



ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH + SCHOOL

Worship | Study | Friendship | Compassion
October 25, 2026—10:00AM

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Grounded in God

Your faithful giving helps our church grow in ministry, mission, and community. As we plan for 2027, your annual pledge plays a vital role in supporting the life and work of St. Thomas.

Pledge cards are due Sunday, November 1st. Please submit your pledge card online by scanning the QR code or drop it in the offering plate. Thank you for your generosity.



St. Thomas Fall Festival

Today, October 25th, 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Bring the whole family out for an afternoon of fall fun and festive excitement.

Enjoy Trunk or Treat, food, crafts, games, and more—fun for all ages!

St. Thomas Ofrenda

In honor of All Saints' and All Souls' Day, St. Thomas is displaying an Ofrenda in Gosnell Hall. An Ofrenda is an altar honoring loved ones who have passed. Please bring pictures (in frames), candles and other small items to display, to honor the saints that have gone before us. Items will remain on the Ofrenda until we honor them on All Saints' Day.

All Saints' Evensong

Sunday, November 1st, 4:00pm

Join us for Solemn Evensong for the Feast of All Saints. You will be invited to light candles and place them on the altar in remembrance of loved ones.

Upcoming Sermon Series:

Hope That Holds: Comfort for the Grieving

November 1st–November 15th

What does Christian hope look like in the middle of grief? Scripture reminds us that grief is not a failure of faith and that we do not grieve without hope—because God meets us in our sorrow and gives us comfort that holds.

Family Night Out

Thursday, November 5th, 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Big'z Burger Joint - 2303 N Loop 1604 W.

Everyone is welcome for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship. Bring your whole family and enjoy a great time together as we connect and build community. We look forward to seeing you there.

Veterans Day Breakfast

Sunday, November 8th, 9:00am

in the Parish Hall

Let us gather to honor our veterans.

No Discipleship Hour November 8th.

Haven for Hope

Monday, November 9th

Meet at St. Thomas at 2:30pm or 3:30pm
to carpool to Haven for Hope

Join the Community Outreach Ministry at Haven for Hope as we serve dinner to people in need. After volunteering, stay and connect with volunteers as we gather for dinner.

Volunteer Opportunity: San Antonio Food Bank

Thursday, November 12th, 8:50am - 11:30am
5200 Enrique Barrera Pkwy

St. Thomas is seeking volunteers, ages 8 and up to volunteer at the San Antonio Food Bank. (*Ages 8-15 must be accompanied by a parent*). Help us support the San Antonio community by sorting and packing food to be distributed to those in need.

If you are interested in volunteering, RSVP by November 8th, by emailing the church office at stthomaschurch@tom1604.org. In your email include names of each volunteer and age. Volunteers will be contacted to confirm and to provide registration instructions.

Youth Group Sunday Hangout: Friendsgiving

Sunday, November 15th
4:00pm - 6:00pm, in the Youth Room
6th - 12th grade

What's better than good food and good friends?

Come celebrate Friendsgiving with us for an afternoon of food, laughter, and time together.

Bring a friend, bring your appetite, and come ready to celebrate.

Christ the King Sunday

Sunday, November 22nd

The St. Thomas Music Ministry invites you to participate in Christ the King Sunday. On November 22nd we will sing "Halleluia Chorus" from "Messiah" by G. F. Handel at the 10:00am service. All who would like to sing are welcome to join us at 9:00am for rehearsal and participate at the 10:00am service. If you would like music in advance, contact Music Minister, Ryan Becker at rbecker@tom1604.org.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship and PieFest

Wednesday, November 25th, 7:00pm

St. Thomas invites you to an evening of worship and pie. Worship begins at 7:00pm. After worship all are welcome to the Parish Hall for a slice of pie. *Please bring a pie to share.*

Discipleship Hour - Sundays at 9:00am

Teach Us to Number Our Days: A Deep Dive into Psalm 90

October 18th–November 1st
in the Parish Hall led by Fr. Mike

What can Psalm 90 teach us about living faithfully in the face of our mortality? We'll explore Moses' prayer as it moves from the eternity of God and the brevity of life to the weight of sin and, finally, the hope of restoration and lasting meaning.

Upcoming Class:

Christ the King: The Reign of God in Scripture and Tradition

November 15th–November 22nd
in the Parish Hall led by Fr. Mike

What does it mean to call Jesus King? We'll explore the biblical vision of Christ's reign and the story behind the Feast of Christ the King, discovering why this celebration still matters for how we understand Jesus and His kingdom today.

