



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.

Pentecost Sunday



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM

June 8, 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

Choral Introit

Pentecost

Mark Schweizer

In the spirit of Pentecost, we invite the congregation to join in singing with the choir!

Come O Spirit of Fire
To all people inspire
Holy wind, holy fire
Rushing down in glory
Tell the ancient story.

Refrain:

*Rushing wind, wind, wind
Tongues of flame, flame, flame
Rushing wind, tongues of flame
Who will tell the story?*

Come O Spirit of Flame
To your people proclaim
God in Spirit became
For us to inherit
Father, Son, and Spirit.

Refrain

Come O Spirit of Light
Pentecost is your might
Seven gifts sent aright
To your congregation
Blessing every nation.

Refrain

Father, Son, Spirit blest
Ever our welcomed guest
Be all honor addressed
Endless praise be given
To the Lord in Heaven.

Refrain

Come O Spirit of Love,
From the Father above,
Come the heavenly dove,
Shine in all your glory,
Tell the ancient story.

Refrain

Procession

Come Down O Love Divine

#516 Hymnal 1982

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt. Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

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 musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble and bass staves) and a piano line (treble and bass staves). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The music is in a hymn style, with a steady rhythm and a clear melody.

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.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

At this time, members of our congregation will say the preceding sentence in multiple languages

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs--in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 (*We will pray a portion of Psalm 104 responsively by half verse*)

- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
**in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.**
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
**you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.**
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.
- 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

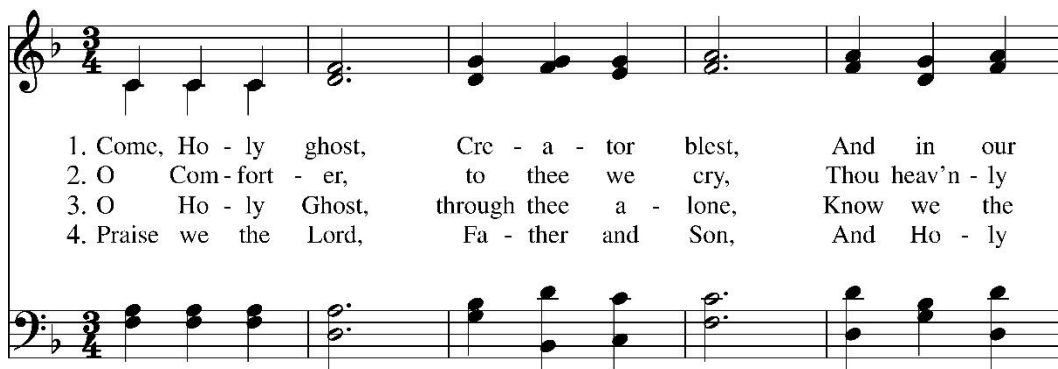
Romans 8:14-17

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

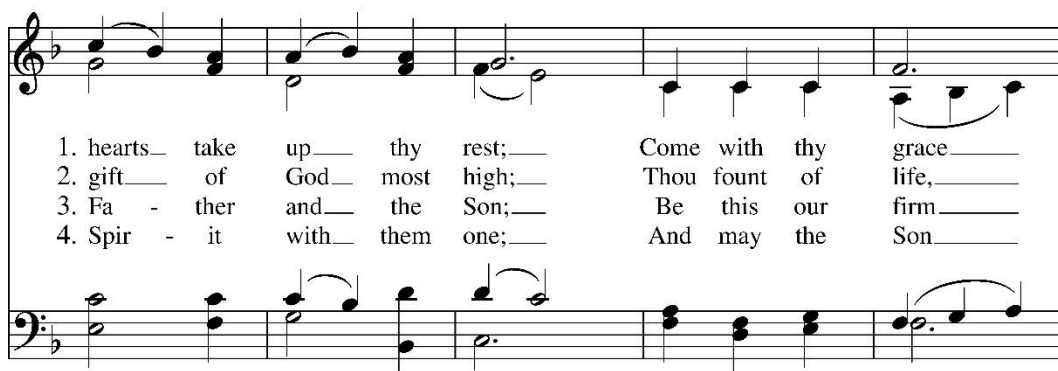
All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn**Come Holy Ghost 1,2 / 3,4****#112 Lift Every Voice and Sing II**

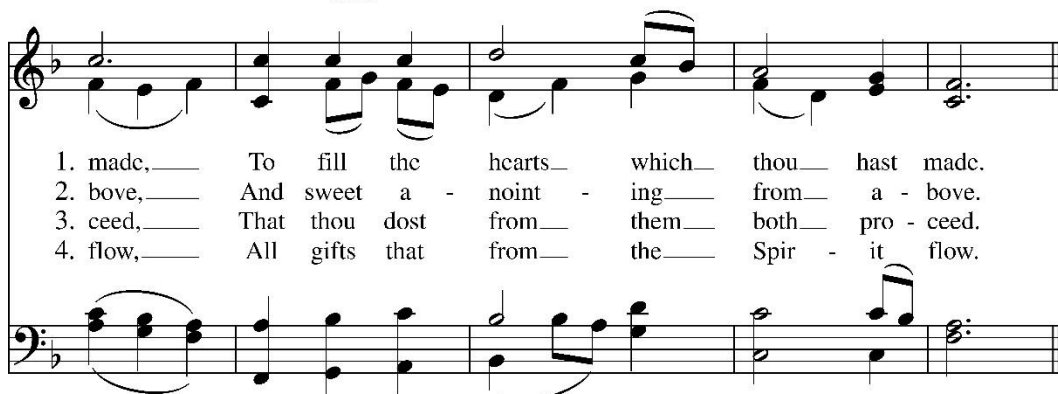
1. Come, Ho - ly ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And in our
2. O Com - fort - er, to thee we cry, Thou heav'n - ly
3. O Ho - ly Ghost, through thee a - lone, Know we the
4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and Son, And Ho - ly



1. hearts take up thy rest; Come with thy grace
2. gift of God most high; Thou fount of life,
3. Fa - ther and the Son; Be this our firm
4. Spir - it with them one; And may the Son



1. and heav'n - ly aid To fill the hearts which thou hast
2. and fire of love, And sweet a - noint - ing from a -
3. un - chang - ing creed, That thou dost from them both pro -
4. on us be - stow All gifts that from the Spir - it



1. made, To fill the hearts which thou hast made.
2. bove, And sweet a - noint - ing from a - bove.
3. ceed, That thou dost from them both pro - ceed.
4. flow, All gifts that from the Spir - it flow.

Words: *Veni, Creator Spiritus*; altr. Rabanus Maurus, 776-856; tr. Edward Caswell (1814-1878), alt. Music: *Lambillotte*, LM; with repeat; Louis Lambillotte, SJ (1796-1855); harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Harm. Copyright © 1992 G.I.A. Publications, Inc., Chicago, IL. All Rights Reserved.

The Gospel

John 14:8-17, 25-27

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Fr. 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

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.

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. 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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, 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.

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 Byron Knight, Robin Crigler, Graham Forward, Skeets Meyer, and all those celebrating birthdays this week; for Debby and K.P. Reed, Eric and Sarah ten Siethoff, and 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, Yusuf, Emily and Dave, Lynn, Andrew, Jan, Caroline, Jackie, Cathy, Erin, Andy, Diane, Alison, Dani, Sean, Bill, Katie and Scott, Bill, Frank, Bridgid, Lorraine,** 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. We remember all 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.

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

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.



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

Offertory Anthem

Come Holy Spirit

Mark Schweizer

(based on Handel's *Judas Maccabaeus*)

Come, Holy Spirit, into our hearts;
With wind and flames, Holy you came,
that the nations might praise your name.

Come, Holy Spirit, into our hearts;
And with thy seven-fold gifts impart.
Come spirit bright, come with thy light,
Come in thy power and thy people unite.
Forth from the Father, merciful, thou art.

Come, Holy Spirit, truth divine;
Come, fill our lives and make them thine;
Come with thy blessings,
Come within our hearts to shine.

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

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**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 A**

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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down 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 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:

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.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.**

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 four staves. The first staff is for the Cantor, the second for the Choir, and the third and fourth for the Congregation & Choir. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. 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 treble clefs, 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.



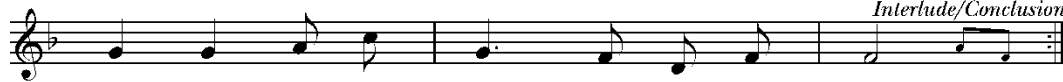
1 Praise the Spi - rit in cre - a - tion, breath of God, life's or - i -
 2 Praise the Spi - rit, close com - pan - ion of our in - most thoughts and
 3 Praise the Spi - rit, who en - light-ened priests and pro - phets with the
 4 Tell of how the a - scend - ed Je - sus armed a peo - ple for his
 5 Pray we then, O Lord the Spi - rit, on our lives de - scend in
 6 Praise, O praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit, praise the Fa - ther, praise the



1 gin: Spi - rit, mov - ing on the wa - ters, quick - ening
 2 ways; who, in show - ing us God's won - ders, is him -
 3 word; his the truth be - hind the wis - doms which as
 4 own; how a hun - dred men and wo - men turned the
 5 might; let your flame break out with - in us, fire our
 6 Word, Source, and Truth, and In - spi - ra - tion, Trin - i -



1 worlds to life with - in, source of breath to all things
 2 self the power to gaze; and God's will, to those who
 3 yet know not our Lord; by whose love and power, in
 4 known world up - side down, to its dark and fur - thest
 5 hearts and clear our sight, till, white - hot in your pos -
 6 ty in deep ac - cord: through your voice which speaks with -



1 breath - ing, life in whom all lives be - gin.
 2 lis - ten by a still small voice con - vey.
 3 Je - sus God him - self was seen and heard.
 4 cor - ners by the wind of hea - ven blown.
 5 sces - sion, we, too, set the world a - light.
 6 in us we, your crea - tures, call you Lord.



