

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 14, 2024

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SEEKERS, SEARCHERS, AND DOUBTERS WELCOME

The Rev. Tami L. Burks

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Thank you for choosing to worship with us today

At St. Thomas we celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday at 10:00 AM with music. This service bulletin is printed according to the Book of Common Prayer.

We joyfully welcome Children to worship with us! They can color, wander, make some noise, and pray in whatever fashion they see fit. There is a special “pray-ground” nook in the middle of the church. Families are welcome to sit there or borrow one of the books or other materials.

Sunday School from preschool to 8th grade is held most Sundays, September through May. An usher can show you where the classrooms are.

The bathrooms are located downstairs—walk down the right aisle towards the front to the door with the exit sign. From there take the steps down to the basement. At the bottom of the stairs, turn right.

We hope you feel welcome, will choose to visit us again, and consider becoming part of our faith community. If you are interested in learning more, you can fill out a connection card or take a welcome package home.

Blessings from God, love, peace, and hope.

From the Clergy, Vestry, Staff and People of St. Thomas

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Sue Perciasepe, and Mike Spoonauer, *Vestry Members*

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

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Ira Hart

Ushers

Steve and Karen Bonaparte

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Greg Cherry
Christine Perciasepe

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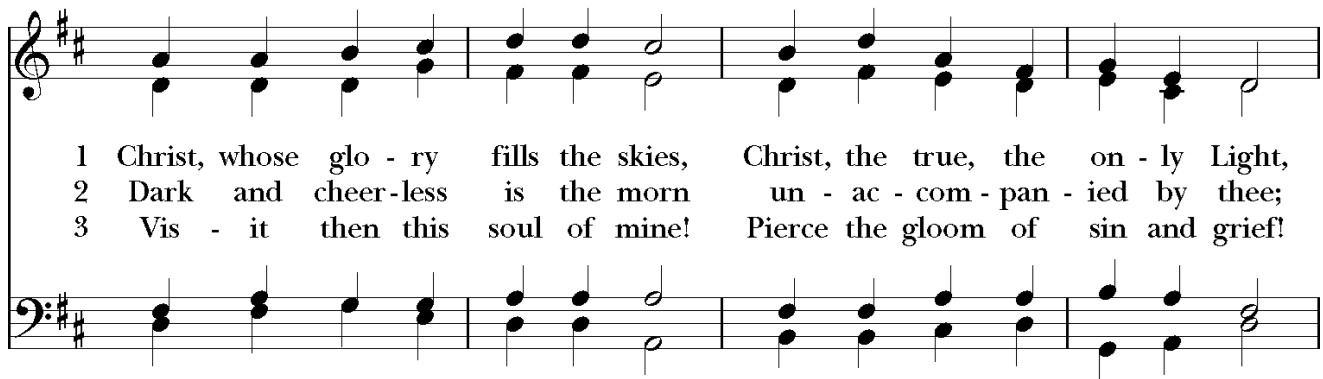
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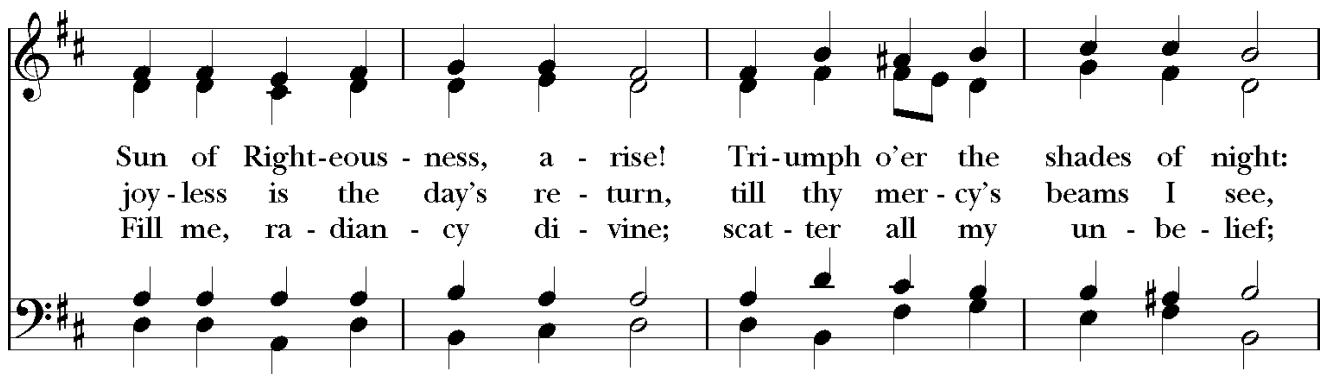
Everyone reads or sings aloud the words printed in **bold**.
The hymns are from the blue 1982 Hymnal in the pews, unless otherwise stated.

PRELUDE

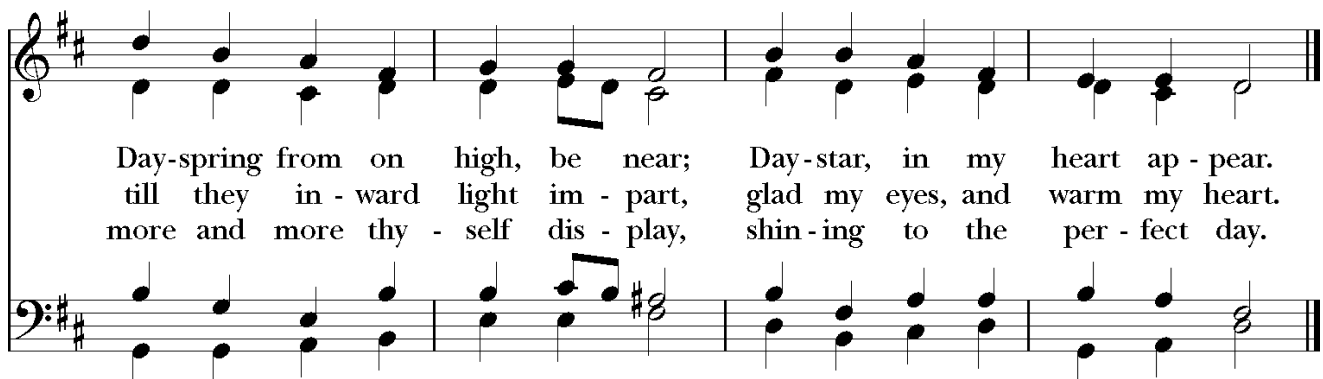
HYMN 7



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



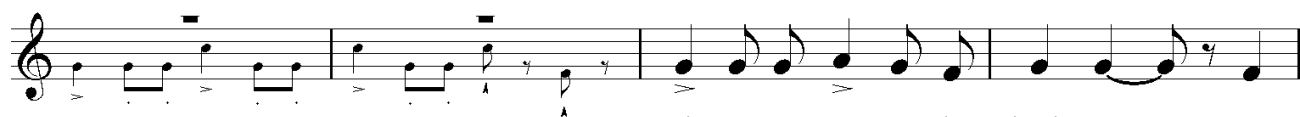
Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Celebrant Blessed are you, Light of the world.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant then says

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.**

THE GLORIA S-278



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Summoning God, inviting us to see what we find so hard to notice—the blinkers we wear, the lies we accept: as we are held in your gaze, may our faith awaken to see your kingdom growing and heaven open wide; through Jesus Christ, son of Joseph. **Amen.**

All are seated for the Lessons and Psalm appointed for today.

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, “Samuel! Samuel!” and he said, “Here I am!” and ran to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17(*read responsively by the verse*)

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

**2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

**4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

**12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

**14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.

**16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!**

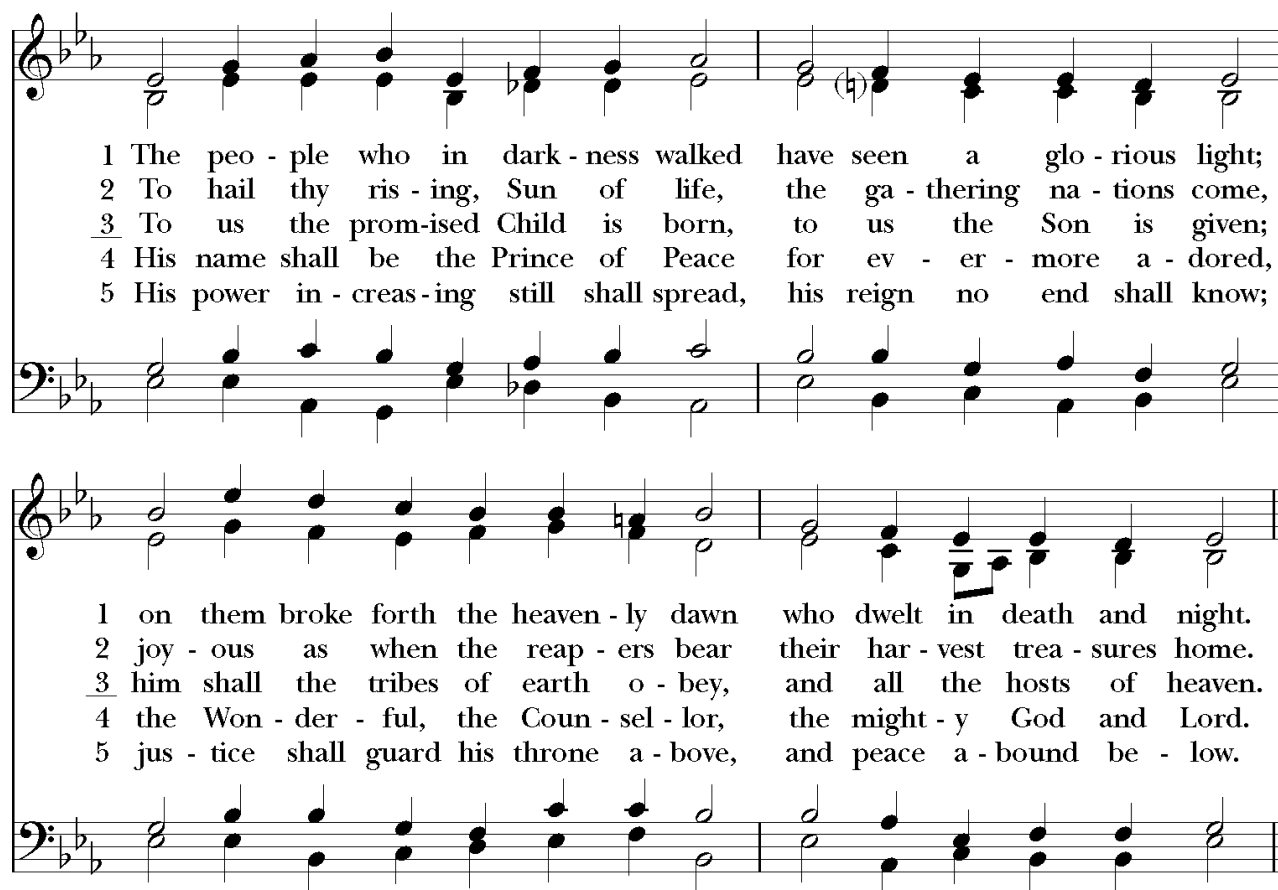
17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body..

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

THE GRADUAL HYMN 126 (*first 3 verses to be sung before, 4 and 5 after the gospel*)



1 The peo - ple who in dark - ness walked have seen a glo - rious light;
 2 To hail thy ris - ing, Sun of life, the ga - thering na - tions come,
 3 To us the prom-ised Child is born, to us the Son is given;
 4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace for ev - er - more a - dored,
 5 His power in - creas - ing still shall spread, his reign no end shall know;

1 on them broke forth the heaven - ly dawn who dwelt in death and night.
 2 joy - ous as when the reap - ers bear their har - vest trea - sures home.
 3 him shall the tribes of earth o - bey, and all the hosts of heaven.
 4 the Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - lor, the might - y God and Lord.
 5 jus - tice shall guard his throne a - bove, and peace a - bound be - low.

THE GOSPEL

John 1:43-51

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Tami Burks

Following the sermon, please remain seated for a moment of reflection.

THE NICENE CREED *(said by all)*

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Gracious and loving Creator, in Christ you have revealed to all the earth the mystery of your love, spreading your illumination and your abundant promises unto all the earth: Hear us now and visit us with that light, as we pray for the needs of all creation, saying: Arise, shine, for the light has come, and the glory of God has risen upon us.

Silence

Through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety may now be made known: Help us and all your church to manifest the boundless riches of Christ, becoming servants according to the gift of God's grace that was given us by the working of God's power. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Matt, Allen, and Mary, our bishops, Tami, our priest, Lainie, our deacon, and for all members of this community and your church around the world.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

We pray for the leaders of our nation, our state, and our local community. Thwart the schemes of the powerful against the weak throughout the world, that wisdom may serve justice and the wise may follow the child.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

Manifest your love to the peoples of our community and lead us to your presence, so all may see your glory face to face.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

Deliver those who are in need or suffering from disease, poverty, oppression, mistreatment, or any distress in the world and in our community. Help us to carry your light and love beyond the doors of the church. We pray especially for **Helen** Banyard, **Katherine** Connell-Thouez, **Jerry** Ingenito, **Kate**, **Ann Breen** Metcalfe, **Robert**, **Essie** Steckler, and **Martin** Vidales.

At this time, please add the names of those for whom you wish prayers, either silently or aloud.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

We give grateful praise for Christ, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. Hear our prayers of thanksgiving.

At this time, please add whatever you are especially thankful for, either silently or aloud.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

We remember those who have entered into the mystery of your eternal life.

At this time, please add the names of those we love and remember but see no more, either silently or aloud.

Silence

Arise, shine; for the light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon us.

Celebrant

Gracious and loving God, we come before you with no gifts but ourselves: Accept and receive our lives that we may be manifestations of your presence; let the light of your Spirit shine within and among us, so we may share in the mystery of your purpose of blessing for all creation, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A brief moment of silence is kept

Said by all

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant

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

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

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS; ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

THE SANCTUS S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The musical score is written on four staves in G-clef (treble clef) with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. There are three triplets marked with a '3' and a bracket. The first triplet is on the second staff, the second on the third staff, and the third on the fourth staff. The score ends with a double bar line.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Lord God of our Mothers: God of Sarah, Rebecca, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

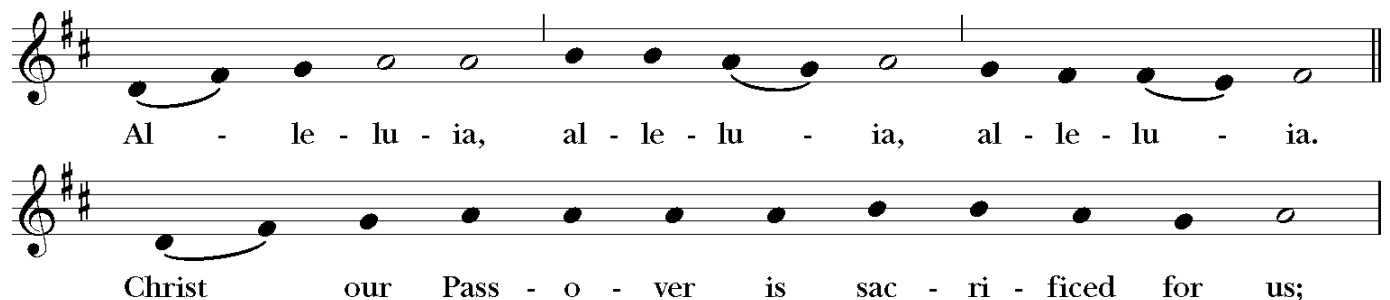
All pray together

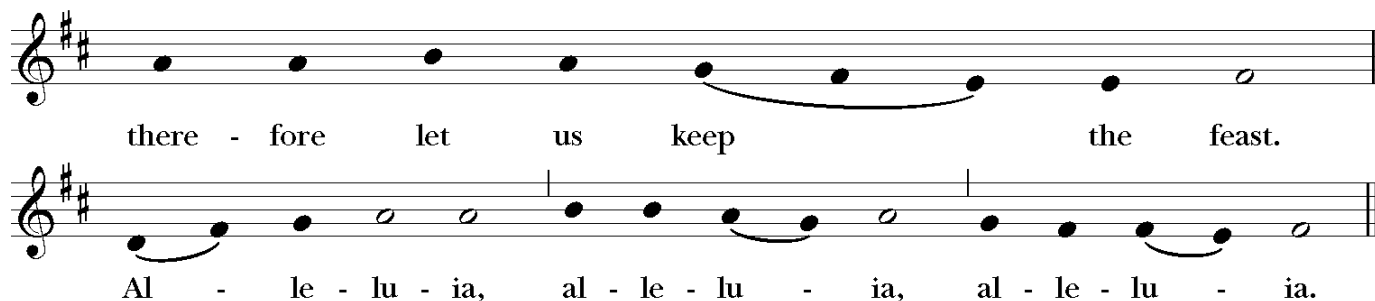
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and a period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-154





Facing the People, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who feel you have failed. Come. It is Christ who bids us to meet him here, and all are welcome.

All are indeed welcome and encouraged to receive Communion. If you would like to receive the bread, open your hands. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you would also like to receive the wine either sip from the chalice, or give the person holding the chalice the wafer and they will intinct (dip it in the wine) and hand it back to you. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and we will bring communion to you. If you wish to receive a gluten free wafer let the priest know when you come forward.

DURING COMMUNION HYMNS 324 AND WL&P 812

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All pray together

**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.**

BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So... be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

HYMN 500

1 Cre - a - tor Spi - rit, by whose aid the world's foun -
 2 O Source of un - cre - at - ed light, the Fa - ther's
 3 Plen - teous of grace, come from on high, rich in thy

da - tions first were laid, come, vis - it ev - ery hum - ble
 prom - ised Par - a - clete, thrice ho - ly Fount, thrice ho - ly
 seven - fold en - er - gy; make us e - ter - nal truth re -

mind; come, pour thy joys on hu - man - kind; from sin and
 Fire, our hearts with heaven - ly love in - spire; come, and thy
 ceive, and prac - tice all that we be - lieve; give us thy -

sor - row set us free, and make thy tem - ples wor - thy thee.
 sa - cred unc - tion bring to sanc - ti - fy us while we sing.
 self, that we may see the Fa - ther and the Son by thee.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

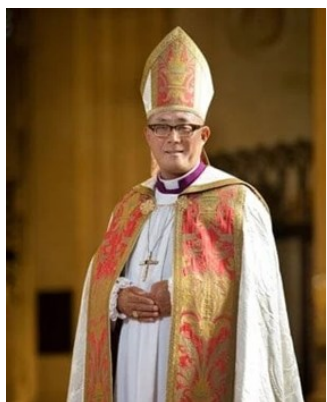
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

The liturgy has ended. The service now begins.

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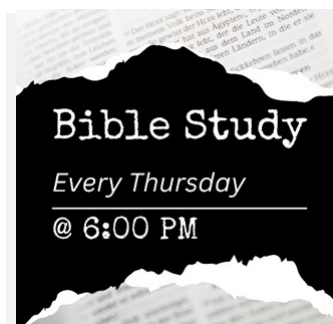
The office of St. Thomas will be closed Monday, January 15 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday



The Bishop comes!

On Sunday, January 21, the Rt. Rev. Allen K. Shin, bishop suffragan of the diocese of New York will visit St. Thomas church! To make his visit even more celebratory we plan on having a special coffee hour and are asking you to sign up to bring some food. Thank you!

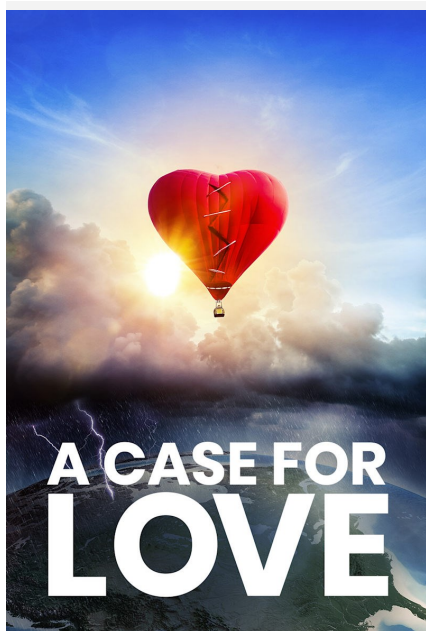
Sign up in the back the church.



Zoom Bible Study

Weekly study, Thursday @ 6:00PM.
No prior bible study experience necessary!

Zoom ID: 9477797880
password 531346.



Tuesday, January 23 at 7:00 PM: Bishop Curry's documentary "A Case for Love"

You are invited to a Premiere of "A Case for Love", a documentary film featuring Presiding Bishop Michael Curry that examines how unselfish love is the solution to the extreme societal and political divide facing the world. The Bishop Curry film, "A Case for Love," will be shown in theaters nationwide, and in 4 theaters in our Diocese **on Tuesday, January 23rd only**: two theaters in Manhattan, one theater in Poughkeepsie, and the Regal NewRoc in New Rochelle

Save the date

Annual Meeting on **February 11** after the 10:00AM service.

We've been invited to participate in a service celebrating the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* which has been celebrated throughout the world by many Christians for over 100 years. A joint ecumenical evening of prayer will be held on the last night of the *Week of Prayer*, Thursday, January 25 at 7pm in St. Augustine Church in Larchmont. The Rev. Tami Burks will be participating in the leadership of the service; please attend if able. Also, if anyone would like to sing with the St. Augustine's choir that evening, let Tami know and she will put you in touch with the music director.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Ecumenical Prayer Service

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself." -Luke 10:27



Christians from all
congregations are welcome
to join together to pray with
one heart and voice for the
unity of Christians in our
communities and throughout
the whole world.

Thursday, January 25 at 7:00pm

St. Augustine Church

18 Cherry Avenue + Larchmont, NY 10538