

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the
CITY OF NEW YORK
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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

Welcome to Saint Thomas Church, a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.
Our mission is to worship, love, and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ
through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.

SUNG EUCHARIST

Music Sung by the Noble Singers

Optional Liturgical Guide:

┼ = Make the sign of the Cross from head to heart, then shoulder to shoulder

✠ at Gospel Acclamation =
Make small Crosses on forehead, lips, and heart

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Saint Luke the Evangelist

Today we celebrate **the Feast of Saint Luke**, traditionally remembered as the author of the Gospel according to Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. He was a close friend to the Apostle Paul, who considered him "the beloved physician" (Colossians 4:4).

Accordingly, his Gospel account often depicts Jesus drawing near to the poor, the sick, the stranger, the sinner, women and those who were often overlooked.

Luke's writing often highlights the power of the Holy Spirit, as it shows up from before Jesus' birth, throughout his life and ministry, and most prominently in the Acts of the Apostles. Here the Gospel moves from Jerusalem outward, crossing boundaries of language, culture, and nation and empowering Christ's disciples to follow God in the world together.

You may notice **the liturgical color** for Saint Luke is **red**. Red is often used for apostles, evangelists, and martyrs, reminding us of the Church's witness to the Gospel.
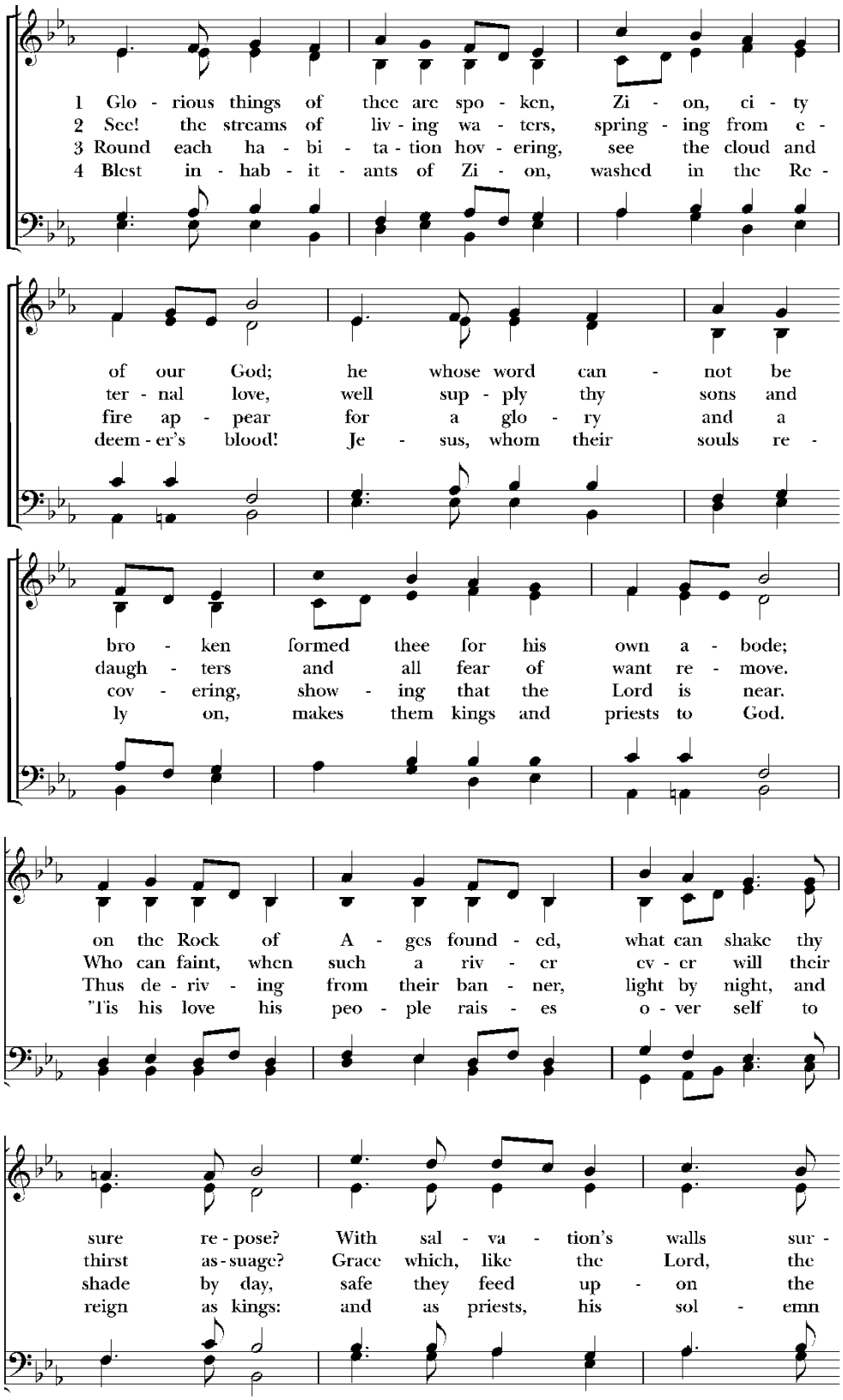
We are grateful to celebrate this feast together.

