



ST. THOMAS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2022, 8:00 and 10:30 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE TWO

If you must talk, whisper a prayer to God. Please turn off all cell phones.

PRELUDE

(8:00) Olivet

L. Mason/Gordon Young

(10:30) Here I am to Worship

Alleluia III 60

HYMN IN PROCESSION

(8:00) My faith looks up to thee

Hymn 691

(10:30) Gather Round Ye People

Alleluia III 40

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom now and forever.**

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.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

(8:00) Trisagion (sung 3 times)

Hymn S-102

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

(10:30) Dona Nobis Pacem

Alleluia III 32

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; 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 FIRST READING Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,

judge between me
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;

I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; *
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

THE SECOND READING Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

(10:30) Spirit Come

Alleluia III 149

THE GOSPEL Luke 12:49-56

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Virginia Monroe

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

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

BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively.

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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Glenda, our Bishop, and Brian, our Assisting Bishop;
Virginia, Ranie and Jeannie, our clergy; and 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; especially Ulla Allison, Cindy &
Tom Atkins, Nancy Dudley Clayton, Darlene Davis, Mary Gant, Garry Griffith, Kathy Heim, Larry
Hill, Ann Knowles, Pamela Lloyd, Larry Meyer, Linda Mixon, Tony Palumbo, Diane Parker,
Barbara Rackley, Rosemary Roberts, Dan Seaman, Jean & Jack Simon, Brenda & Horton Smith, Dick
Strobel, Elizabeth Tagg, Burt & Jane Williams, Warren Wright, and Norma Zeigler.
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.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Jennifer Cote, Michael Bestor, Mary
Bestor, Vincent Moore, Genie McCoy, Robin Kastanakis, Katherine Dietz,
Hayley Morris, Frances Smith, Jace Reynolds, Alexandra Taylor, Tommy Blackburn, Dave Drachlis,
and Samuel Johnson

We ask your prayers for our Colonia Episcopal Students Ligia, Kensy, Wilson, Maycol, Eric M., Seylin, Jennifer, Jeimy, Josselin, Marcos, Jefferson, Jeison, Erick S., Anthony, Kimberlyn, Saira, Alex, Escarleth, Erlin, and Anderson.

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

The People may add their own petitions.

O God of justice and compassion, who puts down the proud and mighty from their place, and lifts up the poor and the afflicted: We give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for another; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppression; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who will choose a rector for Saint Thomas, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sins

BCP 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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 Priest stands and 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.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All who seek Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table. The wine is by intinction only. You may choose to receive only the bread. Please be assured that receiving the bread is full communion.

OFFERTORY

(10:30) Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

Alleluia III 68

DOXOLOGY

(8:00) Verse 3

Hymn 380

(10:30) Give Thanks

Alleluia III 44

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

The people remain standing.

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.**

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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

(8:00)

Hymn 125

(10:30) Give Thanks

Alleluia III 230

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

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

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**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

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

(8:00)

(10:30) Jesus Lamb of God

Hymn S-153
Marty Haugen

Jesus, Lamb of God; You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Bread of Life; You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Prince of Peace; You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God; You take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN (10:30 only)

Jesus, Remember Me

I Am the Bread of Life

Alleluia III 208

Alleluia III 69

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

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

HYMN IN PROCESSION

(8:00) Fight the Good Fight

(10:30) Sing Alleluia to the Lord

Hymn 552
Alleluia III 145

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Foundation

B.W. Sanders

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THE WORSHIP TEAMS

Celebrant The Rev. Ranie Neislar, Associate Priest
Preacher The Rev. Dr. Virginia Monroe, Interim Rector
Deacon The Rev. Jeannie Randall
Organist Melanie Payne
Music Joyful Noise

8:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers Renee' Redfield
Lector Al Johnson
Ushers Elouisa & Al Stokes
Greeters Elisa & Mark Stucker

10:30 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers Maggie Powell
Acolytes Rowan Duling, Brady Jones, Bea Duling, Laurel Duling
Lectors Linda Hanson, Liam Ayers
Ushers Larry Hill, Brett Tomlin
Greeters Donna Palumbo, Zach House

Vestry on Duty Donna Palumbo, John Hanson
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The Week at-a-Glance

Sunday, August 14

8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Nave Nursery Available

8:45 AM

Breakfast – Local & National Outreach

10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist, Nave Nursery Available

5:00 PM

Holy Eucharist, Nave – followed by Supper

Monday, August 15

6:00 PM

Vestry Mtg, Conference Room

Wednesday, August 17

9:30 AM

Bible Study, Conference Room 1

11:00 AM

Bible Study, Conference Room 1

4:00 PM

Grief Group

Thursday, August 18

1:00 PM

Silver Saints Movie, Parish Hall

Saturday, August 13

8:00 AM

Bailey Cove Framers' Market

4:30 PM

ReGeneration Pool Party

The dates for the **Grief Group will be Wednesday, August 17th**, and each Wednesday through September 21. The group will meet at 2:00, the location will be determined at the first meeting. Please in the Narthex and we will decide where to meet. The Reverend Carl Malm, M.Div., will lead the group. He has been a Grief Counselor at The Center for Loss, Grief, and Change since 1999.

The St. Thomas Backpack Meals program is looking for additional drivers with trucks or vans to deliver meals to Jones Valley and Chapmen Elementary Schools. Deliveries will be one day a month. Must be able to lift 25 lbs. If interested please contact Travis Lee at 850-503-5587 or email tle777790@gmail.com.

SILVER SAINTS MOVIE MATINEE We think you will enjoy our movie for this month's **Silver Saints Matinee Movie**. We will meet in the **St. Thomas Parish Hall at 1:00 PM on Thursday, August 18**. The movie for this month is **A Dog's Purpose** (NOTE: *The dog is alive at the end*) with Dennis Quaid. It is an adorable and heart-warming story of a dog and his people with a message of love.

IWC Sunday: August 21st Join us for a special Invite, Welcome, Connect (IWC) Sunday on August 21, from 9:15-10:15A.M. We will be having small group discussion about your unique "Welcome" experiences. We look forward to having you with us!

5:00 PM Summer Service in the Nave Join us for the all-ages-welcome come-as-you-are service. This informal service will continue through November. Join us afterwards for a quick supper.

Wednesday evening service will cease until September. We are taking a break. This includes Joyful Noise and Taizé services.

Parish Photos Update In anticipation of the arrival of our new Rector, we need to ALL participate in updating the Parish Photo Directory. Out-of-date photos are available for pick-up on the bulletin board in Information Hall. New photos will be made after both morning worship services on August 14 and 21. Call Susan Smith to arrange an alternate time. susan@susanjsmith.com or 256-503-0695

Adult Choir is open to everyone from High School Students to Silver Saints. We'll kick off our season with an in-house choir retreat August 26 & 27. Our regular Wednesday rehearsals begin on September 7 at 7:00 in the choir room. Contact Miss Kathy at 614-329-5991 or music@stthomashuntsville.org if you are interested in joining us or would like more information.

EPISTLE & Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at noon.