Saint Thomas's Church

The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

Sunday, September 10, 2023 Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



Carnation, Lily, Lily, Rose, John Singer Sargent, 1885 Tate Britain

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. 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

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

Those at the High Altar and on the Lady Altar are in loving memory of Esme, Ed, and Steve Read, given by Geoff Read.



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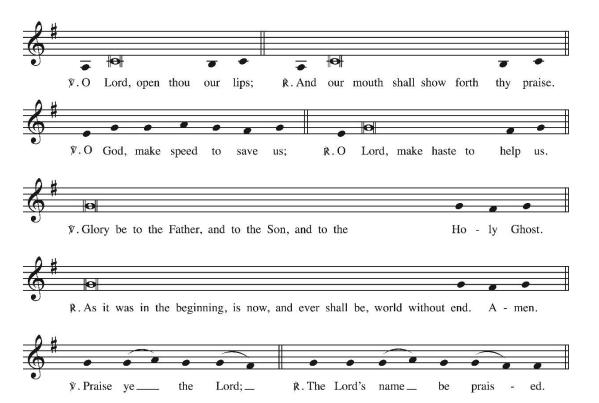
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Officiant: Fr. Theo Ipema Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson Assistant Director of Music: Manuel Piazza

VOLUNTARY

The People stand at the sound of the bell.

PRECES



PSALM 78, Pt 2



- Cantor 42 MAN-Y a time did God's people rebel against him in the wil-der-ness : People and grieve him in the de-sert.
 - 43 They turned back and tempt-ed God: and provoked the Holy **One** of Is²ra-el.
- Cantor 44 They thought not of **his** hand: and of the day when he delivered them from the hand **of** the en-e-my;
- People 45 How he had wrought his miracles in **E**-gypt : and his wonders in the **field** of Zo-an.
- Cantor 46 He turned their rivers in-to blood: so that they could not **drink** of their streams.
- *People* 47 He sent among them swarms of flies, which devour**-ed** them : and frogs, **which** de-stroy⁻ed them.
- Cantor 48 He gave their fruit unto the cater-pil-lar: and their labour un-to the lo-cust.
- People 49 He destroyed their vines with **hail**-stones: and their sycamore-**trees** with the frost.
- Cantor 50 He smote their cattle also with hail-stones: and their flocks with hot thund-er-bolts.
- People 51 He cast upon them the fury of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and **trou**-ble: a band of de-**stroy**-ing an-gels.
- Cantor 52 He made a way for his indignation, and spared not their soul **from** death: but gave their life over **to** the pes²ti-lence;
- People 53 And smote all the first-born in **E**-gypt : the firstlings of their strength in the **dwell**-ings of Ham.
- Cantor 54 But as for his own people, he led them forth **like** sheep: and guided them in the wil-**der**-ness like a flock.
- *People* 55 He brought them out safely, that they did **not** fear : and overwhelmed their en-**e**-mies in the sea.

- Cantor 56 He brought them unto his holy **bor**-der: even to the mountain which he had purchased **with** his right hand.
- People 57 He cast out the nations also be-**fore** them: caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to **dwell** in their tents.
- Cantor 58 Yet they tempted and rebelled against the Most **High** God: and kept not his **tes**-ti-mon-ies;
- People 59 But turned back, and fell away like their fore-**fa**-thers : starting aside **like** a bro-ken bow.
- Cantor 60 For they grieved him with their hill-al-tars: and provoked him to displeasure with their i-mag-es.
- People 61 When God heard this, he was wroth: and took sore displea-sure at Is²ra-el;
- Cantor 62 So that he forsook the tabernacle in **Shi**-loh: even the tent that he had pitch-**ed** a-mong men.
- People 63 He delivered his strength into captiv-i-ty: and his glory into the en-e-my's hand.
- Cantor 64 He gave his people over also unto **the** sword : and was wroth with **his** in-he⁻ri-tance.
- People 65 The fire consumed their **young** men: and their maidens were not giv-**en** to mar-riage.
- Cantor 66 Their priests were slain with **the** sword : and their widows made no **la**-men-ta-tion.
- People 67 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep: and like a giant re-fresh-ed with wine.
- Cantor 68 He smote his enemies **back**-ward: and put them to a per-**pet**-u-al shame.
- *People* 69 He refused the tabernacle of **Jo**-seph: and chose not the **tribe** of Eph²ra-im;
- Cantor 70 But chose the tribe of **Ju**-dah: even the hill of Sion **which** he lov-ed.
- People 71 And he built his sanctuary like the heights **of** heav'n: and like the earth which he hath found-**ed** for ev-er.
- Cantor 72 He chose David also his **ser**-vant : and took him away **from** the sheep-folds.
- *People* 73 As he was following the ewes with their young he **brought** him: that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel **his** in-he²ri-tance.



Cantor 74 So he fed them with a faithful and **true** heart : and ruled them prudent-**ly** with all his power.

People Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** the Ho-ly Ghost;

Cantor As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :

People world with-out end. A-men.

FIRST LESSON Daniel 3

The First Lesson is written in the book of the prophet Daniel, in the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

King Nebuchadnezzar made a golden statue whose height was sixty cubits and whose width was six cubits; he set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. Then King Nebuchadnezzar sent for the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counsellors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to assemble and come to the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. So the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counsellors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, assembled for the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. When they were standing before the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had set up, the herald proclaimed aloud, 'You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, that when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, you are to fall down and worship the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. Whoever does not fall down and worship shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire.' Therefore, as soon as all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshipped the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

Accordingly, at this time certain Chaldeans came forward and denounced the Jews. They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, 'O king, live for ever! You, O king, have made a decree, that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, shall fall down and worship the golden statue, and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be thrown into a furnace of

blazing fire. There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These pay no heed to you, O king. They do not serve your gods and they do not worship the golden statue that you have set up.' Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought in; so they brought those men before the king.

Nebuchadnezzar said to them, 'Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods and you do not worship the golden statue that I have set up? Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble to fall down and worship the statue that I have made, well and good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire, and who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?'

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered the king, 'O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to present a defence to you in this matter. If our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire and out of your hand, O king, let him deliver us. But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods and we will not worship the golden statue that you have set up.' Then Nebuchadnezzar was so filled with rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face was distorted. He ordered the furnace to be heated up seven times more than was customary, and ordered some of the strongest guards in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and to throw them into the furnace of blazing fire. So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, their trousers, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the furnace of blazing fire. Because the king's command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counsellors, 'Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?' They answered the king, 'True, O king.' He replied, 'But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the fourth has the appearance of a god.' Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, 'Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!' So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire.

And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counsellors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics were not harmed, and not even the smell of fire came from them. Nebuchadnezzar said, 'Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way.' Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People stand.

THE MAGNIFICAT

Canticles in F Major, George Dyson (1883-1964)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, / and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; /

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; /

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;

As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.

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

SECOND LESSON Matthew 6.19-end

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, in the sixth chapter, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

Jesus said: 'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Canticles in F Major, George Dyson (1883-1964)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, / which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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

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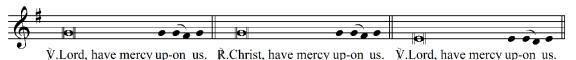
The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



The People kneel.



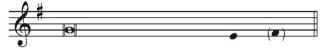
THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

Our Father

who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE RESPONSES



- \tilde{V} . O Lord, show thy mercy up-**on** us;
- R. And grant us thy salva-tion.
- V. O Lord, save the King,
- R. And mercifully hear us when we call up-on thee.
- V. Endue thy ministers with righ-teous-ness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.
- V. O Lord, save thy peo-ple.
- R. And bless thine inhe-ri-tance.
- V. Give peace in our time, O Lord;
- R. And evermore mightily defend us.

- V. O God, make clean our hearts with-in us;
- R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

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

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

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

The People sit.

ANTHEM

Bogoróditse Dévo, Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

Богородице Дево, радуйся, благодатная Марие, Господь с тобою. Благословена ты в женах, и благословен плод чрева твоего, яко Спаса родила еси душ наших.

Bogoróditse Dévo, raduysiá, Blagodátnaya Mariye, Ghospód s Tobóyu Blagoslovénna Ti v zhenáh, i blagoslovén Plod chréva Tvoyegó, yáko Spása rodilá yesi dush náshih.

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Mary full of grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of Thy womb, for Thou hast borne the Saviour of our souls.

The People kneel.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Officiant says selected prayers, following which all say the General Thanksgiving.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13.14

The People stand.

HYMN 18 – Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear

- All 1 Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear,It is not night if thou be near;O may no earthborn cloud arise,To hide thee from thy servant's eyes.
- All 2 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
 My wearied eyelids gently steep,
 Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
 For ever on my Saviour's breast!
- Upper 3 Abide with me from morn till eve,Voices For without thee I cannot live;Abide with me when night is nigh,For without thee I dare not die.
- Lower 4 If some poor wandering child of thine
 Voices Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
 Now, Lord, the gracious work begin;
 Let him no more lie down in sin.
- All 5 Watch by the sick, enrich the poor With blessings from thy boundless store; Be every mourner's sleep tonight, Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.
- All 6 Come near and bless us when we wake, Ere through the world our way we take, Till in the ocean of thy love We lose ourselves in heaven above.

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

ADORATION

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

ÆTERNA CHRISTI MUNERA

- 5 O Saving Victim, opening wide The gate of heaven to man below: Our foes press on from every side; Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.
- 6 All praise and thanks to thee ascend For evermore, Blest One in Three; O grant us life that shall not end In our true native land with thee. Amen.

Мотет

'Fecisti nos,' Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)

Fecisti nos, Domine, ad Te, et inquietum est cor nostrum donec quiescat in Te.

You made us, Lord, for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

(St Augustine of Hippo, Confessions, I, 1)

TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

PICARDY

- 5 Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere: types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here; faith, our outward sense befriending, makes our inward vision clear.
- 6 Glory let us give and blessing to the Father and the Son, honour, might, and praise addressing, while eternal ages run; ever too his love confessing, who, from both, with both is One. Amen.

The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

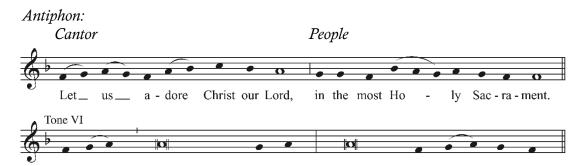
Thou gavest them Bread from hea-ven;

Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; Tone VI



O PRÄISE the Lord, all ye na-tions: laud him, all yë peo-ples.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us : and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ër. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be : world with**-out** ënd. A-men.

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People remain kneeling as the Sacrament is carried to the Lady Altar and reposed.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

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