



**ST. THOMAS**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We, the baptized ministers,  
declare Christ's Mission for us:  
to grow as a Church  
in the spiritual strength  
of community,  
and to care, reach out,  
and include all people in Christ's love.

# Second Sunday after Pentecost



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM

June 2, 2024

Welcome to St. Thomas! We are so glad that you are here with us. If you are new to our community, we invite you to fill out a welcome card located in the pew rack in front of you, and either place it in the offering plate or hand it to a priest. We also invite you to stay with us for coffee hour after the service.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Choral Introit

*Holy Trinity Prayer*

**Paul Ayres**

Holy Trinity, in whose name we worship, give us such love, that alone and together, today and every day we may reverence the Father, radiate the presence of the Son, and live in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. – David Knight

### Welcome

**The Rev. Stacy Carlson Kelly**

### Procession

*Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

**#7 Hymnal 1982**

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
 2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
 3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
 joy - less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
 Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
 till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
 more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

## The Acclamation

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

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Collect for Purity

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.**

## Song of Praise

### *Glory Be to God*

#S204 Hymnal 1982

1. Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

2. We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks

to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly King,

God the Father Al-might - y. 4. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,



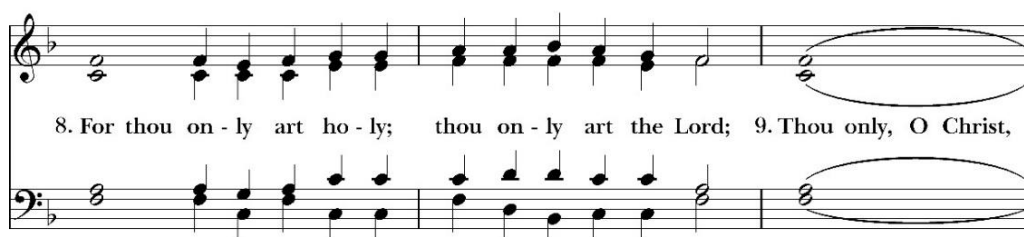
5. that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.



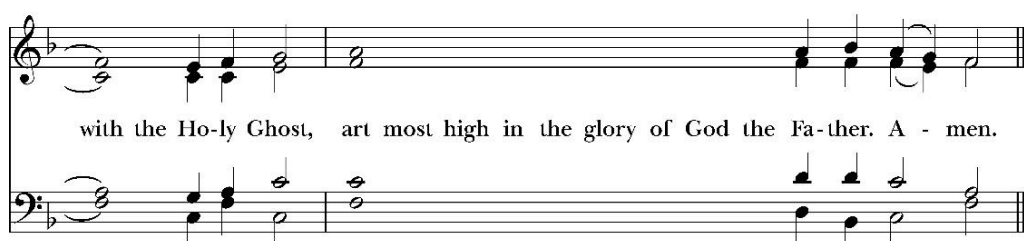
6. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



7. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up - on us.



8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. Thou only, O Christ,



with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

### **The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### **The First Lesson**

### **1 Samuel 3:1-20**

A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17** (*We will pray a portion of Psalm 139 responsively by half verse*)

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
**you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.**
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
**and are acquainted with all my ways.**
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
**but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
**and lay your hand upon me.**
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
**it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
**you knit me together in my mother's womb.**
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
**your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
**while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.**
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
**they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.**
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
**how great is the sum of them!**
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
**to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

**The Second Lesson**

**2 Corinthians 4:5-12**

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to

death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** *Heal Me, Hands of Jesus 1,2 / 3,4*

**#773 Wonder, Love, and Praise**

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music. The first system is a single melodic line for the voice. The second system is a piano accompaniment with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The third system is another single melodic line for the voice. The fourth system is a piano accompaniment with a grand staff. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

1. Heal me, hands of Je-sus, and search out all my pain: re -  
2. Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let  
3. Know me, mind of Je-sus, and show me all my sin; dis -  
4. Fill me, joy of Je-sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.  
me for - give as one for-given and bring me peace to - day.  
pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.  
heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

Words: Michael Perry. Music: *Sharpe*, Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Tunes for Grace*.

