



Sunday 28 August 2022, 10am  
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

# The Eucharist

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Soloist  
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Organist  
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Mass Setting  
Mass of St Thomas *Thorne*

⊕ Common Worship

# **Thank you for joining us today, whether you are in the building or worshipping online.**

Please note the following guidelines for worship in the building. These are gestures of the care we have for one another.

- You are welcome to wear a face mask.
- At the Peace you are invited to shake hands with neighbours, but please be respectful of those who would rather share the peace in non-physical ways.
- If you are feeling unwell, please return home and join us online if possible.

## **Filming**

This service is being streamed live to our public Facebook page. The camera focuses on the clergy and other contributors only for most of the service but turns to face the congregation at times, in the central block of seating between the pillars. If you wish to avoid being on camera, please sit on the south side area and let a steward know if you would like to receive communion. We will be filming the reading of the Gospel from halfway down the central aisle. Please note people sitting in pews immediately around this may be caught on camera at this point.

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# The Gathering

Welcome

*Please stand. Silence is kept.*

## The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

*We acknowledge God's presence drawing each of us into one body as we gather on site and online.*

Visit us Lord, by your Holy Spirit.

**All Though in many places, we are united as one body.  
Though from many backgrounds, we share one hope.**

## Opening Hymn

- 1 Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy never ceasing  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious measure  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
O the vast, the boundless treasure  
of my Lord's unchanging love.**
- 2 Here I find my greatest treasure:  
'hither by thy help I've come',  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.**
- 3 O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
take my heart, O take and seal it,  
seal it from thy courts above!**

*Robert Robinson (1735-1790)*

*Please sit or kneel.*

## Confession

Let us confess our sins to the God who knows our hearts and longs to embrace us and restore us to life.

*Silence is kept.*

You call us to be doers of the word but we have been hearers only.  
Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

You call us to love you but we have taken our love elsewhere.  
Christ, have mercy.

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

You call us to love one another but we have been selfish, cruel and mean.  
Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

Gloria in Excelsis *opposite*

## Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

# Gloria in Excelsis

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est. Glo-ry to God in the

High - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, Heav'n- ly King, Al-

migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we\_ praise you for your

glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est.

Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther. Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take\_ a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us; You are

sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God,

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly one,

You a - lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly spi - rit, in the Glo - ry of God the Fa - ther,

Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the High - est.

# The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Jeremiah 2: 4-13 *read by Lawrence Warner*

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, 'Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?' I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Hear the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 *read by Valentina Chan*

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you;

consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand and turn to face the Gospel in the centre aisle.*

### Gospel Hymn

**1 Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour,  
all for love's sake becamest poor;  
thrones for a manger didst surrender,  
sapphire-paved courts for stable floor.  
Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour,  
all for love's sake becamest poor.**

**2 Thou who art God beyond all praising,  
all for love's sake becamest man;  
stooping so low, but sinners raising  
heavenwards by thine eternal plan.  
Thou who art God beyond all praising,  
all for love's sake becamest man.**

*continued after Gospel reading*

## The Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Reading Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place', and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the

lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn *continued*

**3 Thou who art love beyond all telling,  
Saviour and King, we worship thee.  
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,  
make us what thou wouldst have us be.  
Thou who art love, beyond all telling,  
Saviour and King, we worship thee.**

*Frank Houghton (1894–1972)*

*Please sit after the opening prayer.*

Sermon Revd Harry Ching

Anthem This Day *Bob Chilcott*

*Please stand.*

Nicene Creed

*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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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.**

*Please sit or kneel.*

The Prayers of Intercession *led by Bronwyn Sanders*

*The response to the prayers is:*

Lord, in your mercy

**All Hear our prayer.**

*And, at the end:*

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

*All* The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*A collection will be taken for the work of this church during the following hymn. You are welcome to donate using:*

- cash in the collection bags filling in a Gift Aid envelope if applicable*
- select amount and tap the card machines brought by the stewards*
- online at [smartininthefields.myiknowchurch.co.uk/giving](http://smartininthefields.myiknowchurch.co.uk/giving)*
- by texting COLLECTION to 70450 to donate £10 (texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message).*

### Offertory Hymn

- 1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in every change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**
- 2 Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.**
- 3 Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then you shall better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.  
Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.**

*continued...*

- 4 **Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

*Stille, meine Wille; dein Jesus hilft siegen, Katherina A D von Schlegel (born 1697)  
tr. Jane L Borthwick (1813–1897)*

## The Preparation of the Table The Taking of the Bread and Wine

*The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The presider takes the bread and wine.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

