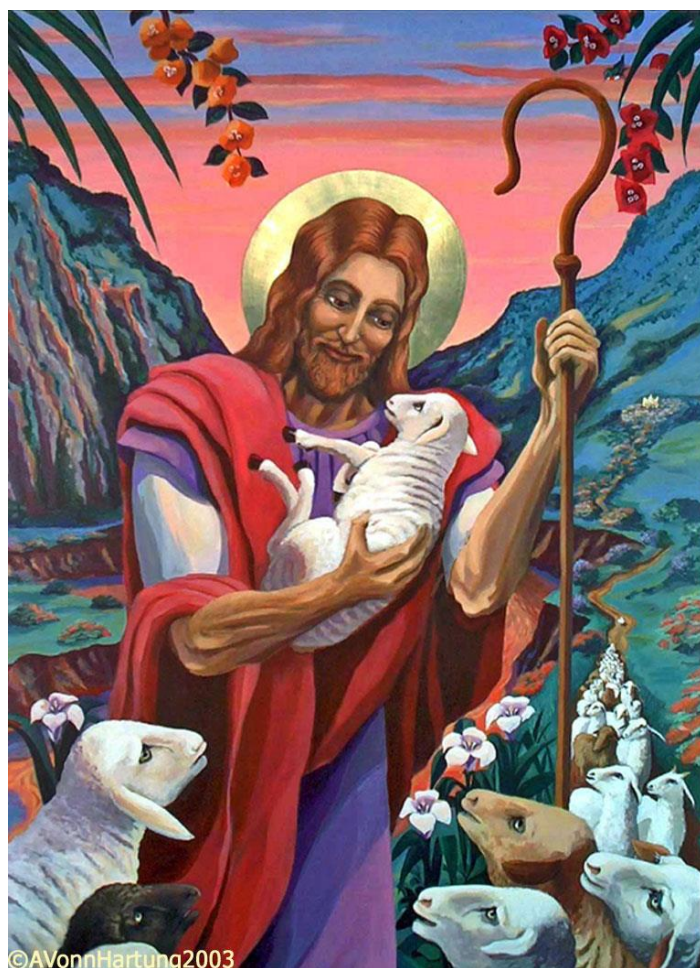




ST. THOMAS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM

May 11, 2025

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

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Mitchell

Introit

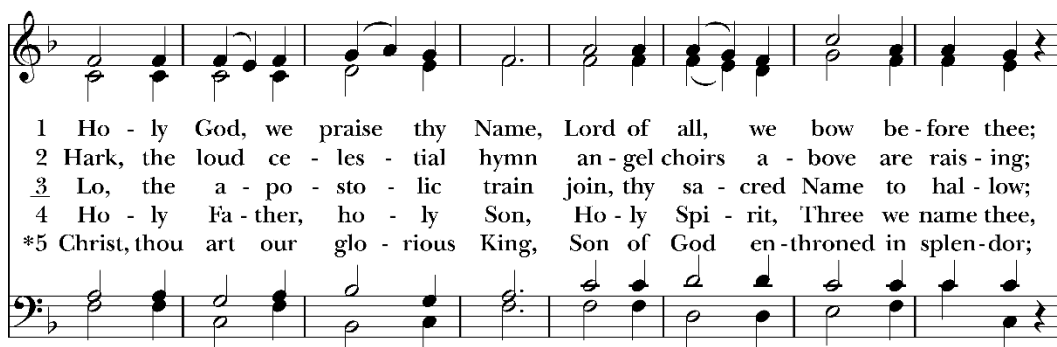
Morning Has Broken

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Procession

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

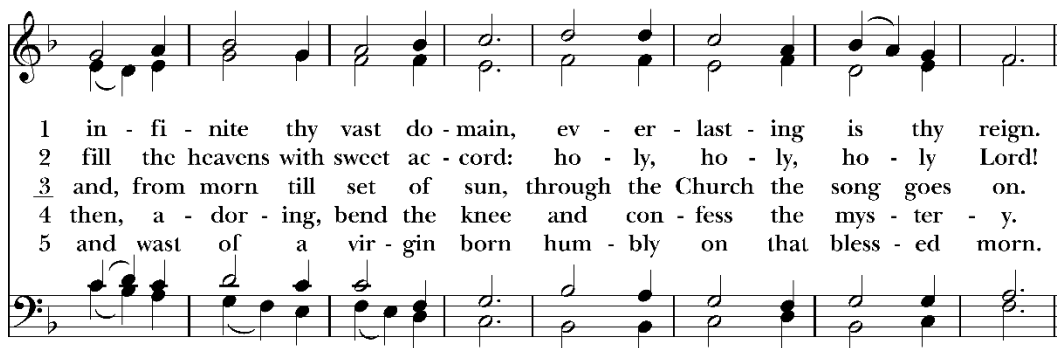
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1 Ho - ly God, we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee;
 2 Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
 3 Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train join, thy sa - cred Name to hal - low;
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three we name thee,
 *5 Christ, thou art our glo - rious King, Son of God en - throned in splen - dor;



1 all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heaven a - bove a - dore thee;
 2 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,
 3 pro - phets swell the loud re - frain, and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
 4 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vi - ded God we claim thee;
 5 but de - liv - er - ance to bring thou all hon - ors didst sur - ren - der,



