



The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two
Sunday, July 27, 2025

10 a.m.

Welcome visitors and newcomers; we are glad you are here! If you would like more information about the community of St. Thomas, please speak to a greeter or a member of the clergy. To receive information by email, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew and give to an usher or place in the offering plate.

Prelude

Récit de tierce en taille

Nicholas DEGRIGNY
(1672-1703)

Gathering Hymn 1

Father, we praise thee

Christe sanctorum

The Officiant says

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**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 Officiant remains kneeling and 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 and Psalter

All stand

Officiant

Lord, open our lips.

People

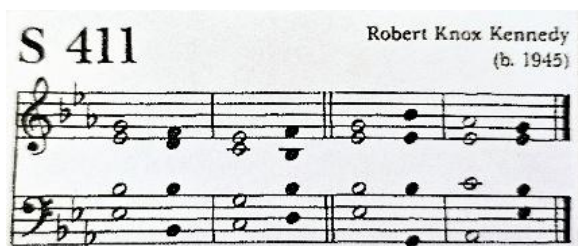
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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 for ever.
Amen. Alleluia.**

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!



Psalm 138

- ¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- ²I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- ³For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- ⁴When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- ⁵All the kings of the earth will praise you, O/ LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- ⁶They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- ⁷Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- ⁸Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.
- ⁹The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Genesis [18:20-32]

²⁰The LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” ²⁶And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” ²⁷Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” ²⁹Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” ³⁰Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” ³¹He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” ³²Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

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

Silence may follow.

Canticle 1: A Song of Creation *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini*
Song of the Three Young Men, 35-65

All stand and say

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O let the earth bless the Lord; *
 O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord;
O all ye green things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O ye wells, bless ye the Lord; *
 O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord;
O ye whales and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord;*
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord; *
 O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord;
O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O ye people of God, bless ye the Lord; *
 O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;
O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.
O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord; *
 O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord.
Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; *
 praise him and magnify him for ever.

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Colossae [2:6-15]

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according

to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

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

Silence may follow.

Solo by Jefferey Conrad

The Lord is in this place

Ed Shindle

The people sit.

A Reading from Luke [11:1-13]

¹Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”²He said to them, “When you pray, say:

‘Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.’”

⁵And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

Silence may follow.

The Sermon

The Apostles’ Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing.

**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

Salutation

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.**

V. Help us, O God our Savior;
R. **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**
V. Look upon your congregation;
R. **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. **And your wonders among all peoples.**
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
R. **Never forget the lives of your poor.**
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
R. **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
R. **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



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Offertory Hymn

Spirit of God

A musical score for the hymn 'Spirit of God'. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 2/2. The lyrics are: 1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies, 3. Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King? 4. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh; 5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love, wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move; no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay, All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind. teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear. one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame; stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art, no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - pening skies; I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. To check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh, the kin - dling of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove, and make me love thee as I ought to love. but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way. O let me seek thee, and O let me find! teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer. my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

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.

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.*

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Hymn 410

Praise my soul

Lauda anima

Postlude

Dialogue à 2 chœurs

G-G NIVERS

(1632-1714)

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July Birthdays: Cheryl White (12), Peggy Daniels (14), Sarah Cotton (20), Roy Bennett (24), Dean Jackson (28)

Diocese Cycle of Prayer: All Saints by the Sea, Southport, For our Assisting Bishops, Bishop Shannon MacVean-Brown (VT) and Bishop Rob Hirschfeld (NH)

Preparing for Baptism: Elliott Reed

This Week at St. Thomas'

Sunday, July 27

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite I

10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite II, Coffee Hour Follows (*Parish Hall*)

4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (*Lady Chapel*)

Monday, July 28

10:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Yuan Ji Dance Class (*Godly Play Room*)

Tuesday, July 29

4:00 p.m. Bell Tower Committee (*Conference Room*)

Wednesday, July 30

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing

11:00 a.m. Bible Study (*online*)

Thursday, July 31

10:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Yuan Ji Dance Class (*Godly Play Room*)

Sunday, August 3

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 a.m. Holy Baptism and Eucharist Rite II, (*Coffee Hour Follows in Parish Hall*)

4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (*Lady Chapel*)

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

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