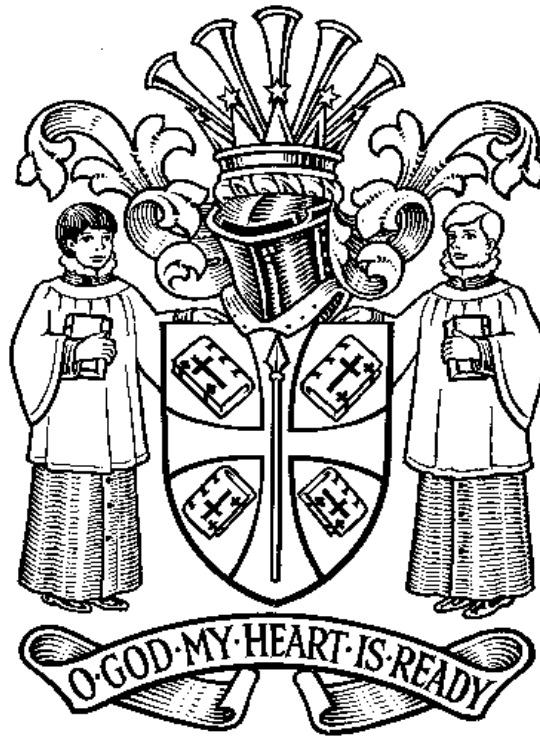


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THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.
ASCENSION DAY

PROCESSION AND SOLEMN EUCHARIST
SUNG BY THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR

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through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

Toccata Ottava di durezza e ligature

Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583-1643)

SETTING

Missa quarti toni

Tomás Luis de Victoria
(1548-1611)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.

HYMN

LLANFAIR



1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
*3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!
lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!
See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!
raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!
Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!
Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!
there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!
take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!
bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

VIRI Galilaei quid admiramini aspicientes in caelum? Alleluia.
 Quemadmodum vidistis eum ascendentem in caelum, ita veniet. Alleluia.
 Omnes gentes plaudite manibus: jubilate Deo in voce exultationis.
 Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto,
 sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

*Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? Alleluia.
 this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven,
 shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. Alleluia.
 O clap your hands together all ye people, O sing unto God with the voice of melody.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
 As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.*

Acts 1:11, Psalm 47:1

THE EASTER GREETING

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

SEEING that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus
 the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy,
 and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14, 16

The Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The People kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant says

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and
 remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life,
 and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The People stand.

GLORIA in excelsis Deo,
 et in terra pax
 hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
 Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
 adoramus te, glorificamus te.
 Gratias agimus tibi
 propter magnam gloriam tuam.
 Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
 Deus Pater omnipotens.
 Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
 Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
 Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,
 miserere nobis.
 Qui tollis peccata mundi,
 suscipe deprecationem nostram.
 Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
 miserere nobis.
 Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
 tu solus Dominus,
 tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.
 Cum Sancto Spiritu
 in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
 and on earth peace,
 good will towards men.
 We praise thee, we bless thee,
 we worship thee, we glorify thee.
 We give thanks to thee
 for thy great glory,
 O Lord God, heavenly King,
 God the Father almighty.
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
 have mercy upon us.
 For thou only art holy;
 thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ.
 With the Holy Ghost, art most high
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Acts 1:1-11

The Lector concludes The Word of the Lord.
The People respond Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (*Tone V*)

OMNES GENTES, PLAUDITE

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people: O Sing unto God with the voice of melody.
 For the Lord is high, and to be feared: he is the great King upon all the earth.
 He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet.
 He shall choose out an heritage for us: even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
 God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God: O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
 For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.
 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat.
 The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham: for God,
 which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:15-23

The Subdeacon concludes The Word of the Lord.
The People respond Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
Cantor Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
People **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-53

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

HOMILY

The Rev. Mark Schultz
Associate for Pastoral Care

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

GOD has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

Cf. 2 Corinthians 1:22

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 And with thy spirit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Jacobus (Gallus) Handl
(1550-1591)

ASCENDO ad Patrem meum et Patrem vestrum, Deum meum et Deum vestrum. Alleluia.
Elevatis minibus benedixit eis, et ferebatur in caelum, alleluia.

I ascend unto my Father and your Father, to my God and your God. Alleluia.
He blessed them with raised hands and was carried into heaven. Alleluia.

John 20:17, Luke 24:51

HYMN

ST. MAGNUS

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues

IT is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to his disciples; and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The People kneel or stand.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

