

St. Thomas' Episcopal Parish  
Washington, DC



July 31, 2011  
SEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 a.m.

WHEREVER YOU MAY BE ON YOUR FAITH JOURNEY,  
THERE IS ROOM AT GOD'S TABLE FOR YOU.

The **Prelude** helps us to settle into place and shift our focus to God's presence with us in worship.

**Welcome Visitors!**

We invite you to join us in worship and hope you will discover some of the lifegiving ways that God is working in this place. We invite you to complete a Welcome Card located in the hymnal racks on your chair.

The basic order of service comes from the red **Book of Common Prayer** while the hymns can be found in the blue **Hymnal 1982** in a rack either in front of your seat or to the side of your chair.

Hymns numbers preceded by an S are part of the Service Music in the front section of the blue **Hymnal 1982**.

The choice of readings comes from the **Revised Common Lectionary**, a cycle of readings assigned for every Sunday and major holy day throughout the liturgical year.

The **First Lesson** comes from the Old Testament, or Hebrew Scriptures. We hear how God has spoken and worked through the people of God for thousands of years, particularly our Jewish sisters and brothers in faith.

# The Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

*Siciliana*

Jean Baptiste Loeillet

(Jeffrey Weisner, Double Bass)

✠ *A bell rings, all stand.*

## Processional Hymn

*On this day, the first of days*

Hymn 47

✠ *The Celebrant says,*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People*

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

✠ *The Celebrant and people sing in unison*

## Gloria

Hymnal S 280

✠ *The Celebrant continues,*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

## The Collect of the Day

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Word of God

### First Lesson

*Genesis 32:22-31*

✠ *After the reading, the Reader says,*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm 17:1-7,15

Anglican chant by Jerome Meachem

**The Psalm** is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relations between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

The Psalm is sung in unison by the congregation using **Simplified Anglican Chant**, which evolved from older, more elaborate forms of Plainchant. The pitch of the notes changes with the word immediately following each diagonal marking (/) or asterisk (\*). Please join in.

The text for the Psalm follows **The Saint Helena Psalter**, itself based on The Psalter of The Book of Common Prayer of 1979, revised to employ inclusive language.



*Exaudi, Domine*

- 1 Hear my plea of innocence, O God; give heed to my / cry; \*  
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying / lips.
- 2 Let my vindication come forth from your / presence; \*  
let your eyes be fixed on / justice.
- 3 Weigh my heart, summon me by / night, \*  
melt me down; you will find no impurity in / me.
- 4 I give no offense with my mouth as others / do; \*  
I have heeded the words of your / lips.
- 5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your / law; \*  
in your paths my feet shall not / stumble.
- 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer / me; \*  
incline your ear to me and hear my / words.
- 7 Show me your marvelous loving / kindness, \*  
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand  
from those who rise up against / them.
- 15 But at my vindication I shall see your / face; \*  
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your / likeness.

## Second Lesson

*Romans 9:1-5*

✠ *After the reading, the Reader says,*

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

✠ *All stand.*

**The Second Lesson** is usually a reading from one of the New Testament Epistles (or Letters), though occasionally from the Acts of the Apostles or the Book of Revelation.

## Sequence Hymn

O God of Bethel

Hymn 709

*Verse 1 before the Gospel, Verse 2 following the Gospel*

**The Gospel**, proclaimed by a Deacon or Priest, contains the stories and sayings of Jesus. Whereas other lessons at the Eucharist are read, the Gospel is proclaimed (or announced), both to those present and to the world. Those of us who are present stand and face the Gospel book as a gesture of reverence and love for the risen Christ. To symbolize that the Gospel belongs also to the world, the Gospel book is brought into the church in the entrance procession.

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

✠ *The Celebrant says,*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

✠ *Afterwards, the Celebrant says,*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Bill Doggett

✠ *A brief silence is observed.*

In the **Nicene Creed** we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by affirming our place in the story of God's creating, redeeming, and remaining with the world.