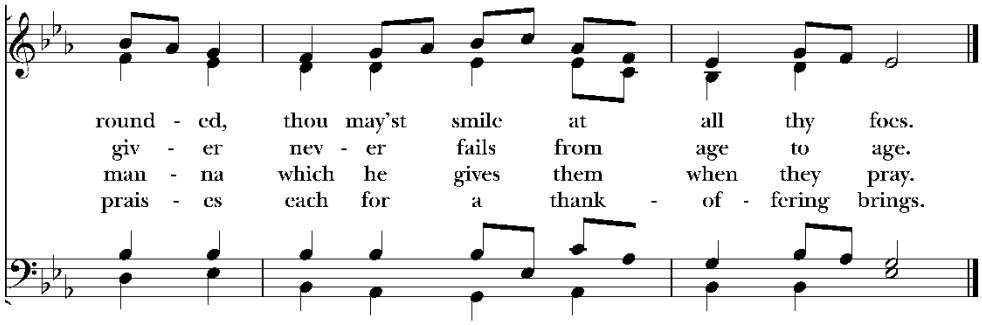
The Ordinary of the Mass *Robert Powell* (b. 1932)

Prelude

The People stand for the entry of the Ministers.

Hymn (verses 1-3) AUSTRIA

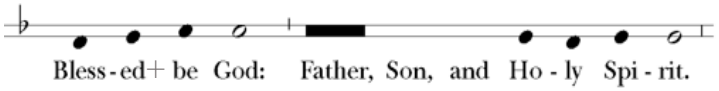




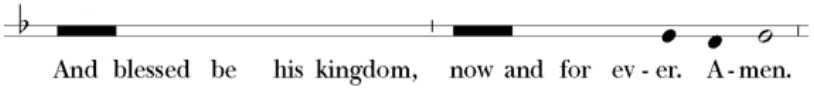
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The Penitential Order

Celebrant



People



Welcome

The Celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the celebration before silent personal confession.

Confession

Following personal confession, the Celebrant says

Now, together, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing.

