

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two
Sunday, October 26, 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

Hymn 362

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty

Nicaea

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Children's Chapel participants come forward

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 congregation

Will you pray for these young people and chaplains as they hear and receive God's Word?

People **We will.**

The Officiant then says to the chapel participants

Will you pray for us as we hear and receive God's Word?

Chapel Participants **We will.**

Officiant **Go in peace.**

The Officiant says

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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.**

Hymn S 35 *Venite*

1. Come, let us sing to the
Lord; — let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -
va - tion. — 2. Let us come be-fore his pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing —
— and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. — 3. For the
Lord is a great God, — and a great King a - bove all
gods. — 4. In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth, —
— and the heights of the hills are his al - so. — 5. The
sea is his, for he made it, — and his hands have
mold - ed the dry land. — 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the
knee, — and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma - ker. — 7. For
he is our God, — and we are the peo-ple of his
pas - ture — and the sheep of his hand. —
— Oh, that to - day you would heark-en to his voice! —

All sit. The Psalm may be said responsively.

PSALM: Psalm 84:1-6

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

²**The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; ***
**by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.**

³Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

⁴**Happy are the people whose strength is in you! ***
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁵Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁶**They will climb from height to height, ***
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

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

A Reading from Ecclesiasticus [35:12-17]

¹²Give to the Most High as he has given to you,
and as generously as you can afford.

¹³For the Lord is the one who repays,
and he will repay you sevenfold.

¹⁴Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it;

¹⁵and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice;
for the Lord is the judge,
and with him there is no partiality.

¹⁶He will not show partiality to the poor;
but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.

¹⁷He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan,
or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

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 Second letter to Timothy [4:6-8, 16-18]

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Silence may follow.

Canticle 19: The Song of the Redeemed
All stand and say

Magna et mirabilia

Revelation 15:3-4

**O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The people sit.

A Reading from Luke [18:9-14]

⁹[Jesus] told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt. ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not

even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Ministry Minute Speaker

Sandy Lyle

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

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. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
 R. **And grant us your salvation.**
 V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
 R. **Let your people sing with joy.**
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
 R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
 R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;
 R. **Your saving health among all nations.**
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
 R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
 R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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.**



*Prayers for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Travel may be offered. Announcements may be made.
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 The minister receives the offerings of the people and places them on the altar during the hymn.*

All stand and sing

Offertory Hymn 377

All people that on earth do dwell

Old 100th

Unison or harmony

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our aid he
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap - proach with joy his
 4 For why? the Lord our God is good, his mer - cy is for
 *5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom heaven and

1 cheer - ful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth
 2 did us make: we are his folk, he doth us
 3 courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his Name al -
 4 ev - er sure; his truth at all times firm - ly
 5 earth a - dore, from men and from the an - gel

1 tell, come ye be - fore him and re - - joice.
 2 feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 3 ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 4 stood, and shall from age to age en - - dure.
 5 host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - - more.

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.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.
Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Postlude

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Reading 3: Gwen Prosser

Usher: Bobby Purkey, Diane Purkey

People in our Prayers

Preparing for Baptism: Violet Groman

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Died: Polly Chatfield

October Birthdays: Rosalee Glass (1), Lucy Lowry (6), Rebecca Vogt (7), Chris Groman (9), William Conrad (14), Phyllis Barry (17), Stephen Thomas (17), Benjy Lowry (18), Nancy Wright (25), Doc Wallace (27), Kathleen Buchanan (27), Sam Cotton (31)

Diocese Cycle of Prayer: St. Andrew & St. John, Southwest Harbor, St. Saviour, Bar Harbor, For the priests of our diocese

This Week at St. Thomas'

Sunday, October 26:

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite I

10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer II (*Coffee Hour follows in Parish Hall*)

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

Wednesday, October 29:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing

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

Sunday After All Saints Day, November 2:

Ingathering of 2026 Pledges

8:00 a.m. Renewal of Baptismal Vows & Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 a.m. Harvest Pie Celebration (*Parish Hall*)

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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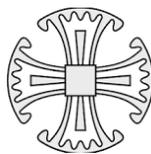
All Saints' Day is one of the great festivals of the Church year celebrating those who have reflected the light of Christ in their own life. Do you have a favorite saint? Are you named after a saint? Who are the people in your life who have introduced you to Christ and nourished your faith by their example? One helpful resource to learn about saints can be found at <https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/calendar>

Saint Paul refers to all the baptized as "saints". Whether you think of yourself as a saint or not, you are baptized into the way of Jesus. On **the Sunday After All Saints' Day, November 2**, we will renew our baptismal vows at both services. At 10 o'clock, we will receive Violet Groman into the household of God through the Sacrament of Baptism. How will you support Violet into this new life and help her grow into the full stature of Christ?

On this day, we make our financial commitment to support the work of Jesus Christ through the ministries of St. Thomas' Church. Everything we have: our family, our health, talents, and income are gifts from God. Will you offer a percentage of your income to support the life changing work of God's redeeming work? We will meet between the services at 9 a.m. as one community to celebrate the harvest of transformed lives that God is bringing about in our midst. A smorgasbord of homemade pies will be laid out to enjoy with fellow parishioners and we will receive an update on our 2026 pledge campaign. "All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee."

Remembering the saints of our lives, I invite you to bring photographs of those who are now living in the fullness of God's presence. You may place them on a table in the Lady Chapel and if you wish, you may leave their photos there until November 23 (please remove them on or before that day). A large book will be nearby to inscribe names of those whom we wish to remember. It too will be available in the Chapel from November 1 through November 23 and you may inscribe names of deceased friends and relatives at anytime. Pausing to write the name of those we love but see no longer in itself is an act of prayer, deepening our assurance of eternal life.

We will also pray for those who are buried in All Souls' Memorial Garden located by the statue of St. Thomas; follow the procession outside at the end of the 8 a.m. Eucharist. Plan on coming about 8:45 a.m. to join the prayer if you are coming to the 9 o'clock harvest celebration and later service. "Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them."



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