
Welcome GUESTS & VISITORS!

We are glad you are here. If you are new to St. Thomas, stop by the Welcome table in the lobby and identify yourself to our clergy and people so we may properly welcome you. You may also fill out an “I’m New” card located on the backs of the chairs in the church. If you need assistance with the order of service, feel free to ask the person next to you.

Auditory Assistance is available – ask an usher or a greeter to obtain a hearing device.

To request prayers, please fill out the “Pray” card located on the backs of the chairs. We invite you to list your specific concerns and leave them in the offering plate, bring to the church office, or hand to one of the clergy. Prayers of the People are written weekly. They are offered for three weeks, but any request may be resubmitted as needed.

Nursery care is available on Sunday for children ages 6 months thru 4 yrs from 8:15am - 12:15 (or conclusion of the 11am service).

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Silent Procession

Penitential Order

In Lent and on other penitential occasions

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People ***His mercy endures for ever.***

Confession & Absolution

All kneel as able. The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

***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 our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Kyrie

Unison or harmony

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Reading: *Genesis 9:8-17*

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *Psalms 25:1-9*

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;

my God, I put my trust in you; *

let me not be humiliated,

nor let my enemies triumph over me.

²Let none who look to you be put to shame; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

³*Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.*

⁴*Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.*

⁵*Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.*

⁶*Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.*

⁷*Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.*

⁸*He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.*

⁹*All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.*

The Epistle: 1 Peter 3:18-22

¹⁸Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Response ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart

and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you Lord Christ.***

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

All stand.

***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.*

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Presider or Deacon We pray to you, O Lord,

Music Response after each petition:

Refrain *mp*

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

Shep-herd me, be - yond my wants, be -

yond my fears, from death in - to

yond my fears, from death to

To verses 1, 2, 3, 5 To verse 4

life. life.

life. life.

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Music

Surely the Presence of the Lord
Chancel Choir
Steve & Tracie Glasscock, soloists

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

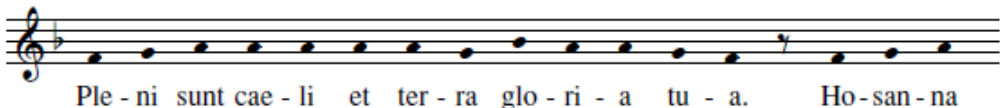
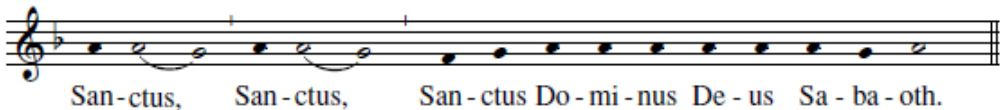
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

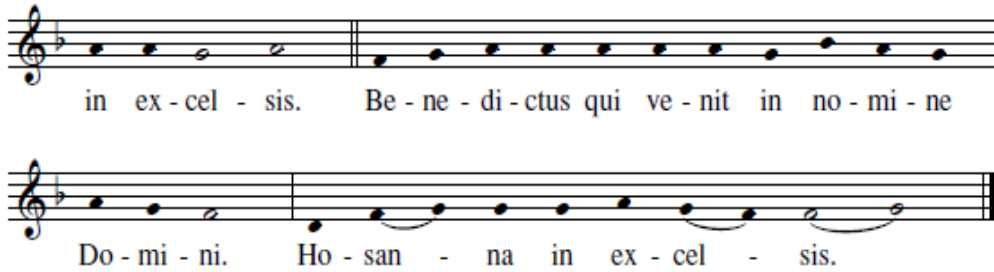
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus





The people stand or kneel as able.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God. . .
. . . Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. . .
. . . 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant

***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

A period of silence is kept.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **grant us peace.**

The Celebrant may say

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music

With Broken Heart

BABYLON'S STREAMS **THOMAS CAMPIAN, 1613**
Moderately slow

1 With bro - ken heart and con - trite sigh, A trem - bling sin - ner,
2 I smite up - on my troub - led breast, With deep and con - scious
3 Far off I stand with tear - ful eyes, Nor dare up - lift them

Lord, I cry: Thy par - d'ning grace is rich and free:
guilt op - prest, Christ and his cross my on - ly plea:
to the skies; But thou dost all my an - guish see:

O God, be mer - ci - ful to me.
 O God, be mer - ci - ful to me.
 O God, be mer - ci - ful to me. A - men.

4 Nor alms, nor deeds that I have done,
 Can for a single sin atone;
 To Calvary alone I flee:
 O God, be merciful to me.

5 And when, redeemed from sin and hell,
 With all the ransomed throng I dwell,
 My raptured song shall ever be,
 God has been merciful to me. Amen.

CORNELIUS ELVEN, 1852

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant and People

***Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us
 with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members
 of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.***

***And now, Father,
 send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.***

Blessing

Closing Hymn

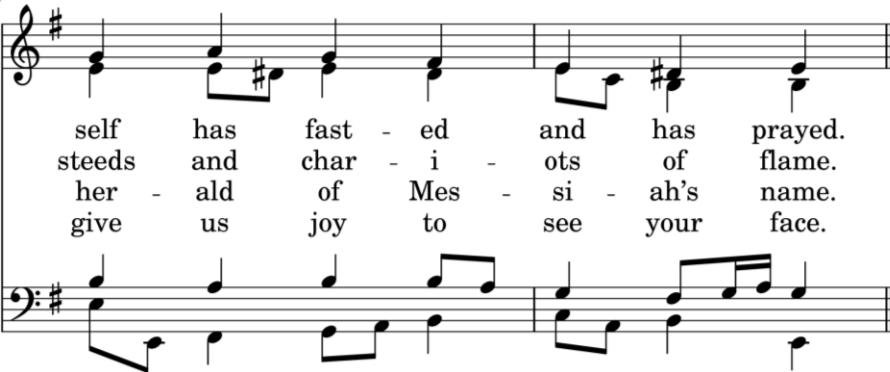
The Glory of These Forty Days

1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -
4 Then grant that we like them be true, con -

3
cel - e - brate with songs of praise; for
lov - ing God who gave the law; and
liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and
sumed in fast and prayer with you; our

5
Christ, by whom all things were made, him -
to E - li - jah, fast - ing, came the
John, the Bride - groom's friend, be - came the
spir - its strength - en with your grace, and

7



self has fast - ed and has prayed.
 steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
 her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
 give us joy to see your face.

Silent Procession

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

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

Postlude

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