Celebrant and People
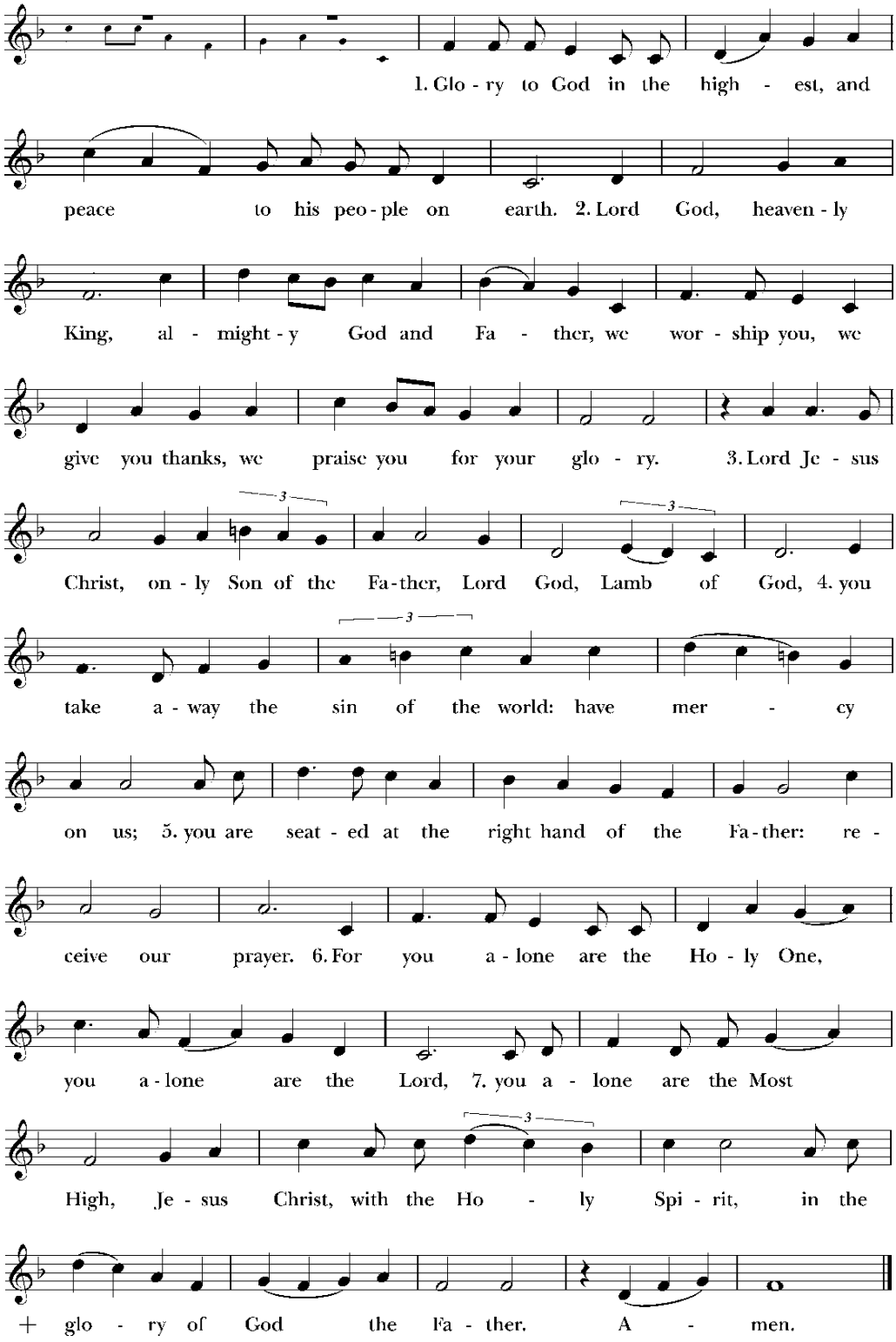
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son 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.

The Celebrant 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Sung by all.



The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson Sirach 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14

A reading from the book of Sirach.

Honor physicians for their services, for the Lord created them; for their gift of healing comes from the Most High, and they are rewarded by the king. The skill of physicians makes them distinguished, and in the presence of the great they are admired. The Lord created medicines out of the earth, and the sensible will not despise them.

And he gave skill to human beings that he might be glorified in his marvelous works. By them the physician heals and takes away pain; the pharmacist makes a mixture from them. God's works will never be finished; and from him health spreads over all the earth. My child, when you are ill, do not delay, but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you. Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin.

Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him; do not let him leave you, for you need him. There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians, for they too pray to the Lord that he will grant them success in diagnosis and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

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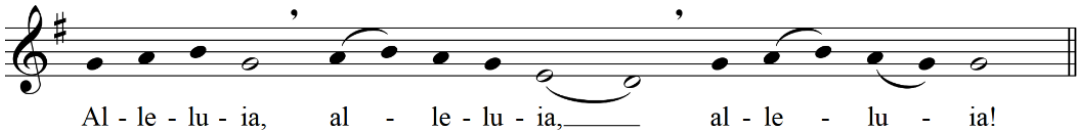
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 147:1-7 *Sung by the Choir.* Anglican Chant

Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.
Great is our Lord and mighty in power; there is no limit to his wisdom.
The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the harp.
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation *Plainsong (Mode VI)*

The People stand. The Choir sings the refrain and all repeat.



Choir Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.
You have the words of everlasting life.

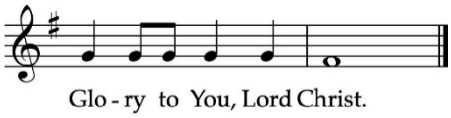
All repeat the refrain.

