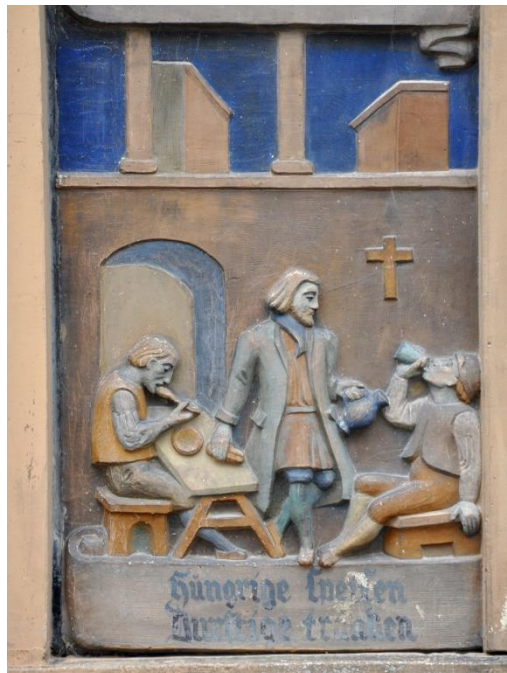


# Saint Thomas's Church

**The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity  
Sunday, September 26, 2021**

**Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock**



*Food for the Hungry, Drink for the Thirsty*  
relief sculpture,  
The Hospital of the Holy Spirit, Biberach, Germany

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*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:*

*In loving memory of James and Vera Bonham, Elwood and Golding Foster, Ralph and Ruby Harrison, John Saunders, and the Reverend Canon Warren and Dorothy Turner, by David and Mary Lou Harrison;*

*In loving memory of Jimmy and Jean McCallum and Victor and Sylvia Mazar, from their granddaughter;*

*and*

*In loving memory of Esme, Ed, and Steve Read, given by Geoff Read.*

**Celebrant:** Fr. Shire  
**Homilist:** Fr. Humphrey  
**Gospeller and Intercessor:** Fr. D'Angelo  
**Cantor:** Jordan Baldwin  
**Reader:** David Kent  
**Organist & Director of Music:** Matthew Whitfield

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*Please note that congregational singing is still not permitted by Covid regulations. The Cantor alone will make sung responses. All are encouraged to make the said responses.*

*Today's Kyrie, from Palestrina's 'Missa Brevis', and Agnus Dei, from Andrew Ager's 'Missa Brevis I', are taken from the CD 'Gladdening Light', recorded by St. Thomas's choirs in 2005. These tracks feature the Solemn Eucharist Choir and soloists Suzanne Brooks (Coultes), Janice Kerkkamp, James Tuttle, and Bryan Martin.*

**MUSIC OF THE MASS** – Communion Service in B<sup>b</sup>, *Edward Bairstow*

**PRELUDE:** *Wie nach einer Wasserquelle*, BWV 1119, *J.S. Bach*

*The Cantor alone sings:*

**INTROIT:** Psalm 119, Pt 18

137 Righteous art thou, O Lord, / and true are thy judgements.  
138 The testimonies that thou hast commanded / are exceeding righteous and true.  
139 My zeal hath even consumed me; / because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.  
140 Thy word is tried to the uttermost, / and thy servant loveth it.  
141 I am small and of no reputation; / yet do I not forget thy precepts.  
142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, / and thy law is the truth.  
143 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me; / yet is my delight in thy commandments.  
144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: /  
    O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

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.

Righteous art thou, O Lord, / and true are thy judgements.

*Please 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 sings*

**KYRIE ELEISON**

*Missa Brevis, Palestrina*

Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christe Eleison : Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Please stand*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

*Celebrant:* Glory be to God on high,

*People:* **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.**

**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 Lord be with you.  
*R / And with thy spirit.*

*Please remain standing for the Collect*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always \*prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*\* spiritually guide, go before*

*Please be seated.*

**FIRST LESSON: Numbers 11.4-6, 10-16, 24-29**

The First Lesson is written in the eleventh chapter of the book Numbers, beginning at the fourth verse.

Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving; and the people of Israel also wept again, and said, "O that we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, every man at the door of his tent; and the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. Moses said to the LORD, "Why hast thou dealt ill with thy servant? And why have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou dost lay the burden of all this people upon me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I bring them forth, that thou shouldst say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries the sucking child, to the land which thou didst swear to give their fathers? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' I am not able to carry all this people alone, the burden is too heavy for me. If thou wilt deal thus with

me, kill me at once, if I find favour in thy sight, that I may not see my wretchedness.” And the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and placed them round about the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was upon him and put it upon the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did so no more.

Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested upon them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, forbid them.” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!”

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

*The Cantor alone sings:*

**PSALM: 19.7-14**

- 7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, restoring the soul; /  
the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.
- 8 The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; /  
the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever; /  
the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; /  
sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.
- 11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught; / and in keeping of them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth? / O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.
- 13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me; /  
so shall I be undefiled and innocent from the great offence.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,  
be always acceptable in thy sight, / O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**THE EPISTLE: James 5.13-20**

The Epistle is written in the fifth chapter of the epistle of Saint James, beginning at the thirteenth verse. Is any one among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects. Elijah was a man of like nature with ourselves and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth its fruit.

My brethren, if any one among you wanders from the truth and some one brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

*The Cantor alone sings:*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Your word, O Lord, is truth; sanctify us in the truth. Alleluia.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9.38-50**

The Holy Gospel is written in the ninth chapter of the Gospel according to St Mark, beginning at the thirty-eighth verse.

*R / Glory be to thee O Lord*

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw a man casting out demons in your name, and we forbade him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not forbid him; for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon after to speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is for us. For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ, will by no means lose his reward.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung round his neck and he were thrown into the sea. And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched. For every one will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its saltness, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of Christ.  
*R / Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

**SERMON**

## THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant:* I believe in one God

*People:* the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.**

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.

*Please stand for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor alone*

#### OFFERTORY HYMN 384 – Praise to the Holiest in the height

- 1 Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
And in the depth be praise;  
In all his words most wonderful,  
Most sure in all his ways.
- 2 O loving wisdom of our God!  
When all was sin and shame,  
A second Adam to the fight  
And to the rescue came.
- 3 O wisest love! That flesh and blood,  
Which did in Adam fail,  
Should strive afresh against the foe,  
Should strive and should prevail;
- 4 And that a higher gift than grace  
Should flesh and blood refine,  
God's presence and his very Self,  
And essence all-divine.
- 5 O generous love! that he who smote  
In Man for man the foe,  
The double agony in Man  
For man should undergo,

- 6 And in the garden secretly,  
And on the Cross on high,  
Should teach his brethren, and inspire  
To suffer and to die.
- 7 Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
And in the depth be praise;  
In all his words most wonderful,  
Most sure in all his ways.

*GERONTIUS*  
*Rev J.B. Dykes, 1868*

*Cardinal J.H. Newman, 1866*

### 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.**

*Please kneel*

### INTERCESSIONS

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

**R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

**R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. We pray for the newly elected parliament of Canada and for all those called to serve in government. May the Lord our God guide our leaders in the ways of justice and peace that they and all of us may serve the common good of all people.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

**R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_, that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

**R / 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 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.

*silence*

Lord, in thy mercy

**R / We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Raise us up, O Lord, for it is thou only who restores life and health to the suffering and to those who wander from thy truth. By thy grace, may we offer unto thee powerful and efficacious prayers for one another and the world, in the name of Jesus Christ, 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.**

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.**

#### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*V / The Lord be with you; R / And with thy spirit.*

*V / Lift up your hearts; R / We lift them up unto the Lord.*

*V / Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; R / 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.

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 Cantor sings:*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest.

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, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER, FRACTION AND PEACE

*Celebrant:* As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

**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. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

*The consecrated Bread is broken.*

*V / The peace of the Lord be always with you;*

*R / And with thy spirit.*

## HOLY COMMUNION

*All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:*

*Celebrant:* 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.**

## AGNUS DEI

*Missa Brevis I, Andrew Ager*

*The Cantor sings:*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

## MOTET

*Ich eile, die Lehren, BWV 148, J.S. Bach*

*I hasten to hear the teachings of life and joyfully seek the holy house. How beautifully the happy sounds call the blessed to the praise of the highest!*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.  
**Amen.**

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Cantor alone sings:*

**CONCLUDING HYMN 422** – Faith of our fathers!

- 1 Faith of our fathers! living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!
- 2 Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free;  
How sweet would be their children's fate,  
If they, like them, could die for thee!  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!
- 3 Faith of our fathers! we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife;  
And preach thee too, as love knows how,  
By kindly words and virtuous life.  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

*S<sup>t</sup> FINBAR*  
*Henri F. Hemy, 1864, and J.G. Walton, 1874*

*Rev. F.W. Faber, 1849*

**POSTLUDE:** Alle Menschen müssen sterben, BWV 1117, *J.S. Bach*