- All** **All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

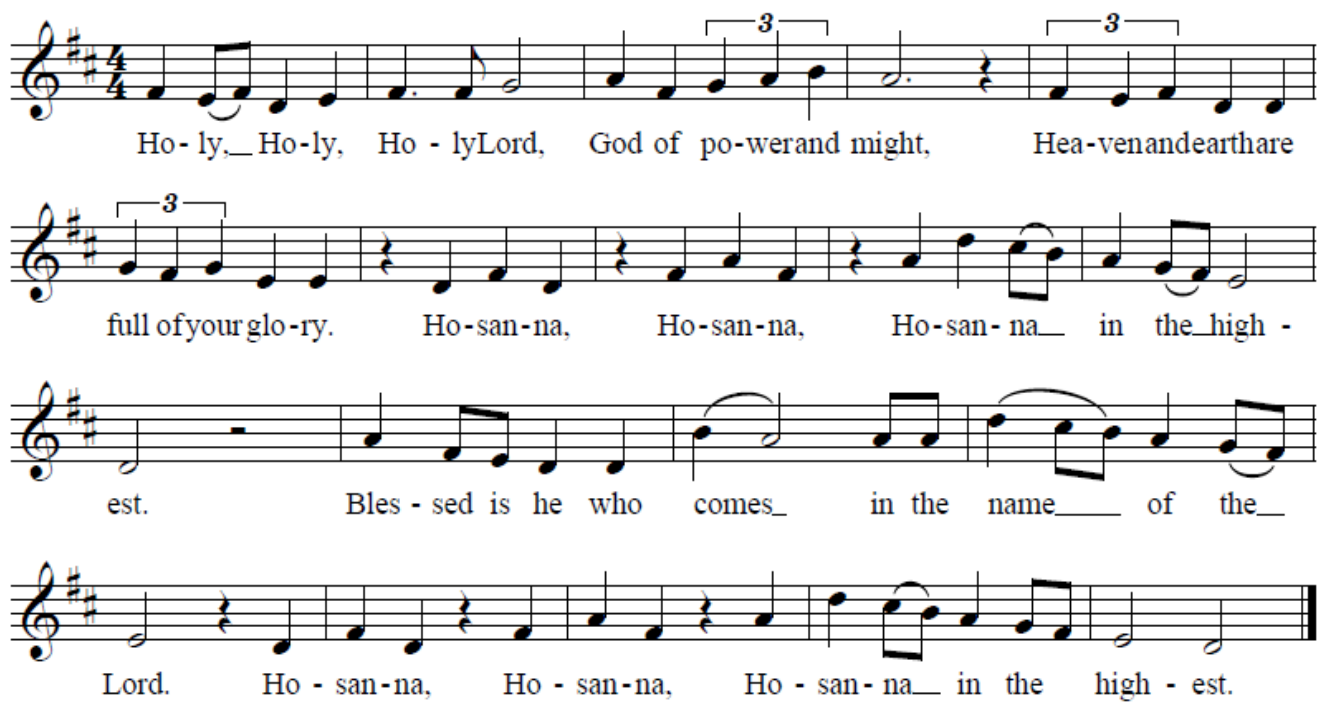
## The Eucharistic Prayer

- The Lord be with you  
**All** **and also with you.**

- Lift up your hearts.  
**All** **We lift them to the Lord.**

- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All** **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Exalted above all is your name, God of Jacob, for you feed your people, not only for today but for eternity, with your food that truly satisfies. When your people hungered, you longed to feed them with finest wheat, and through the grace of your servant Jacob turned famine into abundant provision. When you brought your children out of slavery, you filled their mouths with good things and led them to life in a land of plenty. In the fullness of time your Son gave us a place of honour at the banquet of salvation which is more than we could ever deserve. And so we rejoice with all who feed on him by faith with thanksgiving, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, as we join the unending hymn.



Transforming God, as you exalt the humble and humble the exalted, pour your grace upon your church gathered to remember the dying and rising of your Son. Send your Spirit upon this bread and this cup that they may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, 'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, '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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All Christ has died:**  
**Christ is risen:**  
**Christ will come again.**

Inviting God, as in your Son you beckon the poor and the crippled and the blind and the lame, visit your church where it is poor, and make it reflect the wonder of your love; renew your people where they are crippled, that your power may be made perfect in weakness; empower your children where they are blind, that they may know you more truly; and uphold your saints where they are lame, that they may find friends gracious in support and strength and with whom they may never be afraid. Make your church a place of hospitality, that it may entertain angels unawares. For in Christ you are the same yesterday, today, and forever, and in the power of your Spirit we shall never walk alone, heavenly Father, radiant in glory.

**All Amen.**

*Please sit or kneel.*

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray, each in our own first language.

**All** Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All** Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

## Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sins of the world: Grant us peace.

## The Giving of Communion

God's heart is open to us in Christ: let us receive God's love with joy and gladness.

*Communicant members of all Christian Churches are invited to receive Holy Communion at St Martin's. Gluten-free wafers are available in the south aisle. Communicants are invited to use our one way system; walk up around the choir stall, join the altar rail and return to their seats via the centre. Both the north and south sides are also used for Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your seat do let a steward know.*

*Our current practice at the altar rail is to either receive bread alone or to dip your wafer into the small amount of wine held in the Communion cup. All others may come forward for a prayer of blessing - please indicate this by bowing your head.*

Communion Anthem   Ave Maria   Schubert

*Silence is kept.*

## The Prayer after Communion

**All   Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## The Dismissal

### Notices

*Please stand.*

### Blessing

Christ, who nourishes you with himself, the living bread and the true vine, make you one in praise and service, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**All   Amen.**

## Thanksgiving Hymn

- 1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.**
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!**

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (born 1926) from Luke 1: 46-55*

## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ, Amen.**

## Organ Voluntary

If you present this service sheet in the Cafe in the Crypt or Courtyard Cafe today before 2pm you will be entitled to 30% off your tea and coffee.

This will continue while our Parish Coffee Team are on holiday.

Coffee in the Hall will resume on Sunday 4 September.

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