

St. Thomas' Parish Washington



July 6, 2008

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 9 (Year A)

10:00 a.m.

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

The Holy Eucharist

Please observe prayerful silence before worship.

Prelude

Variations on "Jesus Priceless Treasure"

J. G. Walther

✦ A bell rings, all stand. The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Entrance Hymn

Love, divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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

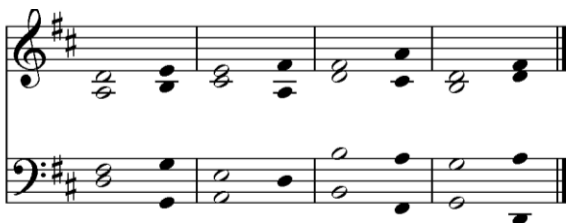
First Lesson

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Gradual Psalm: 45:11-16 *Eructavit cor meum*

Anglican Chant by Jerome Meachen

✦ sung by all



11

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen / closely; *
forget your people and your parents' / house.

12

The king will have pleasure in your / beauty; *
you are committed to him; therefore do him / honor.

13

The people of Tyre are here with a / gift; *
the rich among the people seek your / favor."

14

All glorious is the princess as she / enters; *
her gown is cloth-of-/ gold.

15

In embroidered apparel she is brought to the / king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in / procession.

16

With joy and gladness they are / brought, *
and enter into the palace of the / king.

Second Lesson

Romans 7:15-25a

✧ *All stand.*

Sequence Hymn

Awake, my soul, and with the sun

Hymnal 11

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Sermon

Mr. Jack Reiffer

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

Prayers of the People

✧ (*Kyrie eleison is Greek for "Lord have mercy"*)

Leader: Gracious God, who knit our inmost parts before we were born and who shelters us with a strong hand, in our gratitude receive the prayers we offer as we respond to each petition by saying, "***Kyrie eleison.***"

Leader: In thanksgiving for the unity we share through-out the church in Jesus Christ, that we who have been entrusted with the gift of baptism may bring life to the world and renewed hope to our church; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Leader: For the courage to hold fast to the high ideals of our calling, bringing the lamp of charity to those who live in despair and through their cries receive the saving grace that enlightens our ministry; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Leader: For a renewed sense of the Body of Christ, the Church, that together with our Presiding Bishop, our bishop and all other ministers, we may rededicate ourselves in the unity of the Triune God; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Leader: For the urgency to seek peace before the next battle breaks and economic justice before the weight of poverty fractures the will of nations; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Leader: For the forgiveness of our sins, that the wounds that we inflict on one another in the name of righteousness may be healed by the Divine Love that overcomes human frailty; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

Leader: For those whose lives are approaching death and for those who have died, remembering especially Peggy Conroy, that they and their loved ones may receive the comfort of the Holy Spirit; for this we pray.

Kyrie eleison.

In Christ, who baptized us with fire and water and called us to be a baptizing community, we continue our prayers either silently or aloud.

✠ *The Celebrant concludes with the following Collect:*

Nurturing God, your love is free, your compassion unconditional, and your mercy infinite. You shower upon us gifts abundant. Grant that we may know and trust these gifts, that we may discover the joy they bring, and inspire us to serve and love out of that joy. In the name of the Risen Christ we pray, ***Amen.***

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 359

The Peace and Announcements

The Holy Communion

*St. Thomas' invites all to share in the gifts of bread and wine from God's Holy Table.
If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine but would like a blessing, please come forward
and cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders and a priest will provide a blessing.*

✠ All stand.

Offertory Hymn *How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds* Hymnal 644

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, Page 367

Sanctus and Benedictus Hymnal S-130

The Lord's Prayer

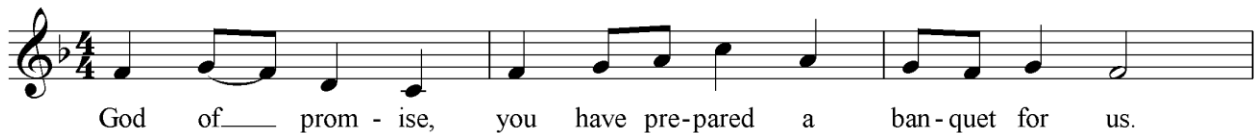
✠ *The Celebrant continues*

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

✠ *Celebrant and 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.*

Fraction Anthem *God of Promise* Timothy Hagy



Communion Hymn *Father, we thank thee who has planted* Hymnal 302

✠ All stand.

Post Communion Prayer BCP, Page 365

Blessing

Closing Hymn	<i>Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy</i>	Hymnal 482
Dismissal		
Postlude	<i>Fughetta on "Jesus Priceless Treasure"</i>	<i>J. G. Walther</i>

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by the people of St. Thomas' Parish.

**DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE
MISSION STATEMENT AND MEMBERS**

Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Discernment Committee will listen to the congregation and the greater parish community, being respectful of our heritage. We will discern and articulate the needs, wishes and desires of our parish in response to current and anticipated growth through an open and transparent process.

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We're a **community of Christians on a spiritual journey**. Our worship and *life together* provides a pathway towards a deeper understanding of the risen and transforming Christ. Through joyful singing, engaging preaching, prayer and silence, we come together to share in **one bread, one body**.

A place to find and be found by God.

The People of St. Thomas'

Vestry

*John Carter, Senior Warden; Barbara Hays, Junior Warden
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