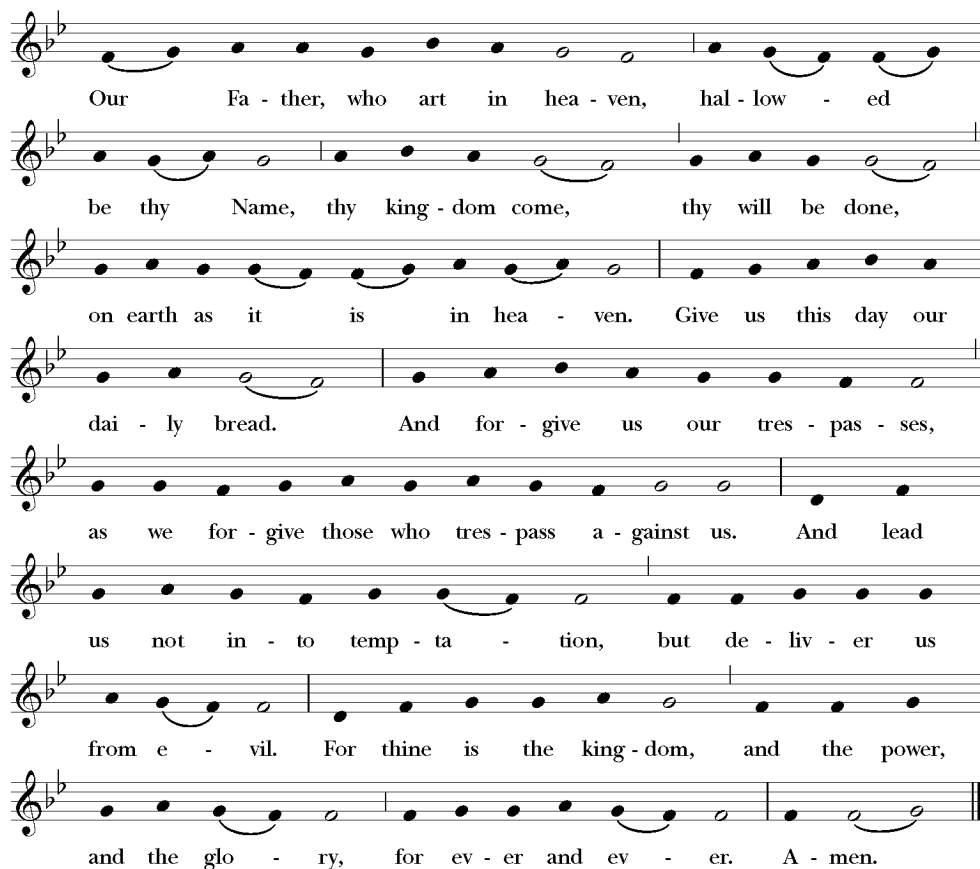
The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

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

People and Celebrant



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BEHOLD the Lamb of God: behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;
I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.
Never permit me to be separated from thee!
O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may
die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed in one kind only at the Crossing.
Gluten free hosts are available; please ask the priest.*

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

AGNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE EASTERTIDE BLESSING

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.*

THE EASTER DISMISSAL

Deacon



Go, in the peace of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

People



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

VOLUNTARY

Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

CHORAL SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

The choral services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

✠ **SUNDAY, MAY 29**

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell

sung by the Noble Singers

Sermon by Mo. Lee-Pae

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Sermon by The Rector

PARISH NOTICES

Friday Bible Study continues on Friday at 1 p.m.. Fr. Schultz will lead a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Part One of the Series will cover the Prologue to John (1:1-18) as well as what scholars have named The Book of Signs (1:19 through chapter 12,) and these will last through July. For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Contemplative Prayer continues on Friday at 5:30 p.m. in the Resurrection Chapel. Mo. Lee-Pae will lead Taize praise, Centering Prayer and Lectio-Divina every Friday. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at PLeePae@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings. Sunday School takes place each week following the 9 a.m. Mass both in person on the third floor of the Parish House as well as via Zoom. The Nursery Room is available for babies and toddlers with their parents during the 11 a.m. Mass. Young children with their families are also welcome to use the quiet area in the Chantry Chapel during the Mass. For any queries regarding the above or to receive our weekly newsletter please contact: ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, has begun leading worship for our Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. It's not too late to join! No audition is necessary; just enthusiasm and a love of music. Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. and/or Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m. For more information, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Spring Theology Lecture. We are pleased to announce that the Spring Theology Lecture will be titled "One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic: Anglican and Episcopal Ecclesiology," and it will be delivered by The Rev. Dr. Patrick S. Cheng, our Theologian in Residence. Fr. Cheng's lecture will focus on ecclesiology, or the doctrine of the church, and its particular manifestation in the Anglican and Episcopal context. Among other things, Fr. Cheng will discuss the principle of conciliarism and the polity of The Episcopal Church as expressed in its upcoming 80th General Convention, which will be held in Baltimore in July. The lecture will be held in person at the Fifth Floor of the Parish House, and via Zoom on Thursday, June 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Attendance is free and open to the public. If you are interested in attending the lecture via Zoom, you may RSVP to Fr. Moretz at MMoretz@SaintThomasChurch.org, and Zoom access credentials will be provided.

Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course. We are pleased to announce that this course is returning to the church and Choir School this summer! The response to this course has been overwhelming with young women from around the country applying to join us for this weeklong, intensive choral experience. This summer, choristers will sing five services at the church during the week of July 23-31. If you would like to support our current Girls' Course fund, please visit the [onetime donation page](#) on our website and select "Girls Chorister Course" from the drop-down menu. Thank you for supporting this important mission of our church and Choir School.