

Saint Thomas's Church
Harvest Thanksgiving
Sunday, October 8, 2023
High Mass at 11:00 am



Harvest Time, Myles Birket Foster, c. 1880
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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

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion, indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

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

Those at the High Altar are in loving memory of Hilda and James Short;

and

Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of friends and relatives by Marlene Fader.



St. Thomas's relies on the generosity of those whose offerings reflect gratitude for God's own generosity to us. To make a secure gift online, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera app, or visit qrco.de/smokytops. Scroll to the bottom of the webpage to fill out the online form. **We no longer pass the plate, so if you want to give the old-fashioned way, an alms basin is available in the narthex.**

Celebrant: Fr. James Shire
Deacon: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Homilist: Fr. Theo Ipema
Reader: David Kent
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS Missa *Ædis Christi*, William Mathias (1934-1992)

VOLUNTARY Nun danket alle Gott, Georg Friedrich Kaufmann (1679-1735)

ENTRANCE HYMN 307 Come, ye thankful people, come

- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come,
 Raise the song of harvest-home!
 All is safely gathered in,
 Ere the winter storms begin:
 God, our Maker, doth provide
 For our wants to be supplied:
 Come to God's own temple, come,
 Raise the song of harvest-home!

- 2 All the world is God's own field,
 Fruit unto his praise to yield;
 Wheat and tares together sown,
 Unto joy or sorrow grown;
 First the blade, and then the ear,
 Then the full corn shall appear;
 Lord of harvest, grant that we
 Wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall in that day
All offences purge away;
Give his angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly come,
To thy final harvest-home!
Gather thou thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There for ever purified,
In thy presence to abide:
Come, with all thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home.

ST GEORGE
Sir G.J. Elvey, 1858

Dean Henry Alford, 1844

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 Cantor and People sing the Kyrie.

KYRIE ELEISON

Missa de Angelis

1. Cantor People
Ky - ri - - - e - - - - - - - le - i - son.

2. People 3. Cantor
Ky - ri - - - e - - - - - - - le - i - son.

1. People 2. Cantor 3. People
Chri - ste - - - - - - - le - i - son.

1. Cantor 2. People
Ky - ri - e - - - - - - - le - i - son.

Cantor People
Ky - ri - e - - - - - - - le - i - son.

The People stand. The Choir alone sings the Gloria.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Missa Ædis Christi

Glory be to God on high,
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.

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax hominibus
bonæ voluntatis
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

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 People remain standing for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
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. **Amen.**

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in ✠ gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 8.7-18

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

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

The word of the Lord.

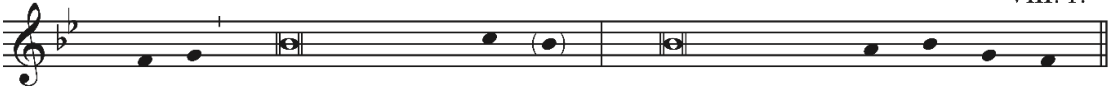
Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated for the Psalm.

PSALM 65

Te decet hymnus

VIII. 1.



- Cantor* 1 PRAISE IS due to thee, O God, in **Si**-on :
People and unto thee shall the vow be perform-ed **in** Je-ru-sa^lem.
2 Thou that hearest the **prayer** : unto **thee** shall all flesh[^]come.
- Cantor* 3 My misdeeds prevail a-**gainst** me : O be thou merciful **un**-to our sins.
People 4 Bless-ed is the man whom thou choolest and re-**ceiv**-est :
that he may **dw**ell in thy courts.
- Cantor* 5 We shall be satisfi-ed with the pleasures of thy **house** :
even of thy **ho**-ly tem-ple.
- People* 6 Thou shalt show us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of
our sal-**va**-tion : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth,
and of them that remain **in** the broad sea;
- Cantor* 7 Who in his strength setteth fast the **moun**-tains :
and is gird-**ed** a-bout with[^]power;
- People* 8 Who stilleth the raging of the **seas** : the roaring of their waves,
and the tumult **of** the peo-ples.
- Cantor* 9 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth
are afraid at thy **to**-kens :
thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and
even-**ing** to praise thee.
- People* 10 Thou visitest the earth and **wa**-ter[^]est[^]it :
thou makest it **ve**-ry plen-teous.
- Cantor* 11 The river of God is full of **wa**-ter :
thou preparest their grain, for so thou pro-**vi**-dest for the[^]earth.
- People* 12 Thou waterest her furrows, smoothing the ridges there-**of** : thou
makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the **in**-crease of it.
- Cantor* 13 Thou crownest the year with thy **good**-ness :
and thy paths **drip** with fat-ness.
- People* 14 The pastures of the wilderness **drip** :
and the little hills re-**joice** on ev-ery[^]side.
- Cantor* 15 The pastures are cloth-ed with **flocks** :
People the valleys also stand so thick with grain **that** they laugh and[^]sing.