**The Gospel**

**Mark 2:23-3:6**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not

humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.”

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, “Come forward.” Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Sermon

Ms. Mary Cushing

### The Nicene Creed

**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.**



## **The Prayers of the People**

The prayers of the people is a time for us to come together as we offer our prayers to God. Please offer your own prayers in the pauses, either silently or aloud. Kneeling as you are able, let us pray.

Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table. We remember our community and its needs *[pause]*.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, spread throughout the world. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Bud, our Bishops; Fran, Will, Rishabh, Lori, Mary and Nicole, our staff; Mary, our Deacon in Training; Caroline, our Intern; for the teachers at the Early Learning Center; and for the Vestry and Officers of St. Thomas.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Here, where we recognize the presence of Christ, who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed *[pause]*.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends to give us this meal of holy fellowship, listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours. We pray for Barbara Everhart, Jean Kemp, Edward Caine, and Steve Wickman celebrating birthdays this week; for all those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week, and for those blessings you would name *[pause]*.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Here, where we remember the night of Christ's agony and trial, listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings through fear or pain or distress of any kind. Together we pray for **Ethan, Vincent, Lucy, Baby Vera, Emily and Dave, Lynn, Betsy, Yusuf, Bruce, Bill, Herb, Bill, Fran, Lisa, KP, Diane, Carolyn, Olga, Cheryl, Amanda, Cleta, Mindy, Barbara, Bill, Kay,** and those whom you would name *[pause]*.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven, listen as we pray for those who have died, especially The Reverend Peter Gray, in whose memory the altar flowers have been given, and those whom you would name *[pause]*.

In faith, **we pray to you, our God.**

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts, the bread of God which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

*Adapted from the Church of England, Common Worship resource, found at <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/times-and-seasons-5#mmm260>*

Together let us pray for St Thomas Church.

**Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of your Church is governed and sanctified, hear our prayer for St Thomas, build in us a renewed vision of your Church; shape our life according to your will; empower us with the gifts to make us one that together we may grow as a church in the spiritual strength of community and reach out to include all people in Christ's love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *A time of silence.* Together, let us pray: **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.**

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**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*Following the exchange of peace in the church, peace is exchanged with the congregation on Zoom.*

### **The Offertory**

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.



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<https://stthomasmcleanva.org/giving/donate>.

### **Offertory Anthem**

Locus iste a Deo factus est,  
inaestimabile sacramentum,  
irreprehensibilis est.  
Locus iste a Deo factus est.

### *Locus Iste*

### **Anton Bruckner**

*This place was made by God,  
an inestimably holy place.  
It is without blame.  
This place was made by God.*

**The Doxology** (to the tune of "All Creatures of Our God and King")

**#400 Hymnal 1982**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*Gluten free wafers are available on request. As the Eucharist is distributed, all who desire prayers for healing—for themselves or for others—are invited to come to the healing minister behind the lectern on the right as you face the altar.*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**EOW Eucharistic Prayer 1**

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

**Sanctus: #S130 Hymnal 1982**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

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:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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 Thomas and 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.**

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

**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 – #873 Wonder, Love, and Praise

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Those who  
eat my flesh and drink my blood a - bide in me and  
I in them. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Fraction Anthems, Canticles, and Chants*. Copyright © 1997 Carl Haywood.

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.

### **A note about the distribution of the Eucharist:**

*We offer both the common cup and a cup for intinction. If you would like to receive by intinction, please go the left side of the altar rail and the presiding priest will dip the bread in the cup for you. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please go to the right side of the altar rail where the bread and the cup will be offered separately.*

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion on Zoom**

*While some are receiving communion at church, those worshiping on Zoom say the following prayer:*

**In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my**

soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally today, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

**Communion Hymn**

*O Christ the Healer*

**#772 Wonder, Love, and Praise**

1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for  
 2. From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies  
 3. How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our  
 4. In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -  
 5. Grant that we all, made in one faith, in your com -

health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to  
 clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we  
 know - ledge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those  
 nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -  
 mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -

be re - stored, when reached by love that nev - er ends?  
 would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.  
 heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists our selves.  
 clares our ills: is there no cure, O Christ, for these?  
 rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

Words: Fred Pratt Green (b. 1903). Music: *Kedron*, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Darc (1782-1826); harm. *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. *Hymnal* 1982.

