

Saint Thomas' Episcopal Parish
Washington, DC



March 21, 2010
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
11:00 a.m.

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

The Holy Eucharist

*Before we worship we speak to God; after worship we speak with one another.
We invite you to silent prayer and meditation before our worship service begins.*

A Penitential Order

Prelude

Von Gott will ich nicht lassen, BWV 658

Johann Sebastian Bach

✠ *A bell sounds. The people stand. The ministers enter in silence.*

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People Who bears our burdens and forgives our straying like lost sheep.

✠ *The priests and the people kneel, as they are able.*

The Decalogue

Book of Common Prayer, page 350

Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP, page 352

✠ *All stand. Sung by all.*

Kyrie

McNeil Robinson

The musical score for the Kyrie is written in 3/4 time and consists of three staves. The first staff begins with a *Cantor* direction and contains the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - le-i- son. Ky - ri - e e - le-i- son. Chri - ste e -". The second staff begins with an *All* direction and contains the lyrics "le - i- son. Chri - ste e - le - i- son. Ky - ri - e e -". The third staff begins with an *All* direction and contains the lyrics "le - i- son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i- son".

The Word of God

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson *Isaiah 43:16-21*

✠ *Sung by all*

Psalm 126:1-6 *In convertendo*



1 When God restored the fortunes of / Zion,
 then were we like / those who **dream**.

2 Then was our mouth filled with / laughter,
 and our / tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the / nations,
 "God has / done great things for them."

4 God has done great things for / us,
 and we are / glad in-**deed**.

5 Restore our fortunes, O / God,
 like the watercourses / of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with / tears
 will reap with / songs of **joy**.

Second Lesson *Philippians 3:4b-14*

✘ All stand. Sing verses 1-2 before the reading of the Gospel. Sing verse 3 after the reading.

Sequence Hymn

Holy woman, graceful giver

Voices Found 1

1 Ho - ly wo-man, grace-ful giv - er, pro - phet, ser - vant, and be-liev - er,
2 Like the ves-sel, we are bro-ken; like the oint-ment, we are to - ken
3 In these jars is hid - den trea-sure, cost - ly fra-grance, Christ-ly plea-sure,
4 Ho - ly wo-man, cost - ly trea-sure, with the jar of al - a-bas - ter

wo - man with the oint - ment jar, rose up near the time ap - point - ed
of God's lov - ing un - to death; like the wo - man, we are ser - ving;
like the Christ, first from the dead, bro - ken for cre - a - tion's whole-ness,
shows the hid - den gift we are, there-fore let us as Christ's ser - vants

broke the seal, Christ's head a - noin - ted for the com - ing fa - tal hour.
like the scold - ers, ill de - serv - ing such a rich, for - giv - ing faith.
poured out for its com - ing full - ness, pro - phet ser - vant, hope and head.
hold our sis - ter in re - mem - brance—wo - man with the oint - ment jar.

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The Holy Gospel

John 12:1-8

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Lee Jose

The Nicene Creed

BCP, page 358

✠ All kneel, as you are able

Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP, page 385

✠ All say the concluding prayer for mission and capital campaign.

Gracious and loving God, throughout our long history, we at St. Thomas' have sought to share Christ's love with each other, our neighborhood, and our world. You have guided and created a growing community here where all are truly welcomed and honored. As we enter this capital campaign, we pray that you will ignite in each of us a desire to create a church home that is the outward sign and symbol of our values. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and open our hearts to Your grace. Keep us always focused on Your vision for us, and help us to make our parish a place where all can find and be found by You. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.

The Peace

BCP, page 360

Welcome and Announcements

INVITATION TO HEALING

The Healing Rite is offered today during the Eucharist, and on the third Sunday of every month. You are invited to receive healing prayers for yourself or on behalf of someone else at the healing station. A healing minister from the Pastoral Care Ministry Team will offer prayers and the laying on of hands serving as a vehicle for God's healing power and love.

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 and cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders and a priest will provide a blessing.

Offertory Anthem

Jesus, So Lowly

Harold Friedell

Jesus, so lowly, Child of the earth: Christen me wholly, Bring me new birth. Jesus, so lonely, weary and sad; Teach me that only Love maketh glad. Jesus, so broken, Silent and pale; Be this the token Love will not fail. Jesus, victorious, mighty and free; Teach me how glorious death is to be.

✠ All stand

Presentation Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross

Hymnal 474

✠ *Sung by all*

Sanctus and Benedictus

plainsong, harmonized by Maurice Duruflé

Ho - ly, _____ ho - ly, _____ ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in _____ the _____ high - est.
 Bles-sed is the One who _____ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in _____ the _____ high - est.

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.

✠ *Sung by all*

Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei

Anaphora Chant

Lamb of _____ God, you take a - way the sins of the world have _____ mer - cy on - us. Lamb of _____ God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world have _____ mer - cy on - us.
 Lamb of _____ God, you take a - way the sins of the world grant _____ us _____ peace.

✠ *Communion will be directed by the ushers.*

Communion Anthem *Drop, Drop, Slow Tears*

Orlando Gibbons

Drop, drop, slow tears, And bathe those beautiful feet Which brought
from heav'n The news, the news and Prince of Peace: Cease not, wet eyes,
His mercies to entreat; To cry for vengeance Sin doth never cease. In your
deep floods Drown all my faults and fears; Nor let his eye see sin, But
through my tears.

✦ *Sung by all*

Communion Hymn *Let thy blood in mercy poured*

Hymnal 313

✦ *All stand*

Post Communion Prayer

A New Zealand Prayer Book

Almighty God, giver of all good things, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the precious body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We thank you for your love and care in assuring us of your gift of eternal life and uniting us with the blessed company of all faithful people. Therefore, everliving God, keep us steadfast in your holy fellowship. And now we offer ourselves, all that we have and are, to serve you faithfully in the world, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

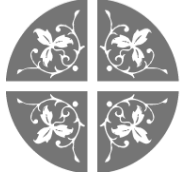
Hymnal 149

Dismissal

Celebrant Go now to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

As part of our observance of a holy Lent please depart the nave in silence.



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A place to find and be found by God.

The People of St. Thomas'

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