Children's Sunday School

Ages 3 - 5th grade, in Room 112

Each Sunday, children will journey through the Old Testament. Using Bible stories, prayer, activities, and conversation, kids will grow in faith, experience God's love, and learn what it means to follow Jesus.

Discipleship for Moms

in Room 111 led by Paige Martin

This fall we're walking through *Abide* by Jen Wilkin, a study of John's letters and the call to remain in Christ's love. As we gather around Scripture, prayer, and conversation, we'll encourage one another and make room to listen for God's presence during everyday life.

Youth Group Series: Faith in Action & Justice

October 18th – November 15th
6th - 12th grade, in Room 109

Faith is more than what we believe—it shapes how we treat others and respond to the world around us. Together, we'll wrestle with what it means to seek justice, practice mercy, love our neighbors, and have the courage to speak up when something isn't right.



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2026 • 10:00 AM

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

This type of note, offering directions about the service is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word *rubrica* (red) referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

THE VOLUNTARY • *Prelude on St. Anne*

Healey Willan

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN • 680

St. Anne

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
 And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

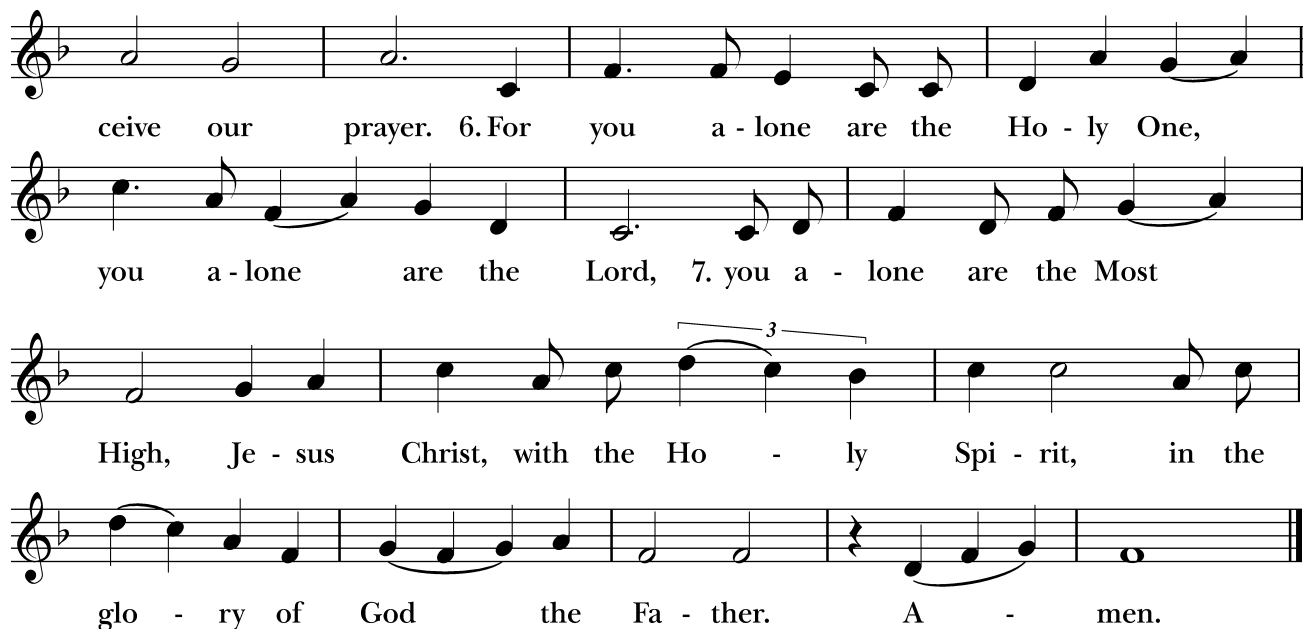
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA • S 280

Robert Powell

The ordinary of the mass employs texts that remain the same for every mass. In the Latin mass the Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus and Benedictus, and the Agnus dei are the five parts of the mass that remain the same every week.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



THE WORD OF GOD

The proper of the mass are the scriptural texts that change with the liturgical calendar. The collect, lessons, psalm, Gospel and preface to the communion liturgy are propers. Our lessons come from a prescribed cycle of readings called the lectionary. The lectionary consists of a three year cycle: Year. Each year we retell the story from Advent through Pentecost.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

We invite your child to join our Children's Church program this morning! Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to come up for the children's sermon and then follow our Children's Church Leader, to a classroom down the hallway in our education wing. After the exchange of the peace, children are ushered back to their seats.

