

The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity Sunday, September 5, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am



Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

383 Huron Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2G5 416-979-2323

www.stthomas.on.ca office@stthomas.on.ca

Celebrant & Homilist: Fr Shire Cantor: Jordan Baldwin Reader: Rob Rogers

Organist: Elizabeth Anderson

MUSIC OF THE MASS – New Plainsong Mass, *David Hurd*

PRELUDE: Arabesque, Louis Vierne

GREETING

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy

Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: 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

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 35.4-7a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah:

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

- I Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
 I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
 I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, * for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, * and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! * whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; * who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, * and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; * the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; * he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The Lord shall reign for ever, * your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: James 2.1-10, 14-17

A reading from the Epistle of James:

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.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 7.24-37

V / The Lord be with you.

R / And also with you.

V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

R / Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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 saying 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 to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

INTERCESSIONS

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

silence

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

Intercessor: I ask 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 your mercy, *R* / **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our nation, 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, *R* / **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: I ask 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 your mercy, *R* / **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the souls of the dep	parted, especially	who have died in
recent days, and on their year's mind for	, that they may share wi	th the Blessed Virgin
Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's of	eternal kingdom.	

silence

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

Celebrant: O Lord our God, move us to praise your gracious will, for in Christ Jesus you have saved us from the bonds of death and opened for us the hidden ways of your love. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Invitation, Confession, Absolution

Celebrant: 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.

A Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

People: 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.

Celebrant: 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

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

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

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

V / The Lord be with you.
R / And also with you.
V / Lift up your hearts.
R / We lift them to the Lord.

V / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R / It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

The cantor sings:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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."

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: 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

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

People: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People: Taste and see that the Lord is good;

Happy are they who trust in him!

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Cantor sings:

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID 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

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes 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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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