## The Nicene Creed

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 358*

## Prayers of the People

Form III, *Book of Common Prayer, p. 387*

## The Confession

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 360*

**The Peace** has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the apostles and is an expression of reconciliation with our neighbor. As understood by its ancient position following the Prayers, the Peace is both a response to the Word of God and a preparation for Holy Communion.

## The Peace

## Welcome and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

*We invite all those who seek God and a deeper life in Christ to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist. To receive communion take the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine but would like a blessing, please come forward, cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders, and a minister will provide a blessing.*

**The composer of today's musical offering** is Marc-Antoine Charpentier. His setting of "Panis angelicus" was written originally for soprano and basso continuo. The Eucharistic text reflects this morning's Gospel, the feeding of the five thousand.

## Offertory

*Panis Angelicus*

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

The angel's bread divine becomes the bread of humankind. It puts an end to types, that bread which comes from heaven. O strange and marvelous thing, the poor and humble commune with the Lord.

## Presentation Hymn

*All who hunger gather gladly*



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na  
2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a  
3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is

is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.  
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.  
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.

Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for  
Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were  
Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who

days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.  
from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.

Taste and see that God is good.  
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**The Presentation** of bread, wine, music, money, and other gifts at the altar signifies our offering of all we are and have in response to God's offering of Christ for our sake.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Congregational responses are in the Book of Common Prayer*

*BCP, p. 369*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

                  The Lord be with you.  
People           *And also with you.*  
Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.  
People           *We lift them to the Lord.*  
Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People           *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

✠ *The service continues*

*BCP, p. 370*

**Eucharistic Prayer C** that is being used today is one of the most creation-centered settings for Holy Communion in Anglican liturgy.

For Episcopalians, **The Holy Eucharist** (Greek, "Giving of Thanks") - rather than the sermon - is the principal act of Christian worship on Sundays and other major Feasts.

## Sanctus and Benedictus

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly— Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven-and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless'd is the one who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The **Eucharist**, or **Holy Communion**, has its roots in the Passover meal shared by Jesus and his disciples in Jerusalem before the crucifixion and it reminds us of another meal shared by Jesus and his disciples at Emmaus after the resurrection. It is a way in which our community symbolically participates in Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. And it reminds us that we now are the Body of Christ for our times.

✠ *The Celebrant continues*

BCP, p. 371

### *The Lord's Prayer*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

✠ *Celebrant and People*

Our Father in heaven ...

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A Period of silence is kept. Then is said:*

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: *We who are many are one Body, for we all share the one bread.*

*The Sacrament is then immediately delivered to the people.*

The **Lord's Prayer** is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray.

### Communion Hymn

*Bless the Lord, My Soul*

Taizé Chant

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

## Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says  
Let us pray.

✠ All stand and pray together:

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Blessing

### Recessional Hymn

*I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Hymn 304

In The Episcopal Church, the pronouncing of God's **Blessing** on the people is one of the specific ministries of priests.

## The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The **Dismissal** is our being sent out to be Christ's hands and feet in the world.

## Postlude

*Gigue*

Jean Baptiste Loeillet

(Jeffrey Weisner, Double Bass)

*It is our practice to remain reverently seated in silence for the Postlude.*

The flowers today have been given to the glory of God  
and for the people of St. Thomas' Parish by Jeff Weisner & Silvio Menzano.

**Please join us downstairs for coffee, food, and conversation.  
We are glad you are with us today.**

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**We are so glad you chose to worship here with us today.**

As a progressive and inclusive Episcopal Church in Dupont Circle, we try to "be the Good News" for the world through our cultivation of spiritual life and through engagement with our community.

You are welcome to visit as often as you can. If you are looking for a spiritual home founded on civility and respect, mutual responsibility as well as encouragement, we hope you will consider St. Thomas' Parish. You will find a place of welcome and nurture, as well as challenge and empowerment to address the needs of the world.

With your help we can be a community where all can find and be found by God – a place, wherever you are on your journey, to discover room at God's table for you.

Rector, St. Thomas' Parish

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