

St. Thomas' Parish Washington



From St. Mary's Church, Banbury, United Kingdom

October 19, 2008

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 24 (Year A)

11:00 a.m.

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

The Holy Eucharist

LITURGY FROM ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP

PLEASE OBSERVE PRAYERFUL SILENCE BEFORE WORSHIP

Prelude

Ut Re Mi Fa Sol La

William Byrd

✠ *A bell rings, all stand. The people standing, the Celebrant says*
Blessed be our God.

People For ever and ever. Amen.

Entrance Hymn

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 595

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

Exodus 33:12-23

Gradual Psalm 99

Dominus regnavit

Anglican Chant by Timothy Hagy

✠ *all sing*



- 1
God reigns; let the people /tremble; *
God is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth /shake.
- 2
God is great in / Zion; *
and is high above all / peoples.
- 3
Let them confess God's Name, which is great and / awesome; *
God is the Holy / One.

4

"O mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have established / equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in / Jacob."

5

We proclaim your greatness O God, and fall down before his / footstool; *
you are the Holy / One.

9

Proclaim the greatness of our God and worship on God's holy / hill; *
for our God is the Holy / One.

Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

✕ All stand.

Alleluia

Timothy Hagy

✕ A Cantor sings Alleluia. All respond. A cantor sings a verse. All sing Alleluia.

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon

Mr. Jack Reiffer

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

Prayers of the People

Adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book

Leader: Heavenly God, you have promised to hear when we pray in the
name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray:
God, enliven the Church for its mission

People: that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Leader: Breathe fresh life into your people,

People: giving us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

Leader: Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and
peace,

People: that we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Leader: Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it,

People: teaching us to care creatively for its resources.

Leader: God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect
our lives,

People: that all may act with integrity and courage.

Leader: Give your grace to all whose lives are linked with ours,

People: allowing us to serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

Leader: God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit,

People: letting us know the power of your healing love.

Leader: We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone,

People: God, into your hands we commend them.

Leader: Merciful God, give comfort to those who mourn,

People: bringing us peace in our time of loss.

Leader: We praise you for all your saints who have entered into your eternal glory,

People: who are examples to inspire and encourage us.

Leader: Your own thanksgivings and intercessions are invited at this time, concluding with “God in your mercy”, and all will reply, “Hear our prayer”.

✠ *The priest concludes with a Collect.*

Confession of Sin

✠ *The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins to God.

✠ *Silence may be kept.*

✠ *Minister and People*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

✠ *The Celebrant says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace

“Why I Give”

Dave Kucharski

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 1 ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP

*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.*

Offertory Motet

Omnes gentes plaudite

Christopher Tye

All peoples, clap your hands, sing to God with exultant voices: for the Lord most high is awe-inspiring, a great king over the whole earth. He has subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us: the pride of Jacob whom he loved. God has ascended to sounds of joy, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

✧ *All stand*

Presentation Hymn

O God of earth and altar

Hymnal 591

Celebrant 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 our thanks and praise.***

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Timothy Hagy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, hea-ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est. Blest is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

✠ *The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

✠ *Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

✠ *The Celebrant continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

We break this bread

Timothy Hagy

We break this bread to share in the Bo - dy of Christ. We who are
ma- ny are one bo - dy for we all share in the one bread.

Communion of the People

Communion Anthem

Give Almes of Thy Goods

Christopher Tye

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man: and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

✦ *All stand.*

Postcommunion Prayer

✦ *Celebrant and People*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Final Hymn

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

Hymnal 596

Dismissal

✦ *Please be seated for the Postlude which concludes our service.*

Postlude

A Verse

Thomas Tomkins

*The flowers on the altar today are given by Tim Elig,
in Thanksgiving and Appreciation for the prayers, concerns, and assistance from all of
St. Thomas' Parish and the St. Thomas' Pastoral Care Team.*



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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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