## Post-communion Prayer for a Multi-located Congregation

Let us pray. **God of abundance, we gather as your faithful people near and far. We believe you are present with us as we are united with Christ and one another in prayer and sacrament. We thank you for feeding all of us with your love and for making us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.** *Written by the Rev. Dorota Wright-Pruski, adapted by the Rev. Will Drosos*

## The Blessing

May the Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God, strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

## Announcements

### Recessional Hymn

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

**#490 Hymnal 1982**

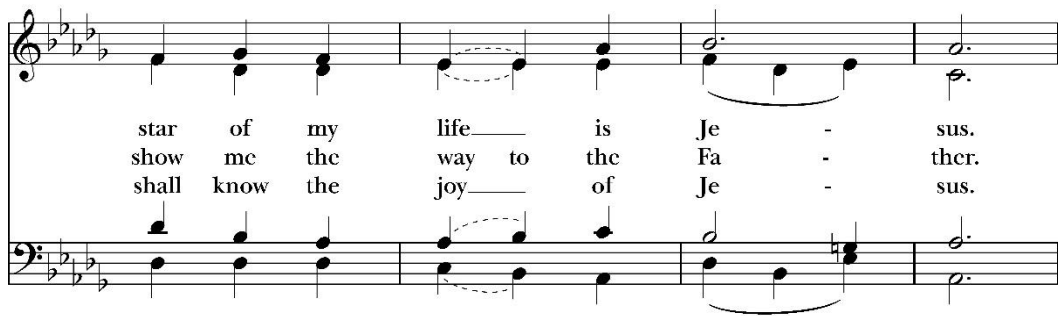
The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.  
I want to look at Je-sus.  
I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The  
Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and  
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we



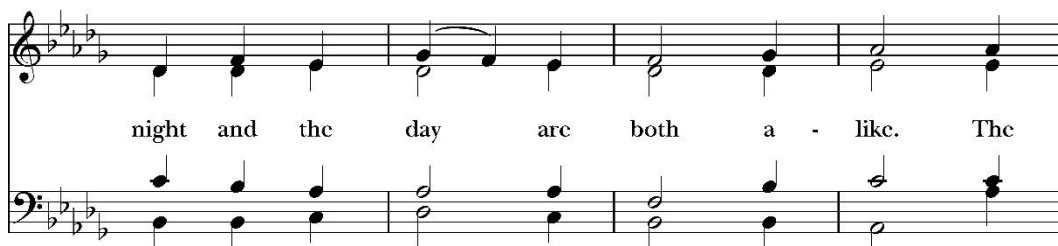


star of my life is Je - sus.  
show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
shall know the joy of Je - sus.