The Holy Gospel Luke 4:14-21

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People
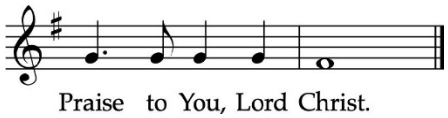


Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

At the end The Gospel of the Lord.

People



The Homily The Rector

The Nicene Creed

The People stand. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

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.

The Prayers of the People Form III

The Prayers are done responsively, the People praying the parts in bold aloud.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

After the prayers, silence is kept, then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Greetings

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Anthem *Sung by the Choir.* Richard Dering

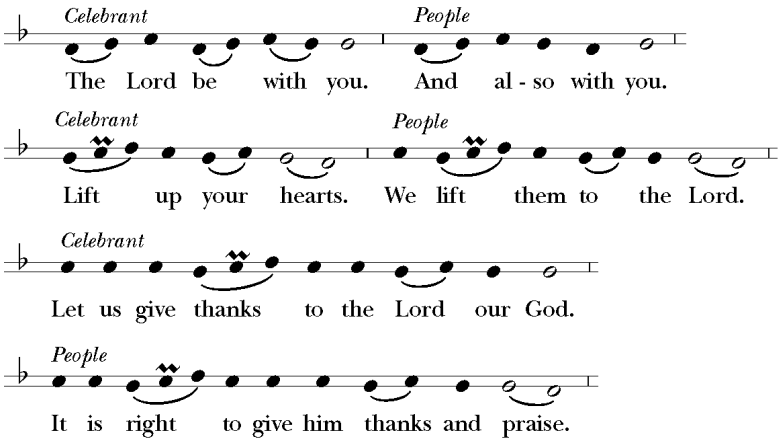
Gaudent in coelis animae sanctorum,
qui Christi vestigia sunt secuti,
et quia pro ejus amore,
sanguinen suum fuderunt
ideo cum Christo exultant sine fine.

The souls of the saints rejoice in heaven,
who have followed in the footsteps of Christ,
and because they shed their blood for love of Him,
therefore they rejoice with Christ without end.

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The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A*

The People stand.



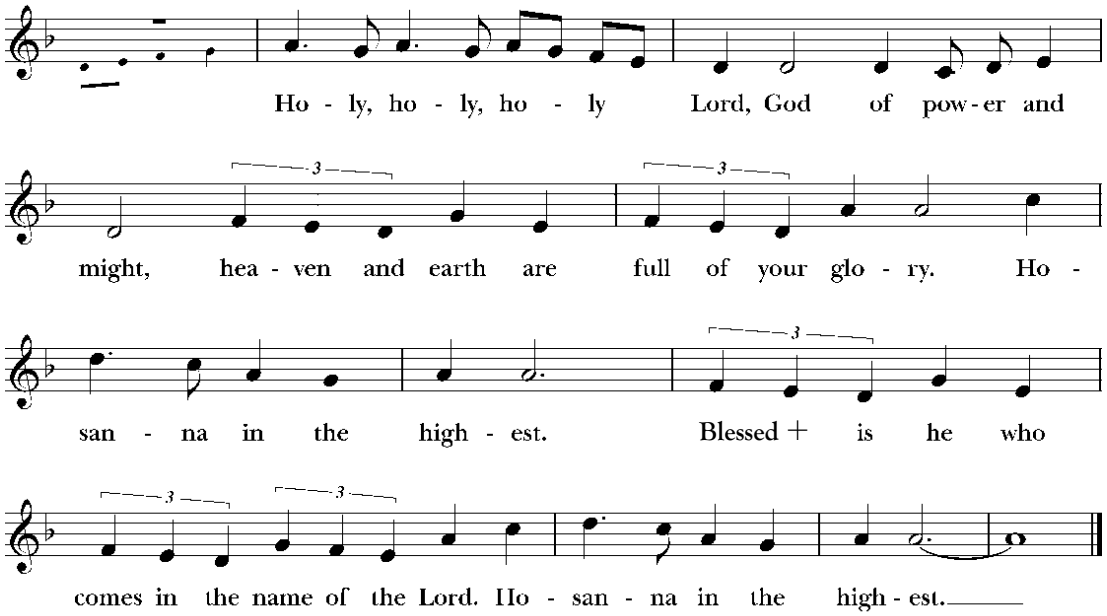
The Celebrant says

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

Through the great shepherd of your 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 to the end of the ages.

