

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

NANCY BURRIDGE HOFFMANN

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2021 AT 10 AM





GOD'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.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude & Fugue in Eb BWV 552

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Pange lingua (Op. 45/iii)

Marcel Dupré
(1886-1971)**MASS SETTING**

Mass for Four Voices

William Byrd
(1543-1623)*The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers***THE BURIAL SENTENCES***Sung by the Choir**William Croft*
(1678-1727)

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.

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.

K YRIE Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>
Kyrie Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>
Kyrie Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>
Christe Eleison	<i>Christ, have mercy upon us.</i>
Christe Eleison	<i>Christ, have mercy upon us.</i>
Christe Eleison	<i>Christ, have mercy upon us.</i>
Kyrie Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

ALmighty God, we remember this day before thee thy faithful servant Nancy; 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

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

A Reading from the Book Ecclesiastes

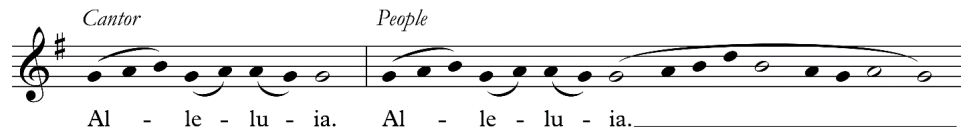
TO every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
A time to get, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
A time to rend, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
A time to love, and a time to hate;
a time of war, and a time of peace.

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

Dominus regit me.

THE Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
 He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
 He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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

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**

John 14:1-6

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

JESUS saith to his disciples, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

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

*The People Sit.***THE SERMON**

The Rector

Descant



4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and

1 Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or
 2 Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly race and
 3 Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven - ly King, and
 4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and

with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy

through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com - mand, as - sist our
 now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sa - vior's face, God's prais - es
 on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an - them sing; take what he
 with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy

days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.
 sound, as in his sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.
 gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ev - er lives!
 days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691); rev. John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862) Music: *Darwall's 148th*, melody and bass John Darwall (1731-1789);
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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon says

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

The People kneel.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace. *Amen.*

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. *Amen.*

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that thy Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. *Amen.*

Grant to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind. *Amen.*

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in thy fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love. *Amen.*

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. *Amen.*

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. *Amen.*

Grant us grace to entrust Nancy to thy never-failing love; receive her into the arms of thy mercy, and remember her according to the favor which thou bearest unto thy people. *Amen.*

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, she may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom. *Amen.*

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

GRANT 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

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

The People sit.

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."

Likewise, 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, 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

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.

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

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(for those unable to receive Holy 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.

AT HOLY COMMUNION

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 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

ALMIGHTY 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.

The People stand.

THE COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

Standing near the ashes, the Celebrant says

DEARLY Beloved, before we part let us bid farewell to our sister Nancy, 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.

The Celebrant says

INTO thy hands, O merciful Savior, we commend thy servant Nancy. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech thee, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of thy mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

ANTHEM

Never Weather Beaten Sail

*Sir Charles Hubert Parry
(1848-1918)*

NEVER weather beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more.
Than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest!
Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise,
cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes:
Glory there the sun outshines;
whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to Thee!

Words: Thomas Campion

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.

Then the Celebrant says

IN sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we
commend to Almighty God our sister, Nancy Burrige Hoffmann; 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 him 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*

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.*

*All in attendance are invited to a post-service reception at the
Colony Club, 564 Park Avenue (62nd Street) immediately following the service.*

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 *3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People Thanks be to God.



The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Alison Turner, *Deacon*
The Reverend Sister Marie Promise Atelon SSM, *Subdeacon*
Dr. Jeremy Filsell, *Organist & Director of Music*
Aaron Koch, *Head Verger*
Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, *Soprano*
Elena Williamson, *Soprano*
Eric Brenner, *Countertenor*
Padraic Costello, *Countertenor*
John Ramseyer, *Tenor*
Emerson Sieverts, *Tenor*
Richard Lippold, *Bass*
Charles Perry Sprawls, *Bass*