



**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.

# Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM

June 28, 2026

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

Fr. Will Drosos

### Prelude

*Please stand as you are able.*

### Procession

*The Church's One Foundation*

#525 Hymnal 1982

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,  
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war  
 5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:  
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;  
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;  
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,  
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 2 and to one hope she presses, with every grace endowed.  
 3 and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.  
 4 and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.  
 5 like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

**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.**

*Children's Chapel is on break for the summer. Children are welcome to stay with us in the sanctuary and are encouraged to be full participants in the worship service.*

**Gloria**

*Glory to God*

**#S280 Hymnal 1982**

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

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

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

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

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the lessons.*

### **The First Lesson**

### **Jeremiah 28:5-9**

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 89:1-4,15-18** (*We will pray a portion of Psalm 89 responsively by half verse*)

- 1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; \*  
**from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.**
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; \*  
**you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; \*  
**I have sworn an oath to David my servant:**
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever, \*  
**and preserve your throne for all generations.'"**
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! \*  
**they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.**
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; \*  
**they are jubilant in your righteousness.**
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, \*  
**and by your favor our might is exalted.**
- 18 Truly, the Lord is our ruler; \*  
**the Holy One of Israel is our King.**

**The Second Lesson**

**Romans 6:12-23**

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able for the sequence hymn and Gospel reading.  
As a sign of respect, please turn to face the Gospel.

**Sequence Hymn**

**Blest Are the Pure in Heart**

**#656 Hymnal 1982**

(Verses 1,2 before the Gospel and Verses 3,4 after the Gospel)

The musical score is presented in two systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the  
2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to  
3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and  
4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's a - bode.  
dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;  
for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.  
us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

Words: Sts. 1 and 3, John Keble (1792-1866), alt.; sts. 2 and 4, William John Hall (1793-1861), alt. Music: *Franconia*, melody Johann Balhasar König (1691-1758); adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870).

**The Gospel**

**Matthew 10:40-42**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

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.**

*You are invited to kneel as you are able for the Prayers of the People.*

## The Prayers of the People

**Form II**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. In the silence after each prayer, you may offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops; Fran, Will, Lori, Rishabh, Susan, Holly, Nicole, and David, our staff; the teachers at the Early Learning Center; and the Vestry and Officers of St. Thomas; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those who are poor, sick, hungry, oppressed, or in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those who are on our parish prayer list: **Ethan, Vincent, Lynn, Emily and Dave, Yusuf, Erin, Andy, Diane, Alison, Bill, Chuck, Dani, Skeets, Debby, Cristina, Wilma, Karen, Tricia, Janette, Barry, Abby, Michael, Kathy, Nici, Wes, Bruce, Yan, Nancy and Mike, Eric and Em, Michelle, Dan, Eddie, Tobin, Zorha, Jack, Joe, Audrey, Richard,** and those you would name either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

I ask your thanksgiving for Brad Hargroves, Mary Knight, Will Regan, Wade Smith, and all those celebrating birthdays this week; for Alison Pruitt and Fred Young and all those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week; and for those blessings you would name either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

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:

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through 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

I appeal to you, siblings in Christ, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*



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

*You may be seated for the Offertory Hymn.*

## Offertory Hymn

### *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

#655 Hymnal 1982

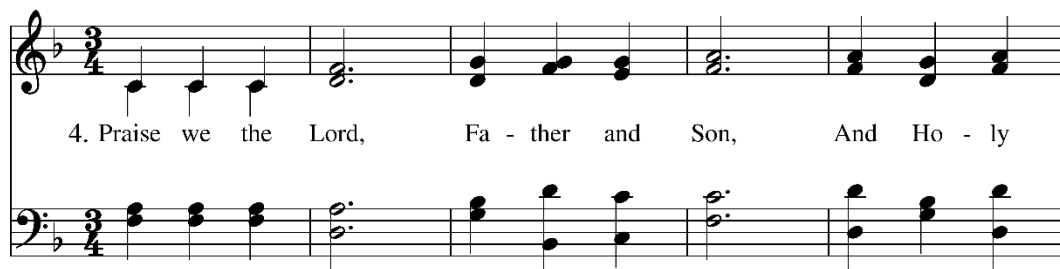


1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end:  
2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,  
be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;  
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;  
I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,  
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;  
nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.  
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.  
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt. Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948).  
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*Please stand as you are able when the offering is brought forward.*

**The Doxology** *Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest* #112 **Lift Every Voice and Sing II, Verse 4**



4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and Son, And Ho - ly



4. Spir - it with them one; And may the Son



4. on us be - stow All gifts that from the Spir - it



4. flow, All gifts that from the Spir - it flow.