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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 God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Recessional Hymn can be found on the next page

Recessional Hymn***Holy Spirit, Ever Living*****#511 Hymnal 1982**

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,

through her in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er
set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er

form - ing in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with
bind - ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a fel - low -

end - less wor - ship for thy fruits and gifts un - priced.
ship un - end - ing thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

The musical score is written for two parts, Treble and Bass, in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). It consists of six systems of music. The first system includes two vocal parts with lyrics. The subsequent systems continue the melody and harmony, with lyrics provided for the vocal parts. The score concludes with a final double bar line.

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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

Prelude in F Major

J.S. Bach

Worship Participants

Presider	Rev. Caroline Mitchell
Preacher	Fr. Will Drosos
Acolyte	Will Ferris
Altar Guild	Anne Spear
Flower Guild	Cleta Raymond
Digital Usher	Jennifer Alexander
Digital Verger	Chuck Grimes
Lector & Intercessor	Pat Smith
Eucharistic Minister	Steve Wickman
Usher	Becky Vantorini
Fellowship Hour Host	Walter Lazear & Audrey Adair

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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 June 8th, 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.

Fr. Will Out of Office for Continuing Education

From this upcoming Tuesday, June 10th, to the following Thursday, June 19th, Fr. Will is going to be out of the office for a continuing education opportunity. During this time, Rishabh will be the primary point of contact for any questions and concerns. Rev. Caroline is available for spiritual support and pastoral care emergencies. You can reach her by email at kfshplp@gmail.com and her phone number is (970) 417-8417 for emergencies.

Pints with Doubting Thomas

Wednesday, June 11th 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!

Tysons Interfaith Coffeehouse

Wednesday, June 11th 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.

Historic Pleasant Grove Annual Open House

Our friends at Historic Pleasant Grove will have their annual open house and museum grand reopening on June 14th from 10am to 2pm. Address:

8641 Lewinsville Rd, McLean, VA

June ECW Meeting

The next meeting of the ECW will be at 11:30 on Sunday, June 22nd, in the ELC Conference Room and on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89293053734?pwd=4p7CQG62EVNyoEOfrteLdwI7R1Z0Jl.1>

Meeting ID: 892 9305 3734

Passcode: 654692

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Monday, June 23rd at 11:15 am

We'll dine at

Magnolias Restaurant

198 North 21st Street

Purcellville, Virginia 20132

Phone: (540) 338-9800

General: magnolias@magnoliasmill.com

Please contact Jane Frierson if you have questions or are running late (703) 536-4490.

After lunch, follow Jane to the stable to visit her horse, Earl – a ten minute drive from Magnolias.

SHARE Needs

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



Coffee Hour Hosts needed for June and July

Thank you to all that have signed up for coffee hour this year. We are now in need of hosts for Sundays in June and July. Coffee hour sign-ups 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! Under our new format, we would like hosts to limit their food offerings to 2-3 items, to include fresh fruit or raw veggies for our health-conscious and diet-restricted friends. Also, for those of you who are not comfortable making the coffee, you can ask for someone else to make the coffee for you as part of the sign-up process. (Just answer yes or no if you need help.) Thank you for continuing this tradition of Fellowship at St. Thomas! If you have any questions, please contact me directly.

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>



Volunteer to Support Fairfax Diapers

Thursday, July 3rd at 10am

Join us for the next monthly repackaging meeting at Fairfax diapers. The task is simply repackaging diapers from bulk quantities to household-size bundles to be distributed to needy families. If you are interested, please access the sign up by scanning the QR code below. Questions? Please contact Anne Spear by phone at (703) 915-4300.



SHARE Garden Update and Invitation

The Share Garden is growing! The potatoes have stalks and are beginning to flower. This should yield spuds for Share later in the summer. Greens---lettuce, arugula, kale and spinach are almost ready for the first harvest. We also planted eggplant, cucumbers, zucchini, okra and string beans for summer harvest. Thank you to all who have helped us so far. We'll need some additional help as the crops mature. Please watch for an announcement regarding some light weeding, harvesting and delivery to Share.

This Week

Monday June 9th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

Tuesday June 10th

12 pm – Midweek Eucharist

7:30 pm – Wolf Trap Woods HOA Annual Meeting

Wednesday June 11th

10 am – Staff Meeting

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

6:30 pm – Pints with Doubting Thomas

Thursday June 12th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

Friday June 13th

11 am to 3 pm – McLean Islamic Center Worship

Saturday June 14th

7:45 am – Men Eating Breakfast

2:30 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

Sunday June 15th

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal

10 am – Worship

2:30 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal