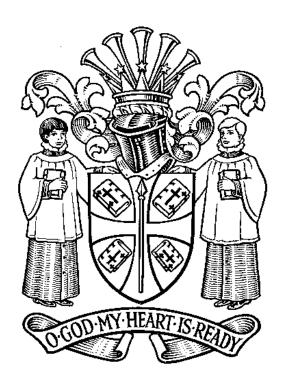
SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE in the CITY OF NEW YORK

The Rev. Canon Carl F. Turner, Rector



SOLEMN EUCHARIST

In thanksgiving for the life of

BARBARA HELEN BATTLE

November 23, 1934 — May 2, 2022

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022 AT 2 PM





OD'S love and power extend over all creation. Every life, including our own, is precious to God. Christians have always believed that there is hope in death as in life, and that there is new life in Christ over death.

EVEN those who share such faith find that there is a real sense of loss at the death of a loved one. We will each have had our own experiences of their life and death, with different memories and different feelings of love, grief and respect. To acknowledge this at the beginning of the service should help us to use this occasion to express our faith and our feelings as we say farewell, acknowledge our loss and our sorrow, and to reflect on our own mortality. Those who mourn need support and consolation. Our presence here today is part of that continuing support.

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Elegy

George Thomas Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

MASS SETTING

Missa Saeculorum Amen

Francisco Guerrero (1528-15999)

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

THE BURIAL SENTENCES

Sung by the Choir

William Croft (1678-1727)

AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shalt stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord.

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

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*.

KYRIE ELEISON

Sung by the Choir.

Kyrie Eleison
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Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christe Eleison etc. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie Eleison etc. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

A LMIGHTY God, we remember this day before thee thy faithful servant Barbara; and we pray that, having opened to her the gates of larger life, thou wilt receive her more and more into thy joyful service, that, with all who have faithfully served thee in the past, she may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-12 read by Pamela Lewis, Head Lector

A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah

ALL the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel. And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month. And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive unto the book of the law. And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up: And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand the law: and the people stood in their place. So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

And Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day is holy unto the Lord your God; mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law. Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength. So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day is holy; neither be ye grieved. And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.

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

LUCERNA PEDIBUS MEIS

THY word is a lantern unto my feet: and a light unto my paths.

▲ I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed: to keep thy righteous judgements.

I am troubled above measure: quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord: and teach me thy judgements.

My soul is alway in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.

The ungodly have laid a snare for me: but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever: and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway: even unto the end.

Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord: And let light perpetual shine upon her.

THE EPISTLE 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 read by Lee Anderson

A Reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy

A BIDE thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; and that from a babe thou hast known the sacred writings which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work.

I charge thee in the sight of God, and of Christ Jesus, who shall judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be urgent in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure the sound doctrine; but, having itching ears, will heap to themselves teachers after their own lusts; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and turn aside unto fables. But be thou sober in all things, suffer hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil thy ministry.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)

The People stand.



Cantor

I am the resurrection and the life saith the Lord: He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.



THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 7:24-29

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

JESUS saith to his disciples, "Every one therefore that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them, shall be likened unto a wise man, who built his house upon the rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon the rock. And every one that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and smote upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall thereof."

And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these words, the multitudes were astonished at his teaching: for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

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

The People Sit.

REMEMBRANCES

People

Charlie Battle Beth Battle Anderson



 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guide while life shall last, and ourt eternal home.

The Rev. Andrew C. Mead Rector Emeritus

MOTET

Charles Wood
(1866-1926)

VIEW me, Lord, a work of Thine: Shall I then lie drown'd in night? Might Thy grace in me but shine, I should seem made all of light.

Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel At Thine altar pure and white: They that once Thy mercies feel, Gaze no more on earth's delight. Worldly joys, like shadows, fade When the heav'nly light appears, But the cov'nants Thou hast made, Endless, know nor days nor years.

In Thy Word, Lord, is my trust, To Thy mercies fast I fly; Though I am but clay and dust, Yet Thy grace can lift me high. Amen.

Thomas Campion

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

read by Brooks Battle

For our sister, Barbara, let us pray to our Savior Jesus Christ who said: "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

The People kneel.

Jesus, who consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; be with us and all who mourn for Barbara and dry the tears of those who weep. Hear us, O Christ.

Jesus, who wept at the grave of Lazarus, thy friend. Comfort us in our sorrow. Hear us, O Christ.

Jesus, who raised the dead to life. Give to our sister Barbara eternal life. *Hear us, O Christ.*

Jesus, who promised paradise to the thief who repented. Bring our sister Barbara to the joys of heaven. Hear us, O Christ.

Barbara was washed in the waters of Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her a place in the company of thy saints. Hear us, O Christ.

Barbara was nourished with thy Body and Blood in the Eucharist; grant her a place at the table at the banquet thou hast promised to thy people at the close of the age. Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort us in our sorrow at the death of Barbara; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope. *Hear us, O Christ.*

After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect

RANT us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in thy eternal and everlasting glory, and, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Saint Thomas our Patron, and all thy saints, to receive the crown of life which thou dost promise to all who share in the victory of thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

The People stand.

The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words

JESUS said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

John 14:27

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

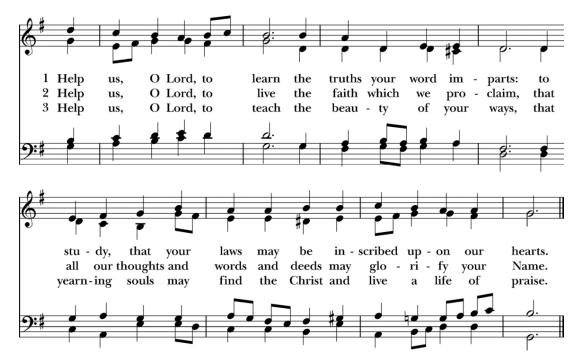
ANTHEMSung by the Choir
William Harris
(1883-1973)

HOLY is the true light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict: from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendor, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.

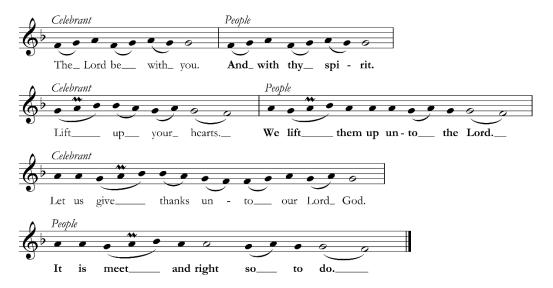
Alleluia.

The Salisbury Diurnal George Herbert Palmer (1842-1933)

HYMN ST. ETHELWALD



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Celebrant sings the Preface

T 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 Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and doth comfort us with the blessed hope of everlasting life; for to thy faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body doth lie in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all thecompany 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.

Holy, holy, holy,

Lord God of Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. 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 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

L IKEWISE, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

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,

Celebrant and People

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, People

but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those unable to receive Holy Communion)

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

GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, **1** 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 upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The People kneel. The Celebrant says this prayer

A LMIGHTY God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The People stand.

THE COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

The Celebrant says

DEARLY Beloved, before we part let us bid farewell to our sister Barbara, and may this greeting expressed here for the last time bear witness to our love, lighten our sorrow, and strengthen our hope. For one day, we will greet her again in a place where Christ wipes away all tears and puts an end even to death itself.

During this next hymn, the family gather at the Urn Vault in the Resurrection Chapel.

HYMN ST. CLEMENT



THE COMMITTAL

The Celebrant says

ALL that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

He that raised up Jesus from the dead will also give life to our mortal bodies, by his Spirit that dwelleth in us.

Wherefore my heart is glad, and my spirit rejoiceth; my flesh also shall rest in hope.

Thou shalt show me the path of life; in thy presence is the fullness of joy, and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our sister, Barbara Helen Battle; and we commit her mortal remains to their resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious unto her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. *Amen.*

Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord: *People* And let light perpetual shine upon her.

May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen*

During this next hymn, the family and clergy return to their places.

HYMN ELLACOMBE



THE BLESSING

The Celebrant says

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



ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552.ii

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The family invites you to tea in the living room of the Parish House following the service.



The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, Celebrant
The Reverend Andrew C. Mead, Preacher
The Reverend Alison Turner, Deacon
The Reverend Matthew Moretz, Subdeacon
Nicolas Haigh, Associate Organist
Maks Adach, Assistant Organist
Aaron Koch, Head Verger
The Gentlemen of the Choir