## Saint Thomas's Church

# Trinity XV Sunday, September 25, 2022 Sung Mass at 9:30 am



The Rich Man and Lazarus, Hans Francken, c. 1630 Cambrai Municipal Museum

## 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

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

# **Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Humphrey **Reader:** Willem Hart

## Interim Director of Music & Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

MUSIC OF THE MASS: A Parish Mass, Derek Holman

PRELUDE: Adagio, John Bennett

#### GREETING

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

And also with you.

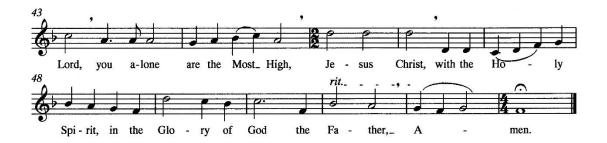
## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

A Parish Mass, Derek Holman





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

FIRST READING: Amos 6.1a, 4-7

A reading from the book of Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Choir and People sing the response:

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM 91.1-6,14-16



## Response: I will protect you, and bring you to honour.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty. He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust." **R/.** 

He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter and from the deadly pestilence. He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler. **R/.** 

You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day; Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day. R/.

Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my Name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honour. With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation. R/.

**SECOND READING**: 1 Timothy 6.6-19

A reading from St Paul's first epistle to Timothy.

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all

kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see: to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand. The choir will sing the first three Alleluias, followed by the people; a cantor will sing the verse and then all sing the final three Alleluias.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16.19-31

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The People sit.

## **SERMON**

After the Sermon, the People remain seated for a period of silent reflection, standing when the Celebrant stands.

#### THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: (Bow.) by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. (Rise.)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. The People remain standing.

## **INTERCESSIONS**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.
Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for according to the Diocesan prayer cycle, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (Silence.)
Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
I ask your prayers for the King and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide us in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good. (Silence.)
Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
I ask your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, and we give thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present with us in person or via livestream; our newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud, [We give thanks especially for] May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. (Silence.)
Lord, in your mercy  Hear our prayer.

I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick, and all those suffering
in mind, body, or estate due to the ongoing pandemic; for victims of warfare and
violence; for elders in isolation, 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 your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for\_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful

departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory. (Silence.)

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

*Celebrant*: Holy One, hear our prayers and make us faithful stewards of the fragile bounty of this earth so that we may be entrusted with the riches of heaven. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Invitation, Confession, & Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

The People bow or kneel. Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son

Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

The People remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.

## OFFERTORY HYMN – All my hope on God is founded

- All my hope on God is founded;
  He doth still my trust renew.
  Me through change and chance he guideth,
  Only good and only true.
  God unknown,
  He alone
  Calls my heart to be his own.
- Pride of man and earthly glory, Sword and crown betray man's trust; What with care and toil he buildeth, Tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, Hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.

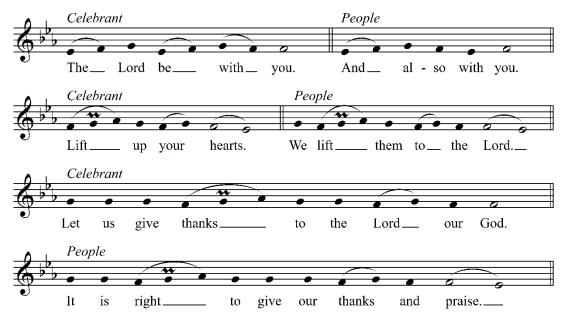
- Daily doth the Almighty giver
  Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
  His desire our soul delighteth,
  Pleasure leads us where we go.
  Love doth stand
  At his hand;
  Joy doth wait on his command.
- 4 God's great goodness aye endureth,
  Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
  Splendour, light, and life attend him,
  Beauty springeth out of naught.
  Evermore
  From his store
  New-born worlds rise and adore.

Michael Herbert Howells, 1892-1983 Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, based on the German of J. Neander, 1650-80

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

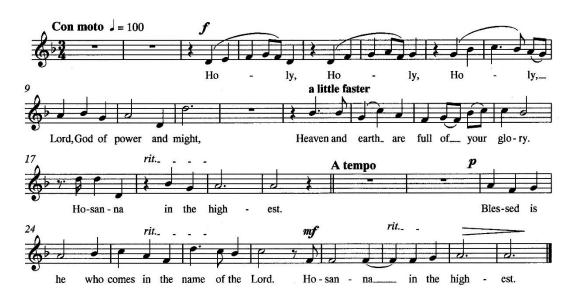
## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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.

## **SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**



The People remain standing.

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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

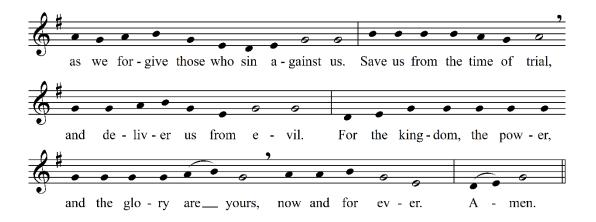
and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

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

Music by McNeil Robinson





## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Choir alone sings,





#### **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 are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.

If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!

## Мотет

'O pray for the peace of Jerusalem,' Herbert Howells

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

(Ps 122.vv6-7)

#### **COMMUNION DEVOTIONS**

An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your 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.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Father in Heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **BLESSING**

Christ, the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

## **CONCLUDING HYMN 400** – Rejoice to-day with one accord

- 1 Rejoice to-day with one accord,
  Sing out with exultation;
  Rejoice and praise our mighty Lord,
  Whose arm hath brought salvation;
  His works of love proclaim
  The greatness of his Name;
  For he is God Alone
  Who hath his mercy shown;
  Let all his saints adore him!
- When in distress to him we cried,
  He heard our sad complaining;
  O trust in him, whate'er betide,
  His love is all-sustaining;
  Triumphant songs of praise
  To him our hearts shall raise;
  Now every voice shall say,
  'O praise our God alway;'
  Let all his saints adore him!

EIN' FESTE BURG Martin Luther, 1529 Rev. Sir Henry W. Baker, 1861

POSTLUDE: Ein' Feste Burg, Flor Peeters

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