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, “I will give it to your descendants”; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.’ ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD's command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. ¹¹He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The psalms are sung prayers that cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. The psalm is a response to hearing the Old Testament lesson and usually it relates to the themes heard in the lesson.

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
**prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.**

THE EPISTLE

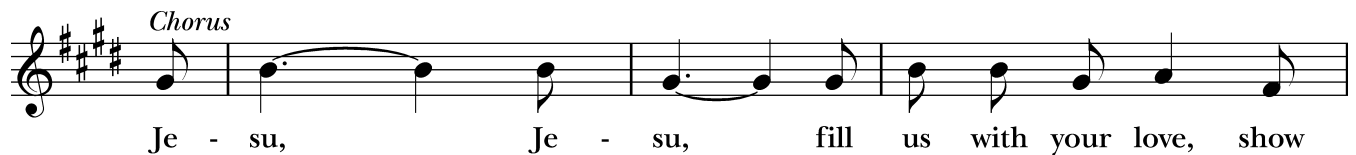
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

This reading from the New Testament is typically from a letter (epistle) from Paul to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



- 2 Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
 3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we were



white, neigh - bors are near - by and far a - way.
 love. All are neigh - bors to us and you.
 slaves; this is the way we should live with you.

Repeat Chorus

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34-46

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Gospel is the summit of the Liturgy of the Word and means “good news” and specifically the good news of Jesus. We stand for the Gospel reading to show respect for the particular importance of Jesus’ words and actions.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, ‘ “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²‘What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?’ They said to him, ‘The son of David.’ ⁴³He said to them, ‘How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord,
‘Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet’ ”?

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?’ ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Mike Michie

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

The word “creed” comes from the Latin word “credo” which means I believe. First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects the Christian belief in the Holy Trinity and the relationship between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the for Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for David and Angela, our Bishops, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution), and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Leader and People

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

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

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

All are invited to make a gift to support St. Thomas' ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

THE OFFERTORY

Hal Hopson

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

THE DOXOLOGY

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.*) Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS • S 125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

The presider breaks the bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people are invited to come forward to receive communion. Gluten –free wafers are available. Inform the priest when they come to you.

Individual prayers for healing are offered in the Chapel of the Cross. We encourage you to visit them after receiving communion.

THE HYMN • 581

Cheshire

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;
3 For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;
5 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;

1 brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.
2 let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.
3 and let us love each o - ther well in Chris-tian ho - li - ness.
4 be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.
5 as mem-bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

6 Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's Name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

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1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-lestial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

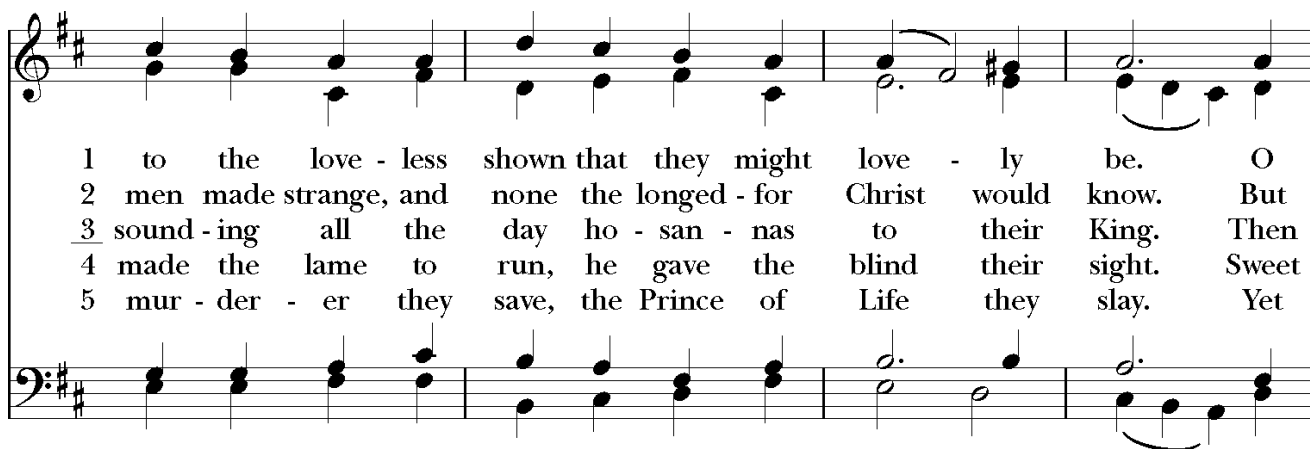
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Unison or harmony