1 in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
 2 fill the heavens with sweet ac - cord: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 3 and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
 4 then, a - dor - ing, bend the knee and con - fess the mys - ter - y.
 5 and wast of a vir - gin born hum - bly on that bless - ed morn.

The Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

#191 Hymnal 1982

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:

1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.

1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.

The image shows a four-staff musical score for the hymn 'Alleluia, alleluia!'. Each staff consists of a treble and bass clef line. The lyrics are written below the staves, with the first line of each system starting with a '1'. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt. Music: *Lux eoi*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900).

The Collect of the Day

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

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 9:36-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

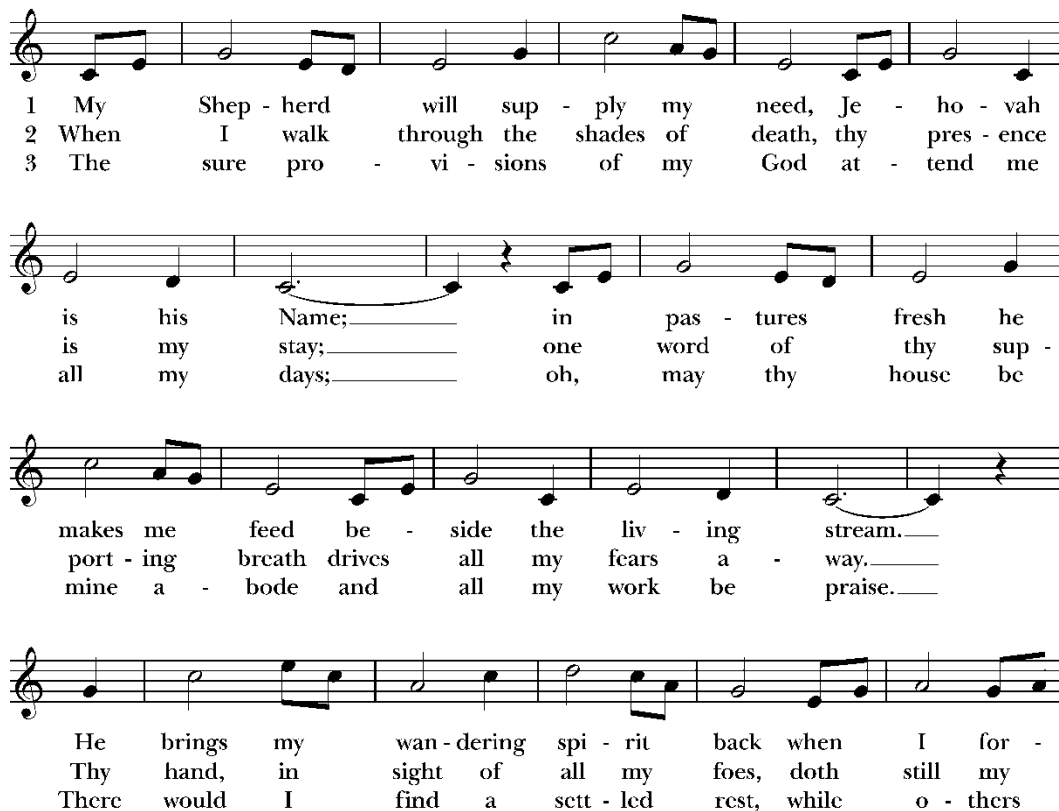
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (Psalm 23)

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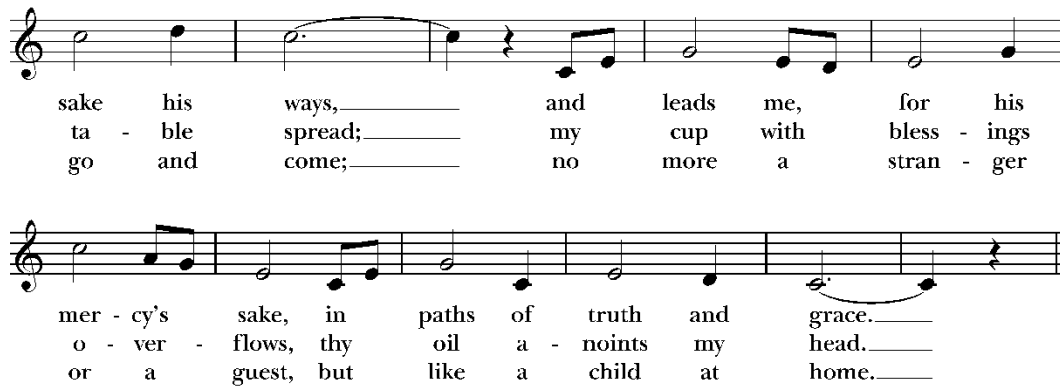


1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me

is his Name; in pas - tures fresh he
is my stay; one word of thy sup -
all my days; oh, may thy house be

makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
mine a - bode and all my work be praise.

He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Music: *Resignation*, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

The Second Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from the Revelation to John.

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

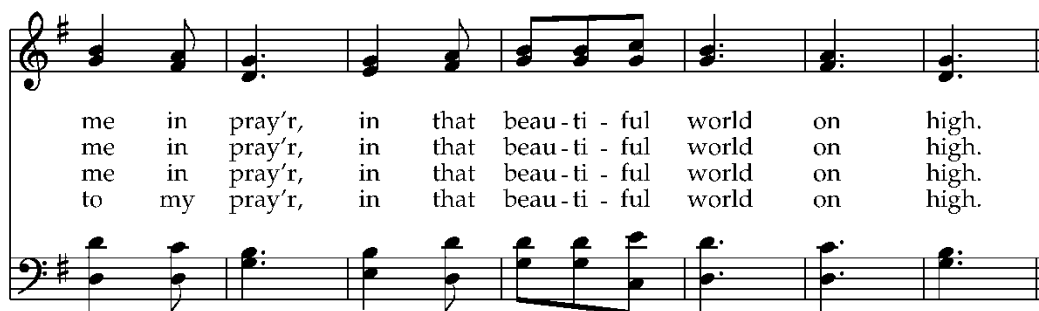
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn*I Hope My Mother Will Be There 1,2 / 3,4***#138 Voices Found**

1 I hope my mo - ther will be there, in that beau - ti - ful
2 I hope my sis - ter will be there, in that beau - ti - ful
3 I hope my bro - ther will be there, in that beau - ti - ful
4 I know my Sa - vior will be there, in that beau - ti - ful



world on high, _____ that used to join with
world on high, _____ that used to join with
world on high, _____ that used to join with
world on high, _____ that used to lis - ten



me in pray'r, in that beau - ti - ful world on high.
me in pray'r, in that beau - ti - ful world on high.
me in pray'r, in that beau - ti - ful world on high.
to my pray'r, in that beau - ti - ful world on high.

Refrain

Oh, I will be there, oh I will be there. ____

With the palms of vic - to - ry, crowns of glo - ry you shall



The Gospel

John 10:22-30

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Will Drosos

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

Kneeling as you are able, in joy and hope, let us pray to God.

That our risen Savior may fill the church with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, especially Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Bud, our Bishops; Fran, Will, Caroline, Lori, Rishabh, Mary and Nicole, our staff; Beth, our Seminarian; the teachers at the Early Learning Center; and the Vestry and Officers of St. Thomas, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

In unity with Christians around the world, we pray for Pope Leo XIV, that in all things he may do Christ's will and serve the common good. We are all one church united in prayer; we pray for all those who are isolated and persecuted; we name truth in the face of lies; we create room for grief in the face of denial; and we free space in our souls for hope. We seek God's guidance to ground us in all discernment. We pray: **Hear our prayer.**

That God will grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, especially all those in positions of public trust, Donald, our president, Glenn, our Governor, the officials of Fairfax County, and those whom you would name *[pause]*, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

That God will provide for those who lack food, work or shelter, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

That by God's power, war and famine may cease through all the world, especially in those places you would name *[pause]*, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

That God will reveal the light of his presence to those who are sick or suffering in any way, especially **Ethan, Vincent, Yusuf, Emily and Dave, Lynn, Andrew, Jan, Caroline, Jackie, Betsy, Enriqo, Karen, Tricia, Cathy, Erin, Andy, Diane, Alison, Dani**, and those whom you would name *[pause]*, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

That, according to Jesus' promise, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day, especially those whom you would name *[pause]*, we pray:
Hear our prayer.

We name these blessings: Louise Rosenburgh, Chuck Grimes, Brendan ten Siethoff, Jeson Ingraham, and all those celebrating birthdays this week; all those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week; and all those blessings you would name *[pause]*.

In the name of the risen Christ, we give thanks: **Alleluia!**

Holy God, send the fire of your Holy Spirit upon us, so that we may bear faithful witness to Christ's resurrection, we pray: **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Adapted from Common Worship – Church of England by The Rev. Fran Gardner-Smith

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.

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

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head over all. *1 Chronicles 29:11*



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Offertory Anthem

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Mark Schweizer

based on the Hymn Tune St. Columba and Bach's Canon in C

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never,
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

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. We will not have a healing minister during communion, but if you desire prayers for healing, you can see Rev. Will, Rev. Caroline, or Beth after church.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer D

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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Sanctus: #858 Wonder, Love, and Praise

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

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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 – #866 Wonder, Love, and Praise

The musical score is written on five staves. The first staff is for the Cantor, the second for the Choir, and the third for the Congregation & Choir. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia." The music is in 3/4 time and features various musical notations including notes, rests, and bar lines.

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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 worshipping on Zoom say the following prayer:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Shepherd of Souls

#343 Hymnal 1982

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final four lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, and the piano accompaniment is on the bottom staff of each system. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C).

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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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 God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

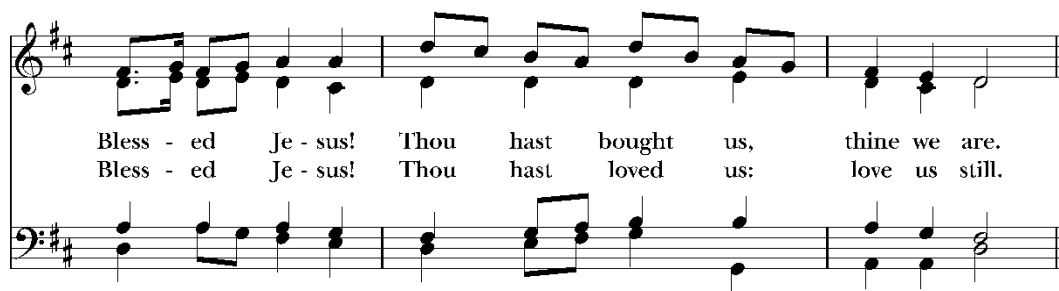
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1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!



Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt. Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792.