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 & Benedictus *Sung by all.*



The People remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

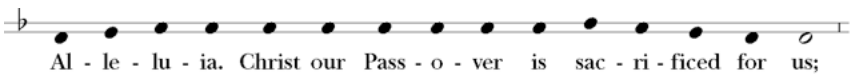
Padre nuestro, que estás en el cieux
하늘에 계신 우리 아버지
Notre Père qui es aux cieux
اے ہمارے باپ جو آسمان پر ہے،
Pai nosso, que estais nos Céus,
Отче наш, що єси на небесах
أَبَانَا الذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ،
Vater unser, der du bist im Himmel
我們在天上的父
Pater noster, qui es in caelis
हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता,
Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli
天におられる私たちの父よ
אָבִינוּ שֶׁבַּשָּׁמַיִם יִתְקַדַּשׁ שִׁמְךָ׃


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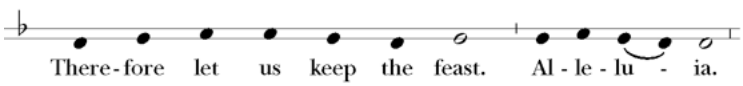

Father

The Breaking of the Bread

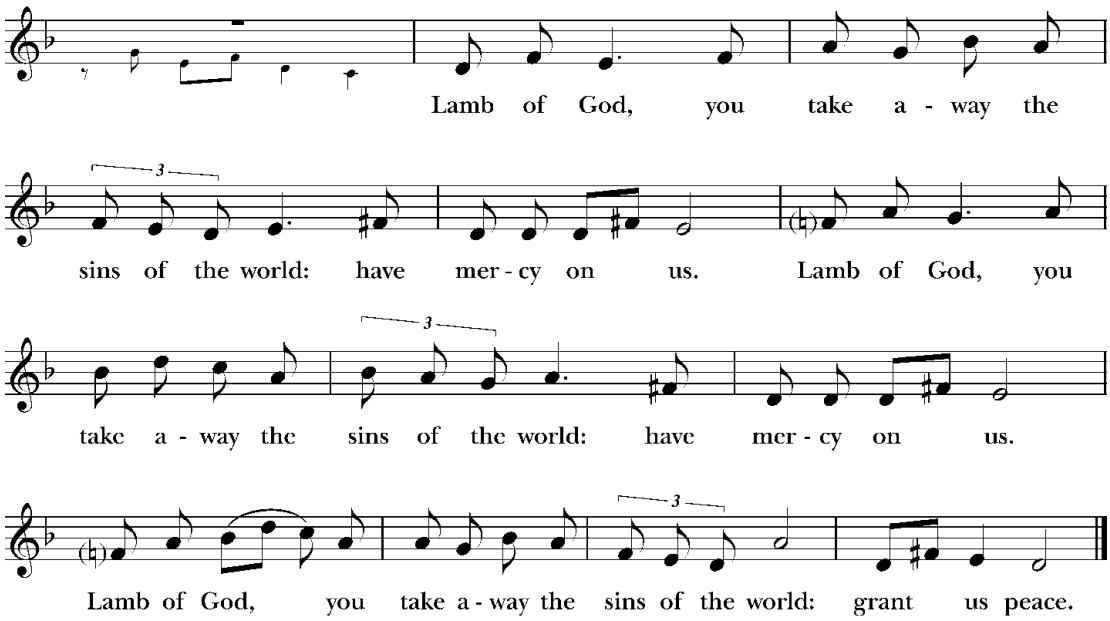
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



People



Agnus Dei *Sung by all.*



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The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold + the Lamb of God.
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed at the crossing. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is not permitted.
You are welcome to receive in one kind only. Gluten free hosts are available - please ask the priest.

Communion Anthem *Sung by the Choir.* Martin How

Day by day dear Lord of thee three things I pray:
to see the more clearly, love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly day by day.