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 9.6-15

The Epistle is written in in the ninth chapter of St Paul's second epistle to the Corinthians, beginning at the sixth verse.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor Al - le - lu - ia. * Al - le - lu - ia. _____
People Al - le - lu - ia. _____ *Tone VI*

Cantor THEY THAT sow **in** tears : **shall** reäp in joy.

The People repeat the Alleluia from the asterisk.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17.11-19

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the seventeenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Luke beginning at the eleventh verse.

Glory be to thee O Lord.

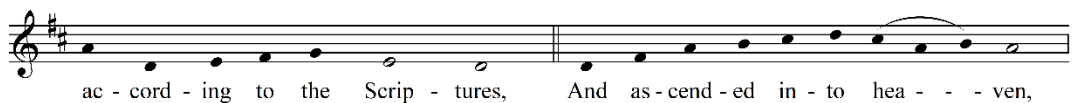
On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

The Gospel of Christ.

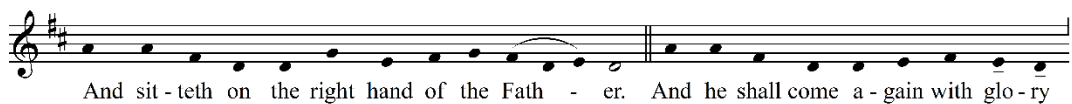
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

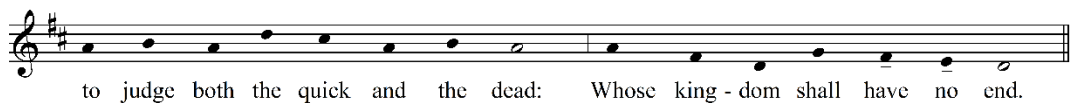
SERMON



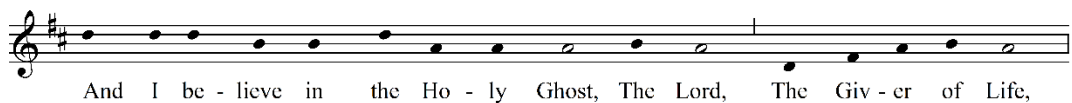
ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to hea - - - ven,



And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fath - er. And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry



to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose king - dom shall have no end.



And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord, The Giv - er of Life,



Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fath - er and the Son, Who with the Fath - er and the Son



to - geth - er is wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fi - ed, Who spake by the Pro - - phets.



And I be - lieve One, Ho - ly, Cath - o - lic, and A - po - sto - lic Church.



I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins. And I look for



the Re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, And the Life of the world to come.



A - - - - - men.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 393 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

- All* 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.
- All* 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?
- Upper Voices* 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.
- Lower Voices* 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.
- All* 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.

All 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.

LOBE DEN HERREN
Stralsund Gesängbuch, 1665

J. Neander (1680)
Tr. (1863) C. Winkworth and others

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 *People*



Lord, in thy mer - cy, we be - seech thee, hear our prayer.

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 Ukraine, Sudan, and Mali 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.

Intercessor: 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 refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others 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: Free us O God from all fear and worry that, trusting in thy goodness, we may always praise thy mighty deeds and give thee thanks for the bounty of thy gifts. All this we pray through Christ Jesus 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.