The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Variations on *St. Columba*

Worship Participants

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Preacher	Rev. Will Drosos
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Flower Guild	Altar flowers feature plants from ECW Garden-Sharing Plant Sale
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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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The Skinny at St. Thomas

May 11th, 2025



More information about many of these events can be found on the Announcements page on our website. Scan the QR code to see them.

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ECW Garden-sharing Plant Sale Today after Church

Please join us after the service today for the ECW Garden-sharing plant sale. We will be selling perennials (flowers that return every year) from our own gardens. Our objective is to make our world even more beautiful and to make plants affordable to more gardeners. If you no longer garden, these plants would be a thoughtful gift to new neighbors, new gardeners and many others.

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Pints with Doubting Thomas Wednesday, May 14th at 6:30 pm

at High Point Pub in Whole Foods, Tysons. Join us for learning and conversation in a relaxed environment. The first round of drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) is on us! This month, we will continue the discussion on Christian approaches to war, peace, and violence. We will highlight two new views: the Christian realist view and the church historical view.

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Ladies Lunch Bunch Outing We're joining Barbara Wicks Monday, May 19th at 11:15 am

Water Street Grill
Historic Downtown Winchester
with outdoor seating

Address: 2 S Loudoun St, Winchester, VA 22601

Phone: (540) 313-4680

Menu: waterstkitchen.com

Please text or email Audrey to confirm:

- 1) You'll attend
 - 2) If you'll drive to carpool
- audreyadair@gmail.com
or (813) 956-7550

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Coffee Hour Hosts needed for May, June, July

Sign-ups to host coffee hour are available via a link to SignUpGenius or by using the QR code, both of which are below. If you need help signing up electronically, I would be happy to help! We would like hosts to limit their food offerings to 2-3 items, to include fresh fruit or raw veggies (and indicate on the sign up if you can make coffee). Thank you for continuing this tradition of Fellowship at St. Thomas! Please contact me directly with any questions.

Becky Ventrini, Fellowship Hour Coordinator
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Home (703) 288-3166 / Cell: (202) 390-4412

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4EAAAC2CA64-52775851-stthomas>



United Thank Offering Update

Thank you to the St. Thomas community for a very successful United Thank Offering Ingathering, From the high visibility of the "Mighty Mite Box" in the Narthex whose design and construction was led by Ray Raymond, to the testimonies of gratitude expressed by our youth and those written and placed in our large blue box, we raised awareness of UTO and raised over \$1,000! Included in the amount raised for UTO is the \$250 winning bid by Jan Grimes for the coverlet donated by Barbara Wicks. While your donations are immensely helpful toward meeting humanitarian needs worldwide, learning the discipline of expressing gratitude is rewarding to our health and mental health and to our faith practice. This month's National UTO Newsletter profiled the work of our youth in creating the Mighty Mite Box whose visibility in the Narthex throughout Lent increased monetary donations and expressions of gratitude. *Now that thou has given so much to me, give one thing more, a grateful heart.*

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Tysons Interfaith Coffeehouse Wednesday, May 14th at 11:30 am

Greater Vienna Bahai'I Community Center
8521 Leesburg Pike, Suite 320, Vienna, VA 22182
(Please park in the garage in the back)

Join our friends at Tysons Interfaith on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for coffee and conversation. The Bahai'I Assemblies of McLean and Greater Vienna will provide the refreshments for this time of socializing and fellowship.

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SHARE Needs for May

Our ministry partner SHARE is always in need of food and personal care items for our neighbors in McLean, Tysons and Pimmit Hills. Visit this link <https://stthomasmcleanva.org/how-we-serve/helping-share>

Or scan the QR code below to see the current list of most needed items



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This Week

Monday May 12th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

6 pm – SOT Tech Meeting

Tuesday May 13th

12 pm – Midweek Holy Eucharist

Wednesday May 14th

10 am – Staff Meeting

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

6:30 pm – Pints with Doubting Thomas

Thursday May 15th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

Friday May 16th

11 am – McLean Islamic Center Worship

Sunday May 18th

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal

10 am – Worship