After Communion, silence is kept. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

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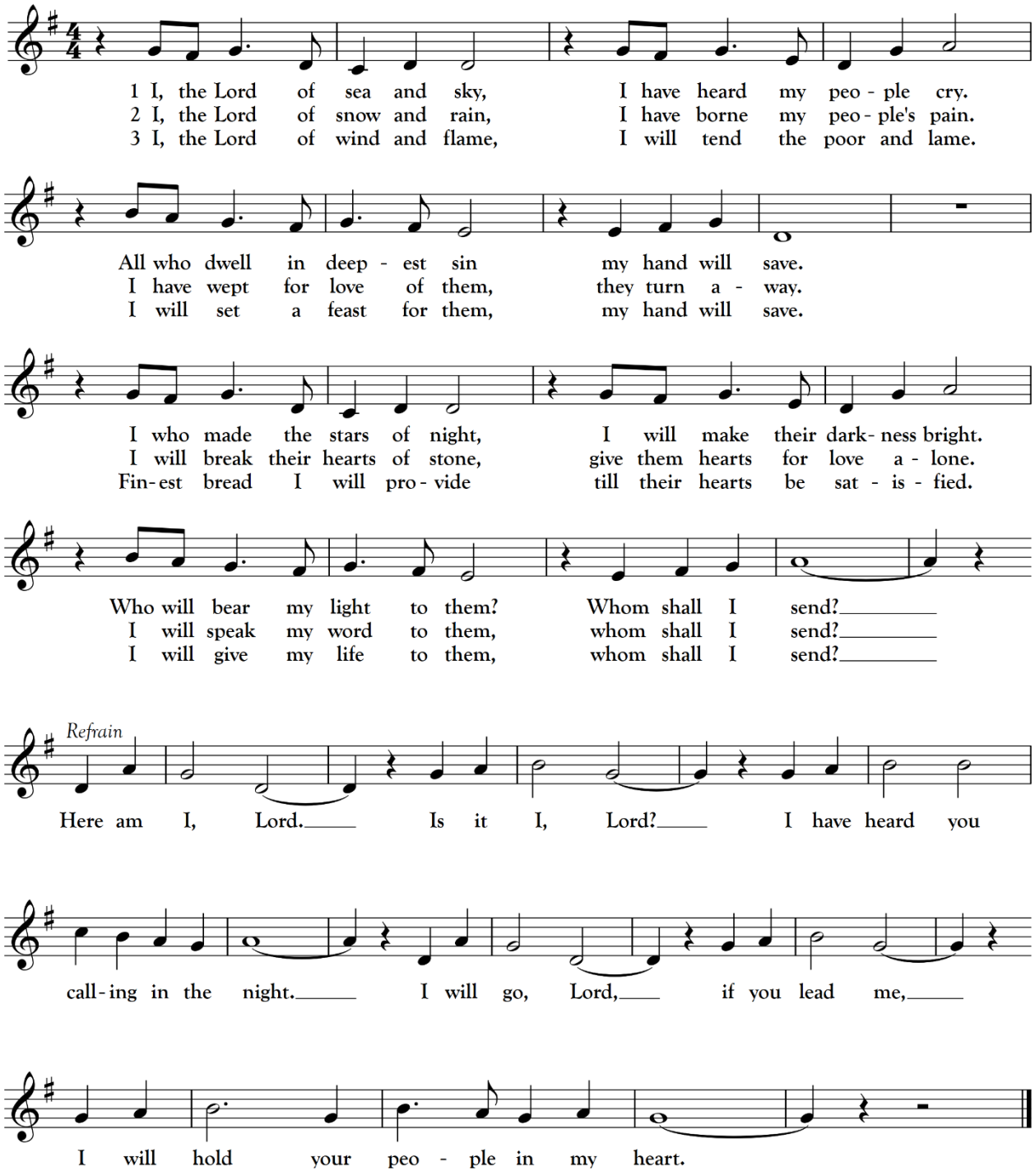
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness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

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn *Sung by all.* HERE AM I, LORD



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The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Coffee Hour in the Living Room (2nd Floor) after the service with **Adult Education** on the 5th Floor from 10 – 10:45am.

10am Children's Formation

2 – 4's	Ages 2–4 w/ Parent	Dining Room, 2nd Floor
Early Childhood	Pre-K – 2nd Grade	Nursery Room, 3rd Floor
Intermediate	Grades 3 - 6	Sunday School Room, 3rd Floor
Faith Alive	Grades 7 – High School	Andrew Hall, 3rd Floor

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Saint Thomas gives thanks for those who have given endowed funds to provide flowers to beautify the church in perpetuity. This week, we give thanks for the memory of *William Harris and Robert Erskine Douglas, Fredrick and Doris Blymer, Francis Laurens Vinton Hoppin, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Beth Pearce Nelson,* and pray for the repose of their souls.

May the glory of the LORD endure for ever, may the LORD rejoice in his works. (Psalm 104:31)

Today's flowers are donated by Mariko Oishi and James Bickford in thanksgiving for the celebration and the blessing of their marriage.

Worship & Recitals this Week

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by the Rector

5:15 p.m. Sunday Recital Series
Giovanni Solinas, *Organ*
Viersen-Düllkin, Germany

The Daily Mass
Monday, October 19th – Friday, October 23rd

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers*
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday 20th
Cornelius the Centurion
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Moore and Howells

Wednesday 21st
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Moore and Stanford

Thursday 22nd
5:30 p.m. Festal Evensong*
sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
music by Moore, Brewer, and Macmillan

Friday 23rd
Saint James of Jerusalem
3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer

Confessions, Spiritual Advice, and the Ministry of Healing

Saturday, October 24th
11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Fr. Schultz

11:30 a.m. Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Next Sunday:
October 25th
Feast of Dedication

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass
sung by the Noble Singers
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir
Sermon by The Rector
followed by Coffee hour in the Lady Chapel

4 p.m. Festal Evensong*
sung by the Saint Thomas Consort
Sermon by the Very Rev'd David Monteith,
Dean of Canterbury

PARISH NOTICES

For three years, the Annual Appeal is taking up, word by word, our mission to worship, love, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. The 2027 Appeal is the year of *Love*. We see it in the beauty of our worship, the formation of our choristers, the welcome at coffee hour, and the compassion we offer our community through Neighbor to Neighbor. Your pledge keeps our doors open 365 days a year and puts that care into action every day. We hope you will consider making a pledge by scanning the QR code.

Children and Family Ministries: This Sunday there is Children's Formation for kids between the ages of 2 – High School. The Children's area (near the icon of Saint Thomas) is available for families during all services, with quiet activities for young children. This Sunday, the Nursery is available on the 3rd Floor from 11-1pm and is for the sole use of babies and toddlers with their parents/caregivers. To receive more information, contact childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

The Noble Singers sing every Sunday during the 9am mass. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 4:15-5:15pm. New singers are always welcome. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For more information, and to register your singer, contact JLane@saintthomaschurch.org.

You are cordially invited to the Holy Eucharist in the Korean language every Second Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm. The service is preceded by brunch at 12:45 pm in the Dining Room of the Parish House. You can receive the Monday Morning Devotion by email by registering with the email address.

매달 둘째 주일 오후 1:30 에 본당에서 올리는 한국어 감사 성찬례에 여러분을 초대합니다. 오후 12:45 에 2 층 식당에서 브런치를 함께 나누니 조금 일찍 오셔서 친교도 나누세요. 아래 주소로 등록하시면 월요일 아침묵상글을 이메일로 받아볼 수 있습니다.

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Saint Thomas Choir School is home to the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. The Choir School (grades 4–8) partners with Professional Children's School for the boys' academic education, while they continue to live and train at STCS in a close-knit, music-centered environment. They sing five weekly services at Saint Thomas Church and perform in the Concerts at Saint Thomas series. If you know a boy who loves to sing and may thrive in this unique setting, please contact Margaret White at mwhite@choirschool.org.

Contemplative Prayer takes place on Fridays at 3pm at the Lady Chapel. You are welcome to join this sacred time of silent prayer and quiet praise in the presence of God. The service includes Taizé Songs, Centering Prayer, and Lectio-Divina, and is led by Mo. Prisca Lee-Pae. For more information, please contact Mo. Lee-Pae at pleepae@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Every Saturday morning between 8:30-10:30am, a group of volunteers meet in the Cloisters of the Church to provide coffee, tea, pastries, fresh fruit, oatmeal, toiletries, and community to our neighbors in need. Help make these important ministries possible by joining Neighbor to Neighbor: communityoutreachstc@gmail.com

The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and

spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5th Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: lgioia@saintthomaschurch.org.

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