

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost July 28, 2024
9:30 AM Morning Prayer - Rite II
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Morning Prayer - Rite II

All music for today's service can be found in the Red Hymnal in the rack in front of you.

PRELUDE Prelude on "Land of Rest"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise if you are able.

OPENING HYMN: "I Come with Joy" Hymn 304 *Land of Rest*
(Verses One through Three)

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant:

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. *John 4:23*

CONFESSION

The Officiant says to the people:

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Officiant and People together

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 us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

Officiant: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People:

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.

Please be seated.

Venite (Read responsively) *Psalm 95: 1-7* *Lay Reader*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,
and raise a loud shout to Him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are His also.

The sea is His, for He made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

Oh, that today you would hearken to His voice!

All: 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.

PSALM 145:10-18 (read in unison) *Exaltabo te, Deus* *Lay Reader*

All your works praise you, O LORD, and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power;

That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

The LORD is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all those who fall; he lifts up those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.

You open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.

The LORD is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.

All: Glory be 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.

THE LESSONS

Please remain seated for the Epistle reading.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:14-21

Lay Reader

A Lesson from Paul's letter to the Ephesians:

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Please stand, if able, for the recitation of the First Song of Isaiah.

The First Song of Isaiah (*read in unison*)

Isaiah 12: 2-6 1:68-79

Lay Reader and People together:

Surely, it is God who saves me;

I will trust in Him and not be afraid.

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and He will be my Savior.**

**Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing, from the springs of salvation,
And on that day, you shall say, "Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His Name;
Make His deeds known among the peoples;**

see that they remember that His Name is exalted.

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for He has done great things,
and this is known in all the world.**

**Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy;
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel,**

All:

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.

Please stand, if able.

GRADUAL HYMN: “Before Thy Throne” Hymn 574 *St. Petersburg*
(Verses One and Two before the Gospel, Verse Four after)

THE GOSPEL *John 6:1-21*

Officiant: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

GRADUAL HYMN: “Before Thy Throne” Hymn 574 *St. Petersburg*
(Verse Four after the Gospel)

Please be seated.

SERMON

Deacon Barbara Telfer

Please remain seated for the Te Deum.

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

You Are God

Music Minister

Reader and People together:

You are God: we praise You; You are the Lord; we acclaim You;
You are the eternal Father: All creation worships You.
To You all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim,
sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
The glorious company of apostles praise You.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise You.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise You.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims You;
Father, of majesty unbounded
Your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit,
advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free, you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death, and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

Please stand, if you are able, for the Apostle's Creed and Prayers.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Officiant and People:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE PRAYERS

The People stand or kneel:

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Officiant: Save Your people, Lord and bless your inheritance;

Response: Govern and uphold them, now and always

Officiant: Day by day we bless you;

Response: We praise Your name forever.

Officiant: Lord, keep us from all sin today.

Response: Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Officiant: Lord, show us Your love and mercy.

Response: For we put our trust in you.

Officiant: In you, Lord, is our hope.

Response: And we shall never hope in vain.

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

Officiant:

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of
Your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of You, that the
week to come may be spent in Your favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

Officiant:

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life, and to serve
You is perfect freedom: Defend us, Your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies;

that we, surely trusting in Your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MISSION PRAYER

Officiant:

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

Please be seated for the instrumental Offertory

OFFERTORY “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” *(based upon Hymn 469)*

Please stand, if you are able, for the General Thanksgiving.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants,
give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us,
and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love,
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages.
Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant:

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O

Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN: "O Love, How Deep" Hymn 448 *Deus tuorum militum*
(Verses One through Three)

CLOSING PRAYER

Officiant:

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine:
Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.
Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21

POSTLUDE: Postlude on *Deus tuorum militum*

SERVING THIS MORNING :

Officiant: Deacon Barbara Telfer

Music: Kira Seaton and Sue Griffith *Flowers and Altar:* Julie Kalbrunner

Lay Worship Readers: Sue Griffith and Kira Seaton

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

SUNDAY 7/28	Sunday Worship in the Chapel - 9:30am Fireside Chat in Harkess Hall immediately after service. Short Choir rehearsal following the Fireside Chat
MONDAY 7/29	Alcoholics Anonymous -Harkess Hall, (7-9pm)
THURSDAY 8/1	AA/Bluebook - Harkess Hall, (7-9pm)
SUNDAY 8/4	Sunday Worship in the Chapel - 9:30am Choir practice after worship

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS