast brought perfect praise'?"

The Gospel of Christ.

R / **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

The People remain seated until invited by the Celebrant to stand.

THE BAPTISM OF ANNA TIAN LIU

Daughter of Michael Shuhui Liu and Spring Xiaochun Wu

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

- Celebrant:* The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
Parents I present Anna Tian Liu 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 these persons in their 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

Celebrant: Let us now pray for Anna Tian Liu 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.**

During the following hymn, 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, maintaining social distance.

HYMN 427 – He who would valiant be

- 1 He who would valiant be
`Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.
- 2 Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound –
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.
- 3 Since, Lord, thou dost defend
Us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim.

*Monks Gate
Adapted from an English Traditional Melody*

J. Bunyan (1684), and others

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

The People remain standing, facing the Baptistry.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant:

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 then pours water upon the candidate, saying,
Anna Tian, 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 with chrism 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.**

THE GIVING OF THE LIGHT

One of the ministers may then give to the parents of the newly baptized a lighted candle, saying,
Receive the light of Christ, to show that Anna has passed from darkness to light.

When the newly baptized has received her candle, the people say,

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

The Ministers and the baptismal party move to the back of the church, facing East. The People face them and the Celebrant continues,

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: **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 Ministers lead the baptismal party into the nave as all return to their pews. The Celebrant says,

THE PEACE

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you.

R / **And also with you.**

Please remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor alone

OFFERTORY HYMN 346 – Only begotten, Word of God eternal

- 1 Only-begotten, Word of God eternal,
Lord of Creation, merciful and mighty,
List to thy servants, when their tuneful voices
Rise to thy presence.
- 2 Thus in our solemn Feast of Dedication,
Graced with returning rites of due devotion,
Ever thy children, year by year rejoicing,
Chant in thy temple.
- 3 Here in our sickness healing grace aboundeth,
Light in our blindness, in our toil refreshment;
Sin is forgiven, hope o'er fear prevaleth,
Joy over sorrow.
- 4 Hallowed this dwelling where the Lord abideth,
This is none other than the gate of heaven;
Strangers and pilgrims, seeking homes eternal,
Pass through its portals.
- 5 Lord, we beseech thee, as we throng thy temple,
By thy past blessings, by thy present bounty,
Smile on thy children, and with tender mercy
Hear our petitions.
- 6 God in Three Persons, Father everlasting,
Son co-eternal, ever-blessèd Spirit,
Thine be the glory, praise and adoration,
Now and for ever.

ISTE CONFESSOR
Angers Church Melody

from the Latin, c. 9th century
Tr. (1884) M.J. Blacker

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Father, hear the prayers of your faithful people. Grant that all who celebrate this Eucharist may please you by the offering of themselves and the fulfilling of your will. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

V / The Lord be with you.

R / **And also with you.**

V / Lift up your hearts.

R / **We lift them to the Lord.**

V / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R / **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is a right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heav'n and earth, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and pray'r which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

It is right and a good and joy-ful thing, al-ways and everywhere to
give thanks to you, Fa-ther Almighty, Cre-a-tor of heav'n and
earth, through Je-sus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as
living stones of a ho-ly tem-ple, that we might of-fer be-fore you a
sac-ri-fice of praise and pray'r which is ho-ly and pleas-ing in your sight.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

The cantor sings

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The People may remain standing, sit, or kneel as desired.

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."

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: **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 LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

People: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Cantor sings:

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
WHICH MAY BE SAID 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

**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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father, you have given us this time of joy and have nourished us in the heavenly things. Grant that we may show in our lives the love of Christ who is our God and Saviour. **Amen.**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Christ, whose glory is in the heavens, fill this house and illuminate our hearts; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Cantor alone sings:

CONCLUDING HYMN 372 – O Praise ye the Lord

1 O PRAISE ye the LORD!
Praise him in the height;
Rejoice in his Word,
Ye angels of light;
Ye heavens, adore him
By whom ye were made,
And worship before him,
In brightness arrayed.

2 O praise ye the LORD!
Praise him upon earth,
In tuneful accord,
Ye sons of new birth;
Praise him who hath brought you
His grace from above,
Praise him who hath taught you
To sing of his love.

LAUDATE DOMINUM
H.J. Gauntlett, 1875

3 O praise ye the LORD,
All things that give sound;
Each jubilant chord,
Re-echo around;
Loud organs, his glory
Forth tell in deep tone,
And sweet harp, the story
Of what he hath done.

4 O praise ye the LORD!
Thanksgiving and song
To him be outpoured
All ages along:
For love in creation,
For heaven restored,
For grace of salvation
O praise ye the LORD!

Rev. Sir H.W. Baker, 1875