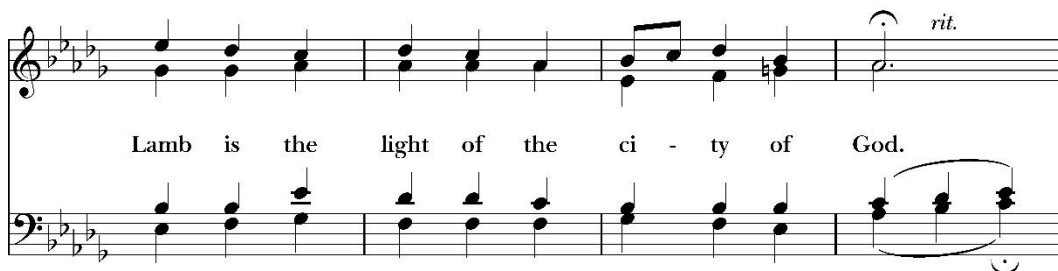
*Refrain*



In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

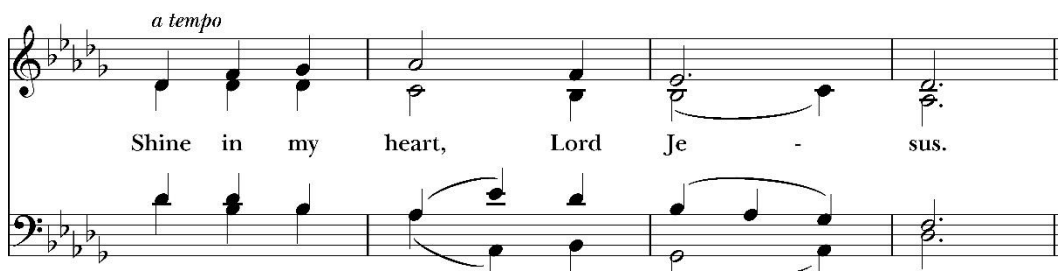


night and the day are both a - like. The



Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

*a tempo*



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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**The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

Variations on *Moscow*



The altar flowers are given by Rick Michaelson, in loving memory of his late husband, the Reverend Peter Gray.

### Worship Participants

Presider	Rev. Stacy Carlson Kelly
Preacher	Mary Cushing
Altar Guild	Susan Cowart
Digital Verger	Chuck Grimes
Flower Guild	Melinda Fairchild
Eucharistic Minister (EM)	Steve Wickman & Caroline Mitchell
Healing Minister	Mary Cushing
Lector & Intercessor	Ed Rhodes
Usher	Rick Montfort
Fellowship Hour Host	Barbara & Dan Wicks

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Questions, comments, concerns, compliments,  
all welcome.

**We will have confirmation classes next weekend in preparation for a Bishop's visit in the fall (exact date TBD). Please reach out to Rev. Will if you would like more information or want to be included!**

**You can find the current list of Most Needed Items for SHARE on our website:**



## St. Thomas Walkway of Love

The Walkway of Love that embraces the Memorial Garden provides us with the opportunity to memorialize loved ones no longer with us, give thanks for our present blessings, or simply to offer up ourselves in commitment to this community.

We are now collecting orders for engraved bricks for the Walkway of Love which surrounds the Memorial Garden. The order will be placed on **Monday July 22nd**.

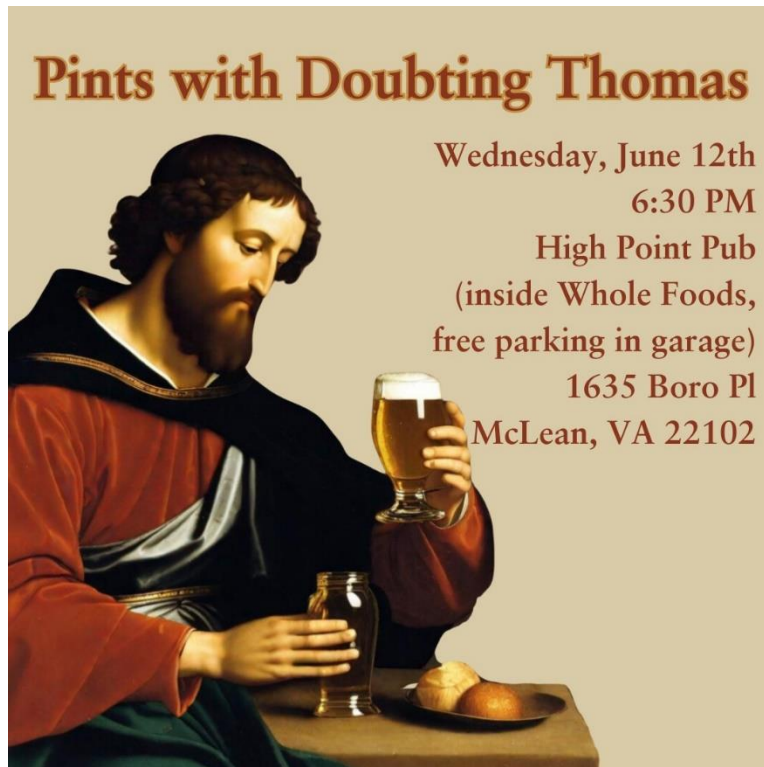
The Walkway of Love is an important fundraiser for the property reserve at St. Thomas. The suggested minimum donation for a brick is \$150.

