# ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite II Sunday, April 21, 2024 8:45am

# 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).

This Sunday throughout the service you will hear selections from "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," a sung-through musical with lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on the character of Joseph from the Bible's Book of Genesis. The St. Thomas Praise Band, Children, and Youth will be singing.

# Liturgy of the Word

## Prelude

Joseph Overture

**Opening Song** 

ng Jacob and Sons Jessica Tallman, Barbara McCall, George Phillips, Kids, Band

> Chorus: Jacob, Jacob and sons Jacob, Jacob and sons Jacob, Jacob and sons Jacob, Jacob, Jacob, Jacob and sons.

#### **Easter Acclamation**

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## **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.* 

#### Gloria

Joseph's Coat All and Congregation and Kids

Chorus:

It was

Red and yellow and green and brown Scarlet and black and ochre and peach Ruby and olive and violet and fawn Lilac and gold and choc'late and mauve Cream and crimson and silver and rose Azure and lemon and russet and gray and purple and while and pink And orange and blue!

# **Collect of the Day**

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

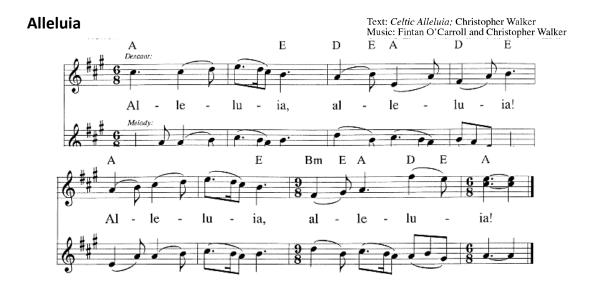
Children pre-school through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will process to Children's Church.

# The Lessons

# The Epistle: 1 John 3:16-24

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.ResponseThanks be to God.



# Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

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

[Jesus said,] <sup>11</sup>"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

ReaderThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

#### Alleluia response

#### **The Sermon**

#### **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.

## **Prayers of the People**

All remain standing.

Presider or deacon ... we pray to Lord. *Response* **Hear our prayer.** 

The presider adds a concluding collect.

The children will return from Children's Church.

## **The Peace**

All stand.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

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

# **Holy Communion**

#### **Offertory Song**

Song of the King (Seven Fat Cows) Tom Palmer, soloist

#### Offertory

CelebrantAll things come of thee, O Lord.PeopleAnd of thine own have we given thee.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

#### Eucharistic Prayer A

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#### OFFERING

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.

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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.

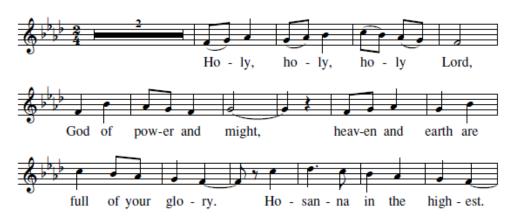
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

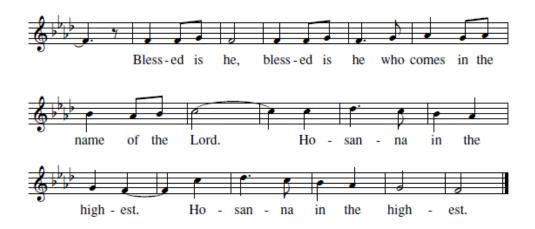
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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:

## Sanctus

Marty Haugen





Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

A period of silence is kept.

## **Fraction Anthem**

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.CelebrantThe 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 INSTRUCTIONS

We invite everyone who has been baptized by water in any Christian tradition to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

If you have a wheat allergy, please tell one of the clergy administering communion and we will see that you receive a rice wafer instead.

#### **Communion Song**

Close Every Door Max Koehn, soloist

## **Sending Forth**

When a Lay Eucharistic Visitor is to take the sacrament to those hospitalized, ill at home or home-bound, the following is said:

#### Celebrant

In the name of this congregation, go forth bearing these holy gifts; that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

#### Congregation

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread; one cup. Amen.

#### **Postcommunion Prayer**

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Easter Blessing**

#### **Closing Song**

Any Dream Will Do Gideon Evans, soloist

Chorus: Any dream will do Any dream will do Any dream will do

#### Dismissal

CelebrantLet us go forth rejoicing in the power of the spirit.<br/>Alleluia, Alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### Postlude

Go Go Go Joseph - Chorus

#### ALL:

Go, go, go Joseph you know what they say Hang on now Joseph you'll make it someday Don't give up Joseph fight till you drop We've read the book and you come out on top

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ALL (Chorus 2):

Go, go, go Joseph you know what they say Hang on now Joseph you'll make it someday Sha la la Joseph you're doing fine You and your dreamcoat ahead of your time

ALL (Chorus 3):

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