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer C**

(2024 Update Approved by General Convention)

May God 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.**

God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: shining light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with the capacity for memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of your creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, opening for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Sanctus**

**#S129 Hymnal 1982**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven 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.\_\_\_\_\_

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate Christ's death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.**

Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.

**Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

*A period of silence follows, and then the following anthem is sung.*

**The Fraction**

**#873 Wonder, Love, and Praise**

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a time signature of 2/4. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Those who". The piano accompaniment has a grand staff with treble and bass clefs. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line lyrics are: "eat my flesh and drink my blood a - bide in me and". The piano accompaniment continues with the same instrumentation.

I in them. Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of staves. The top system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The vocal line has lyrics: "I in them. Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia." The piano accompaniment is in the right hand and left hand. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style.

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.

*All who desire a relationship with God through Jesus Christ are welcome at communion, regardless of age or tradition. Please come forward at the invitation of an usher.*

*If you wish to receive the bread and sip from the chalice, please go the right side of the altar.*

*If you prefer to receive the bread and have a minister dip it in the chalice, please go the left side of the altar.*

*If you prefer, you may come forward for a blessing. Indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.*

**Gluten free wafers are available on request. Please indicate to the minister when you come forward.**

*There will be no healing prayers during communion today. If you desire prayers for healing—for yourself or for others—please see Rev. Fran after the service.*

**Communion Hymn**

*Here, O My Lord*

**#318 Hymnal 1982**

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;  
 3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need  
 4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;

here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;  
 an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;  
 mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.

here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
 here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
 Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;

and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.  
 here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
 my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.  
 thy Blood, thy right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Here, O My Lord". It consists of four systems of staves. Each system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style.

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

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion on Zoom**

**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.**

*Please kneel as you are able for the post-communion prayer*

**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 Fr. Will Drosos*

**The Blessing**

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Now, go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.**

*From Saint Clare*

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn**

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

**#518 Hymnal 1982**

1 Christ is made the sure founda-tion, Christ the head and  
2 All that dedi-cated ci-ty, dear-ly loved of  
3 To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
4 Here vouch-safe to all thy serv-ants what they ask of

cor-ner-stone, cho-sen of the Lord, and pre-cious,  
God on high, in ex-ult-ant ju-bi-la-tion  
Hosts, to-day; with thy wont-ed lov-ing-kind-ness  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev-er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1856), alt. Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929). Descant by permission of Church Society, London.

### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

#### **Worship Participants**

Presider & Preacher	Fr. Will Drosos
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Questions, comments, concerns, compliments, all welcome.

## ***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 Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026



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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### St. Thomas Banner

A large St. Thomas banner is currently up and is visible from Route 7. The vestry and staff are evaluating its effectiveness and we would appreciate your feedback. Please let a staff member or vestry member know what you think!

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### Share Garden Deliveries

The Share Garden Project has started making regular deliveries to share. If you would like to participate in this whether by an occasional delivery to Share or helping with some light garden maintenance, please contact Jon Spear@ [jon.spear1@verizon.net](mailto:jon.spear1@verizon.net).

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### Ladies Lunch Bunch

You are invited to attend lunch bunch!

**Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM**  
**Red's Table**

11150 South Lakes Dr  
South Lake Shopping Center

To confirm you'll attend, you can text Audrey at 813-956-7550

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### Save the Date for Shrine Mont 2026!

