Saint Thomas's Church

The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity Sunday, September 5, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock



The Woman of Canaan Michael Angelo Immenraet, 17th century

Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

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Celebrant: Fr Humphrey **Homilist:** Fr Shire

Gospeller and Intercessor: Fr Shire

Cantor: Jordan Baldwin Reader: Andrew Smith Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

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.

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Missa Parochialis, George Oldroyd

PRELUDE: Arabesque, Louis Vierne

The Cantor alone sings:

INTROIT: Psalm 84

- 1 O how lovely are thy dwellings, / thou Lord of hosts!
- 2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:/ my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: / even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; / they will be alway praising thee.
- 5 Blessed are the men whose strength is in thee, / in whose heart are the pilgrim ways;
- 6 Who going through the Vale of Misery use it for a well; / yea, the early rain covereth it with blessings.
- 7 They go from strength to strength, / and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: / hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 9 Behold, O God, our shield, / and look upon the face of thine anointed.
- 10 For one day in thy courts / is better than a thousand.
- 11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, / than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and glory; / and no good thing shall he withhold from them that lead a godly life.
- 13 O Lord God of hosts, / blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

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.

O how lovely are thy dwellings, / thou Lord of hosts!

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON

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.

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**.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 35.4-7a

The First Lesson is written in the thirty-fifth chapter of the book of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the fourth verse.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

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

PSALM: 146

- 1 Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: / yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.
- O put not your trust in princes nor in any child of man; / for there is no help in them.
- 3 For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn again to his earth: / and then all his thoughts perish.
- 4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, / and whose hope is in the Lord his God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is; / who keepeth his promise for ever;
- 6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong; / who feedeth the hungry.
- 7 The Lord looseth men out of prison: / the Lord giveth sight to the blind.
- 8 The Lord raiseth up them that are fallen: / the Lord loveth the righteous.
- 9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he upholdeth the fatherless and widow: / as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.
- 10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore, / and throughout all generations.

THE EPISTLE: James 2.1-10, 14-17

The Epistle is written in the second chapter of the epistle of Saint James, beginning at the first verse.

My brethren, show no partiality as you hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man with gold rings and in fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "Have a seat here, please," while you say to the poor man, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren. Has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor man. Is it not the rich who oppress you, is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the honourable name which was invoked over you? If you really fulfil the royal law, according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself," you do well. But if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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

The Cantor alone sings:

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel is written in the 7th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Mark, beginning at the 24th verse.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 7.24-37 *R* / Glory be to thee O Lord

And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house, and would not have any one know it; yet he could not be hid. But immediately a woman, whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell down at his feet. Now the woman was a Greek, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. And he said to her, "Let the children first be fed, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." And he said to her, "For this saving you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." And she went home, and found the child lying in bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech; and they be sought him to lay his hand upon him. And taking him aside from the multitude privately. he put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And he charged them to tell no one; but the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well; he even makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak."

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

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.

SERMON

OFFERTORY

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

OFFERTORY HYMN 374 – Ye boundless realms of joy

- 1 Ye boundless realms of joy, Exalt your Maker's fame, His praise your song employ Above the starry frame; Your voices raise, Ye cherubim And seraphim, To sing his praise.
- 2 Thou moon, that rul'st the night,
 And sun, that guid'st the day,
 Ye glittering stars of light,
 To him your homage pay.
 His praise declare,
 Ye heavens above,
 And clouds that move
 In liquid air.
- 3 Let them adore the Lord,
 And praise his holy Name,
 By whose almighty word
 They all from nothing came;
 And all shall last
 From changes free;
 His firm decree
 Stands ever fast.
- 4 United zeal be shown
 His wondrous fame to raise,
 Whose glorious Name alone
 Deserves our endless praise.
 Earth's utmost ends
 His power obey:
 His glorious sway
 The sky transcends.

CROFT'S 136TH Dr William Croft, 1709 Tate and Brady, 1696

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**.

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. 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 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 everpresent 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: O Lord our God, move us to praise thy gracious will, for in Christ Jesu thou hast saved us from the bonds of death and opened unto us the hidden ways of thy love. All this we ask through 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.**

EUCHARISTIC 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, 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

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.

Мотет

Chorale, Heinrich Schütz

Where the appointed sacrifice of worship, praise and fervent prayer, ascends from earth unto the skies, the very gate of heaven is there. He whom the worlds cannot contain, our great, our universal Lord, among his people here doth deign His living presence to afford. Open our eyes, O Christ, to see the heavenly glory with us here; these sacramental gifts shall be effectual signs that thou art near. Father, through him we offer up ourselves for ever thine to be, who by this bread and by this cup are one with Christ our Lord in thee.

(G.B. Timms [1910-1997] verses 1 and 2 based on lines by W. Drennan [I754-1820])

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 352 - From all that dwell below the skies

- 1 From all that dwell below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise; Alleluia, Alleluia! Let the Redeemer's Name be sung Through every land, by every tongue. Alleluia...
- 2 Eternal are thy mercies, Lord, Eternal truth attends thy word: Alleluia, Alleluia! Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, Till suns shall rise and set no more. Alleluia...

LASST UNS ERFREUEN (COLOGNE) Geistliche Kirchengesang, 1623 Rev. Isaac Watts 1674-1748

POSTLUDE: Fugue in C Major, BWV 545, J.S. Bach