If you would like to purchase a brick in thanksgiving for or in memory of a loved one or event, please complete an order form. Hard copies can be found in the narthex or downloaded here:

<https://stthomasmcleanva.org/life-together/walkway-of-love>.

Please return completed forms with your check made payable to St. Thomas Episcopal Church (indicate in the memo section for "Walkway of Love") to Rishabh in the office.

If you have any questions, please contact Toby Bush at [tobygbush@hotmail.com](mailto:tobygbush@hotmail.com)



Join us on June 12<sup>th</sup> as we conclude our series on salvation.

Having covered **how** people are saved and **what** salvation looks like, we will look at different views on **who** is saved. And then, we will consider how that impacts our lives as Christians.

In other words, is salvation the fundamental rationale for being Christian?

## Women Gathering Meetup



Ladies, please join us on ZOOM  
**Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:30.**

Mary, our Deacon in training, will lead the discussion about "[Gender in the Parables of Jesus](#)". The topic relates to women in the Bible, which we've discussed before. The article is about a ten-minute read and is very approachable.

Click on the title for the online article or go to the website:  
<https://www.bibleodyssey.org/articles/gender-in-the-parables-of-jesus/>

For inquiries, you can email Betsy at  
[eheilman2003@yahoo.com](mailto:eheilman2003@yahoo.com)  
or the ZOOM link, email Audrey at  
[audreyjadair@gmail.com](mailto:audreyjadair@gmail.com).



The next meeting of the ECW will be on **Sunday, June 16 at 8:45 am** in the ELC and on Zoom. The previously advertised meeting was postponed to June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89302088143?pwd=Ym5oQVcwTnlLOTY4OG9GRjVaODRUQT09>

Meeting ID: 825 4634 4403

Passcode: 685393

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

St. Thomas Ladies, you're invited to  
**Lunch Bunch**

**4<sup>th</sup> Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM**  
**Silver Diner**

11951 Killingsworth AV, Reston  
<https://www.silverdiner.com/reston>

Want details?

Text Tricia (571) 244-3142  
or Audrey at (813) 956-7550



**Register for Parish Retreat! Download the form at the link below or pick up a copy in the Narthex!**

**ST. THOMAS ANNUAL PARISH RETREAT SEPTEMBER 27-29**



**PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM WITH \$50 DEPOSIT BY AUGUST 18th**

<b>Weekend Rate</b> <b>Includes 2 nights and 6 meals</b>
Single Occupancy – \$237.00 per person Ages: 14yrs to Adult
Double Occupancy – \$182.00 per person Ages: 14yrs to Adult
4 years to 13 years – \$116.00 per person 0 to 3 years – No charge

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Settle in with your favorite brew for a wild ride in the Highlands of Medieval Scotland!



**Themes and misconceptions about Shakespeare's antiheroes**

Featuring vignettes by SOT's 2024 Macbeth cover artists illustrating insights on the opera and play by experts Eric Minton of Shakespearances.com and Dr. Lori Lind, Managing Director, Shakespeare Opera Theatre.

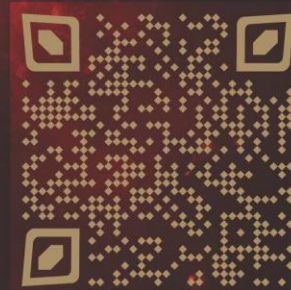


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# MACBETH

July 12-21, 2024



SCAN ME



**St. Thomas Episcopal Church**  
8991 Brook Rd., McLean, VA

Friday 07/12/24 @ 7pm  
Saturday 07/13/24 @ 7pm  
Sunday 07/14/24 @ 4pm

**Grace Episcopal Church**  
6507 Main St., The Plains, VA

Saturday 07/20/24 @ 4pm  
Sunday 07/21/24 @ 5pm

TICKETS: **\$39.50** AND UP

  [shakespeareoperatheatre](#)

## ***PRAYER FOR ST. THOMAS CHURCH***

*Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of your Church is governed and sanctified. Hear our prayer for St. Thomas: build in us a renewed vision of your Church; shape our life according to your will; empower us with the gifts to make us one, that together we may grow as a church in the spiritual strength of community, and reach out to include all people in Christ's love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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