

**The Second Sunday after Pentecost  
June 2, 2024**



**St. Thomas' Episcopal Church  
Camden, Maine**

## 8:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

*Children are always welcome in the church.*

*Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.*

### Prelude

**Opening Hymn** (*insert*)      God is here      *Fred Pratt Green*

**Acclamation Response:** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*      page 323

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**Collect, Readings and Gospel** (*pages 3-5*)

**Sermon**      The Rev. Van Bankston

**Nicene Creed**      page 326

**Prayers of the People Form VI**      page 392

**Blessings for Anniversaries and Birthdays**

**The Peace**

**Offertory Hymn 459**      And have the bright immensities      *Halifax*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II**      page 340

**The Lord's Prayer**      page 336

**The Breaking of the Bread**      page 337

**Prayer of Humble Access**      page 337

**The Communion**      *This is God's table, all are welcome.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available; ask the priest when you come to the altar rail.*

*You can request that Communion be brought to your pew by letting an usher know.*

**Communion Voluntary**

**Postcommunion Prayer**      page 339

**Dismissal Hymn** (*insert*)      Lord of the Dance

**Dismissal Response:** *Thanks be to God*

**Postlude**



# 10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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## Prelude

**Opening Hymn** (*insert*)                      God is here                      *Fred Pratt Green*

**Acclamation Response:** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*                      page 355

**Gloria** (*insert in Hymnal*)                      *William Mathias*                      Hymnal S278

**Collect and Readings** (*pages 3-4*)

**Sequence Hymn** (*insert*)                      Here I am, Lord                      *Schutte*

**The Gospel** (*page 4-5*)

**Sermon**                      The Rev. Van Bankston

**Nicene Creed**                      page 358

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**Blessings for Anniversaries and Birthdays**

**The Peace**                      page 360

**Offertory**

**Offertory Hymn 459**                      And have the bright immensities                      *Halifax*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A**                      page 361

**Sanctus** (*insert in Hymnal*)

**The Lord's Prayer**                      page 364

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**The Communion**                      *This is God's table, all are welcome.*

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**Communion Voluntary**

**Postcommunion Prayer**                      page 365

**Dismissal Hymn** (*insert*)                      Lord of the Dance

**Dismissal Response:** *Thanks be to God*

**Postlude**



## The Collect

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Reading

### 1 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."

## Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

- 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.

## **The Second Reading**

## **2 Corinthians 4:5-12**

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

## The Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?” And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.” Then he said to them, “The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.”

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, “Come forward.” Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.



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## **Liturgical Ministers**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Van Bankston  
Organist: Clarissa Brown, Minister of Music

### **8:00 a.m.**

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Sandy Lyle  
Lay Readers: Amy Frankel, Edmund Hartt  
Intercessor: Jan Lyle  
Usher: Edmund Hartt

### **10 a.m.**

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Jacqueline Recht  
Lay Readers: Sarah Groman, Doc Wallace  
Intercessor: Haunani Wallace  
Ushers: Dean Jackson, Kate Jackson

### **People in our Prayers**

**Healing:** Fr. Tom Pike, Edmund, Andrew, Jan Dolcater, Helene, John, Cheryl, Phyllis, Michael, Bob, Sylvia, Matthew Jackson, Marlene, Percy, Joan Grey, Bayard Chanler, Margery, Cathy, James, Jennifer Smith, Ken, Joseph, Kelli McGuire, Tony, Jo Panayotoff, Joyce S, Jan Schaefer, Kyle R., Christine & Paul M, Jolene & Joseph G., Jason, Kristen, Evie Bridges, Luke Morelli, Elizabeth and Gerard Gillespie, Leah, Tim Peters, Janice Boetsch, Lucy Ebbert, Shirley, Tiffany Andrews, Budge Walen, Chris, Sandy, Vicki Boetsch, Allison Davis, Catherine G, Annabel, Virginia, Pam Kaler

**Birthdays:** Jan Lyle (June 2), John Laite (June 8)

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Aidan, Machias; St. Thomas, Camden; and for all those suffering ill health in body or in mind

### ***This Week at St. Thomas'***

#### **Sunday, June 2:**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (*Coffee Hour Follows*)  
4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

#### **Wednesday, June 5:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing  
11:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Thursday, June 6:**

5 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, June 9:**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (*Coffee Hour Follows*)

4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

**A.A. meetings are held daily at 6:30 p.m.**

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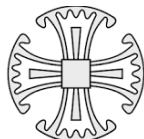
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