**Labor Day Weekend – September 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>**

Join Rev. Fran and special guest, Rev. Sarah Kye Price, Vocations Minister in the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia and an iconographer. Sarah and Fran will co-lead us in an experience of interactive learning about icons and prayer. As always, we'll also enjoy games, hiking, snacks, worship, and the joy of being together in beautiful Orkney Springs! Registration opens this week and more details will follow in July.

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### Coffee Hour Hosts Needed for July

We are seeking hosts for refreshments which will be served following the 10:00am service each Sunday. You can sign up using the QR code below. We ask hosts to provide 2-3 items, including fresh fruit or veggies, and you can indicate if you'd like to make the coffee. Reach out to the office if you have questions at [parishadmin@stthomasmclean.org](mailto:parishadmin@stthomasmclean.org)



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### Ushers Needed for July and August

If you would like to try your hand at ushering, we'd love to have you on our team! This is a great summer gig for Choir members :) Scan the QR code to access the sign up. If you need any help, reach out to Mary Lee [maryleemontfort@gmail.com](mailto:maryleemontfort@gmail.com)



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### Pints with Doubting Thomas

**Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30**

Have Questions? We've got you! Our Adult Forum offers an engaging and intellectually stimulating experience that goes deeper than traditional Sunday School. We will be meeting offsite (location TBD) next month for Rishabh's last Pints and doing a theological Q&A! Reach out to Rishabh or Fr. Will if you have any questions that you'd like to talk about!

## Meet Me at the Opera!

July 10-19. Shakespeare Opera Theatre at St. Thomas presents *Tartuffe* and *Susannah*, two American Opera Gems in celebration of America 250! Both operas center on themes of religious and moral hypocrisy, *Tartuffe* with hilarity, *Susannah* with tragedy. Attend both shows and get 10% off! Grab your tickets at [shakespeareoperatheatre.com](http://shakespeareoperatheatre.com)

**Susannah** Polk is a young woman whose beauty and independence make her stand out in her tightly-knit mountain community. When she's accused of immoral behavior by the valley's self-righteous elders, rumor quickly hardens into judgment. Even the well-meaning Reverend is torn between compassion and desire, creating turmoil that drives the drama to bitter tragedy. Carlisle Floyd's score fuses Appalachian folk sounds with soaring lyricism, creating one of the most unforgettable American works of the 20th century. (Sung in English, run time of 120 minutes with one intermission)

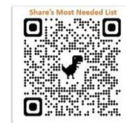
**Tartuffe** is an impossibly charming imposter who smooth-talks his way toward power, money and romance within a wealthy household—until his ruse is hilariously exposed. Packed with non-stop wit and lyrical sparkle by composer Kirke Mechem, America meets Versailles in this lively musical take on Molières classic skewering of moral and religious hypocrisy. (Sung in English, run time of 120 minutes with one intermission)

**Shakespeare Opera Theatre** at St. Thomas is delighted to share our gratitude for grants from the Ross Roberts Fund for the Arts of the Community Foundation of Northern Virginia, The Dimick Foundation, and the Fairfax250 fund, as well as individual gifts that support our performances. We're also pleased to announce that college-aged interns have joined us this summer to study arts administration and technical theater. When you see them around the building, please greet them along with performers. Our new tagline is "Timeless Stories. Extraordinary Voices." Thank you, St. Thomas, for your unwavering support and love!

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### Share Most Needed Items for June

Our ministry partner SHARE is always in need of food and personal care items for our neighbors in McLean, Tysons and Pimmit Hills.



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### This Week

#### Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>

- 11:15 am – Ladies Lunch Bunch
- 12 pm – Noonday Prayer
- 7 pm – McLean 100 HOA Meeting
- 7 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

#### Tuesday June 30<sup>th</sup>

- 12 pm – Holy Eucharist
- 6 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

#### Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup>

- 12 pm – Noonday Prayer
- 6 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

#### Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 12 pm – Noonday Prayer
- 6:15 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

#### Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 11 am to 3 pm – McLean Islamic Center Worship
- 6 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

#### Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30 am – Choir Rehearsal
- 10 am – Worship
- 3:30 pm – Confession (with Fr. Will)
- 5 pm – High Mass
- 5:30 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal