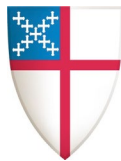


Welcome to
ST. THOMAS
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CHURCH



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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
June 30, 2024

ORDER OF SERVICE

Please use the following order of service to find your place in The Book of Common Prayer located in the pew racks in front of you. The blue Hymnal 1982 and supplemental hymnals Wonder Love and Praise and Lift Every Voice and Sing II contain hymns and service music.

If you are new to our community, please fill out a welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the collection plate during the offering.

Coffee and refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after each service, through the double doors to the right of the altar and down the hallway. There, you will have an opportunity to visit with members of the church community.

Voluntary	<i>Organ Hymn</i>	<i>Robert Powell</i>
Opening Hymn		Hymnal 518
Opening Sentence		

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen

There is one Body and one Spirit
There is one hope in God's call to us.

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Father of all.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

The Collect

BCP 230

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 1:17-27

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said: Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places! How the mighty have fallen! Tell it not in Gath, proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon; or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice, the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult. You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more. From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, he bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty. Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions. O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel. How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women. How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

BCP 784

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
Lord, hear my voice.*

Let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

A Reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

As you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-- so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something-- now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has-- not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All stand, as they are able.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 5:21-43

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

A Service for the Ending of a Pastoral Relationship

The Peace

BCP 360

At the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 411

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

The Sanctus

Hymnal S-129

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-163

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 341

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Announcements

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 493

Blessing & Dismissal

BCP 366

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Kay Ensfield for being our guest organist today.

Please join us after today's service for a luncheon reception as we say goodbye to Father Rick and thank him for his service to St. Thomas.

- **The Pride Parade is Friday, July 19th at 7 p.m.** We need 5 participants to march in the Parade; if interested, see Trish by June 30th. The Festival is Saturday from noon until 8p.m. at Leila Arboretum.

Next Sunday's Lessons: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10, Psalm 48,
2 Corinthians 12:2-10, Mark 6:1-13

SERVING THIS WEEK

10AM

Bishop's Representative: The Rev. Canon Tracie Little

Presider The Rev. Rick Stravers

Preacher	The Rev. Rick Stravers
Deacon	The Rev. Trish Harris
Sub Deacon	Karmel Addis
Lectors	Kathy Dingwall
Crucifer	Jody Nickerson
Chalice	Trish Harris, Jodi Nickerson, Karmel Addis, Tracie Little
Altar Chapter	Brenda Hillman, Elsie Gibson
Ushers	Roy Hillman
Vestry Liaison	Jill Ebeling
AV Tech	Alexis Stark, Khi Carpenter