

St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church
Trinity Sunday (The First Sunday after Pentecost)

June 6, 2020 5:30 pm



Evening Prayer: Rite Two

Opening Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Hymnal #362

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
Lord God Al - might - y!
*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three persons, Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three persons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt.

The officiant begins the service with the following sentence of Scripture

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together

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.

The Priest alone says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People ***O Lord, make haste to help us.***

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia.

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

***O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!***

***Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.***

The Lessons

A Reading from the book of Proverbs *Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31*

¹Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?
²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.
²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth —
²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,
³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm - Psalm 8 Domine, Dominus noster

¹O LORD our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

²Out of the mouths of infants and children *

your majesty is praised above the heavens.

³You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *

to quell the enemy and the avenger.

⁴When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁵What is man that you should be mindful of him? *

the son of man that you should seek him out?

⁶You have made him but little lower than the angels; *

you adorn him with glory and honor;

⁷You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *

you put all things under his feet:

⁸All sheep and oxen, *

even the wild beasts of the field,

⁹The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *

and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

¹⁰O LORD our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.***

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Corinth

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

A Reading from Matthew

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sermon

Hymn

There is a Redeemer

Melody Green-Sievright

Chorus 1

Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done

Verse 1

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

Verse 2

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
O for sinners slain

Verse 3

When I stand in glory I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

The Apostle's Creed

Officiant and people together, all standing

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.***

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

***He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.***

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

The people stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant 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.***

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of [_____ and] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Calthleen, our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love,

Hear our prayers for the church.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,

Hear our prayers for the world.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of justice,

Hear our prayers for the earth.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

God of peace,

Hear our prayers for this community.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

God of mercy,

Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace,

Hear our prayers for those who have died.

Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts.

Concluding Collect

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

I Was Lost in Sin

Eugene Williams

I once was lost in sin
But Jesus took me in
And with a little light from heaven filled my soul
It bathed my heart in love
And wrote my name above
And just a little talk with Jesus makes me whole

Now let us have a little talk with Jesus
Let us tell him all about our troubles
He will hear our faintest cry
He will answer by and by
Now when you feel a little pray'r wheel turning
And you know a little fire is burning
You will find a little talk with Jesus makes it right

Sometimes my path seems drear
Without a ray of cheer
And then a cloud of doubt may hide the light of day
The mist of sin may rise and hide the stormy skies
But just a little talk with Jesus clears the way

I may have doubt and fears
My eyes be filled with tears
But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night
I go to Him in prayer
He knows my every care
And just a little talk with Jesus makes it right

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Then may be said

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesu for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

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