

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.
THE FEAST OF SAINT MATTHIAS

SOLEMN EUCHARIST

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

ORDER OF SERVICE

SETTING

Missa Brevis

Sir William Walton
(1902-1983)

PRELUDE

Elegy from *Three Pieces from 'Richard III'*

Sir William Walton

The People stand at the entry of the Choir. As the ministers go to the Altar, this chant is sung by the Choir

INTROIT

Plainsong (*Mode I*)

GAUDEAMUS omnes in Domino, diem festum celebrantes sub honore Sanctorum omnium:
de quorum solemnitate gaudent angeli, et collaudant Filium Dei.

Exsultate iusti in Domino: rectos decet collaudatio.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:
sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Gaudeamus omnes in Domino . . .

*Rejoice we all, and praise the Lord, celebrating a holy day in honour of all saints:
in whose solemnity the angels are joyful, and glorify the Son of God.*

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

Rejoice we all, and praise the Lord, . . .

Psalm 33:1

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant 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.*

The People stand.

GLORY be to God on high,
 and in earth peace,
 good will towards men.
 We praise thee, we bless thee,
 we worship thee, we glorify thee.
 We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
 O Lord God, heavenly King,
 God the Father almighty.
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
 have mercy upon us.
 For thou only art holy;
 thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ.
 With the Holy Ghost, art most high
 in the glory of God the Father.
 Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve: Grant that thy Church, being delivered from false apostles, may always be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE EPISTLE

Acts 1:15-26

The Subdeacon concludes

People The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

DOMINE, QUIS HABITABIT?

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle: or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?
 Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life: and doeth the thing which is right,
 and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour:
 and hath not slandered his neighbour.

He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes: and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not: though it were to his own hindrance.

He that hath not given his money upon usury: nor taken reward against the innocent.

Whoso doeth these things: shall never fall.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (*Mode VI*)

The People stand. This acclamation heralds the Gospel reading.



Cantor Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, saith the Lord, and ordained you,
 that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain.

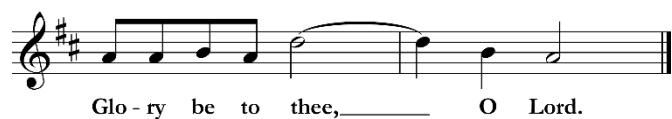


THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1, 6-16

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

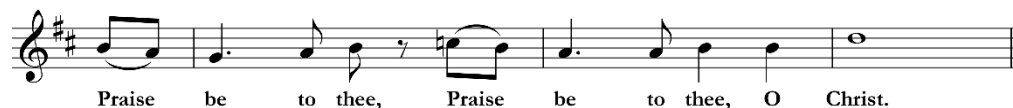
People



After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



HOMILY

The Rev. Mark Schultz
Associate for Pastoral Care

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

LORD Jesus Christ, who saidst unto thine apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church, and grant us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit thou livest and reignest, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

GREETINGS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Prayer of the Venerable Bede

Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

CHRISTUS est Stella Matutina,
qui nocte saecum transacta
lucem vitae, luce, sanctis promittit,
et pandit aeternum.

*Christ is the Morning Star,
who when the night of this world is past,
he gives to his saints the promise of the light of life,
and opens everlasting day.*

The Venerable Bede (673-735)

1 Lo! what a cloud of wit - ness - es en -
 2 Let us, with zeal like theirs in - spired, strive
 3 Be - hold a Wit - ness no - bler still, who
 4 He, for the joy be - fore him set, and
 5 Thith - er, for - get - ting things be - hind, press

1 com - pass us a - round! They, once like us with
 2 in the Chris - tian race; and, freed from ev - ery
 3 trod af - flic - tion's path: Je - sus, the au - thor,
 4 moved by pit - ying love, en - dured the cross, de -
 5 we to God's right hand; there, with the Sa - vior

1 suf - fering tried, are now with glo - ry crowned.
 2 weight of sin, their ho - ly foot - steps trace.
 3 fi - nish - er, re - ward - er of our faith.
 4 spised the shame, and now he reigns a - bove.
 5 and his saints, tri - um - phant - ly to stand.

Words: *Translations and Paraphrases*, 1745, alt.; para. of Hebrews 12:1-3 Music: *St. Fulbert*, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues

IT 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 the great shepherd of thy flock, Jesus Christ our Lord;
 who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel
 and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always,
 even unto the end of the ages.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven,
 we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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,

People and Celebrant

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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.

The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

IBELIEVE 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 THE COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

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

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these
holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our
Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are
very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful
people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee,
O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and
do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to
whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

MAY God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Scherzetto from *Three Pieces from 'Richard III'*

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