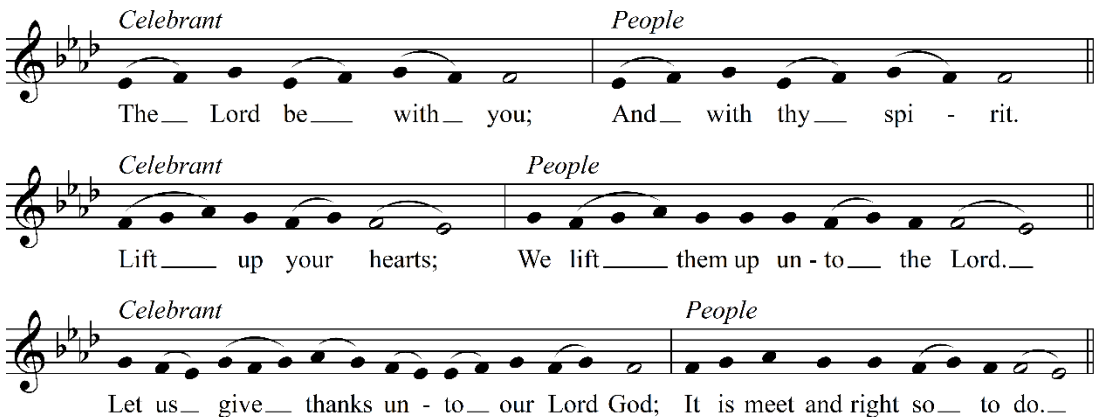
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily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

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



Celebrant *People*
The__ Lord be__ with__ you; And__ with thy__ spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*
Lift__ up your hearts; We lift__ them up un - to__ the Lord.__

Celebrant *People*
Let us__ give__ thanks un - to__ our Lord God; 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. 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 to 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 musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The 'Celebrant' part consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, followed by a half note G4. The 'People' part consists of a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, and a half note B4. The lyrics are placed below the notes.


Celebrant *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out end. A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER


Music by John Merbecke

Celebrant




And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:


People



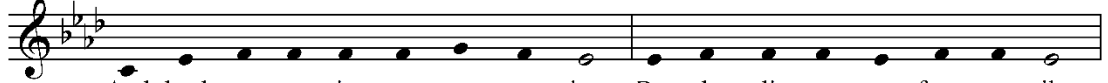
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,



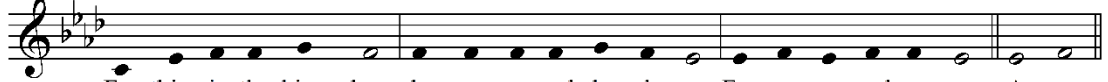
Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us;



And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-li-ver us from ev-il.

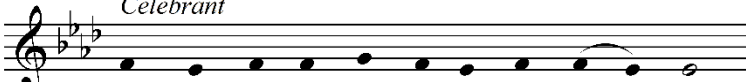


For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

FRACTION & PEACE


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

Celebrant



The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.

People



And with thy spi-rit.

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.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
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O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.	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 shouldst 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.

MOTET

‘Blessed be the Lord for his land,’ Derek Holman (1931-2019)

Blessed be the Lord for his land; For the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath, for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon; for the choicest gifts of the ancient mountains, and the treasures of the everlasting hills. Blessèd be the Lord for his land, and blessed be he for the fullness thereof. Alleluia.

(Deuteronomy 33.13-16)

The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.

COMMUNION HYMN 312 – Praise to God, immortal praise

All 1 Praise to God, immortal praise,
For the love that crowns our days;
Bounteous source of every joy,
Let thy praise our tongues employ:

Lower 2 For the blessings of the fields,
Voices For the stores the garden yields,
Flocks that whiten all the plain;
Yellow sheaves of ripened grain:

Upper 3 All that spring with bounteous hand
Voices Scatters o’er the smiling land:
All that liberal autumn pours
From her rich o’erflowing stores.

All 4 These, to thee, O God, we owe:
Source whence all our blessings flow;
And for these our souls shall raise
Grateful vows and solemn praise.

ORIENTIS PARTIBUS
medieval French c 12th Century

Anna L. Barbauld, 1772

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

May the God of mercy, who so freely bestoweth his manifold gifts upon us, grant you a thankful heart to receive all the wonders of creation; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you this holy day, 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 305 – Now thank we all our God

- 1 Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.
- 2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Holy Ghost,
Supreme in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

NUN DANKET
J. Crüger, 1647

Tr from the German of Rev M. Rinkart (1636)
by Catherine Winkworth

VOLUNTARY

Sinfonia from Cantata 29, 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.

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