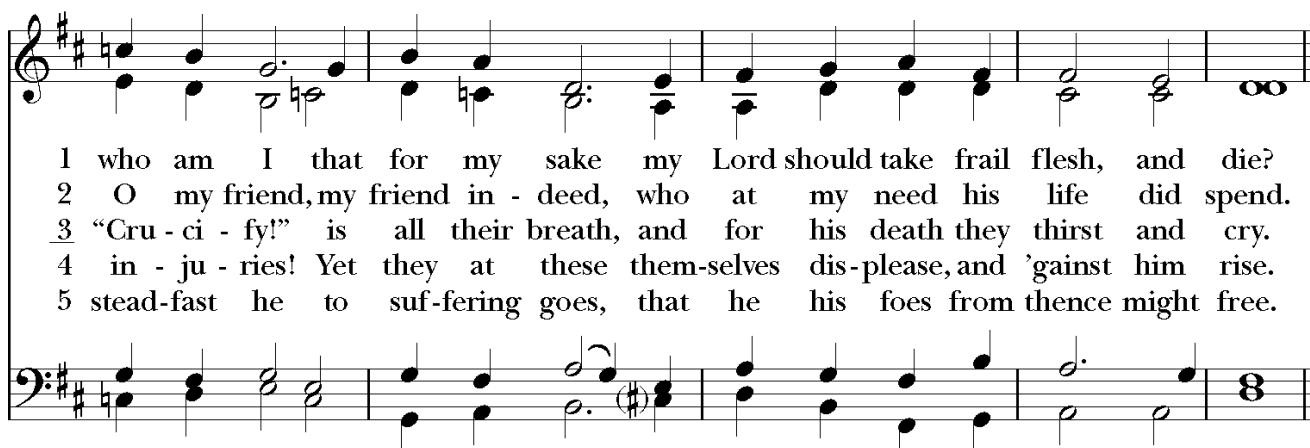


1 My song is love un-known, my Sa-vior's love to me, love
 2 He came from his blest throne sal-va-tion to be-stow, but
 * 3 Some-times they strew his way, and his strong prais-es sing, re-
 * 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He
 * 5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a-way; a





1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
 2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
 3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
 4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet
 5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them-selves dis-please, and 'gainst him rise.
 5 stead-fast he to suf-fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

*6 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heaven was his home;
 but mine the tomb
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 no story so divine:
 never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine,
 This is my friend,
 in whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 could gladly spend.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

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.

THE SENDING OUT

We send you out to share the communion today.

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.

May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE BLESSING



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

THE VOLUNTARY • *Prelude on Hyfrydol*

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St. Thomas Healing Ministry

The St. Thomas Healing Ministry offers prayers in the Chapel of the Cross (located to the left of the altar) on Sundays at 8:00am and 10:00am. If you are interested in joining the group, learning about healing, or in need of concentrated prayers contact the church office or fill out a connection card.

Wear a Name Tag!

Do you have a St. Thomas nametag? We encourage you to wear one on Sunday. Don't have a nametag? Visit Membership & Growth Coordinator, Sarah Anderson at the Welcome Table in Gosnell Hall and we'll make you one. All name tags will be ready in 2-3 weeks from sign up date. Please look at our name tag display in Gosnell Hall for pick-up on Sunday.

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Week at a Glance

Men's Bible Study — Tuesdays, 7:00am • Room 111

Bell Choir Rehearsal — Tuesdays, 6:00pm–7:00pm • Choir Room

GriefShare — Wednesdays, 10:00am • Parlor

Eucharist Rite II — Wednesdays, 12:00pm • Chapel of the Cross

Children's Music Program & Choir — Wednesdays, 4:30pm–6:00pm • Choir Room

Choir Rehearsal — Wednesdays, 6:30pm–8:00 pm • Choir Room

Bible Study with Fr. Mike on Zoom — Thursdays, 9:30am

Please contact the Church Office for the Zoom link.

Middle & High School Choir Rehearsals — Sundays, 11:15am • Choir Room

Ice Cream on Sundays — Before or after church in the Courtyard

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