

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.✠
 In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, 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.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, virgin Mother of God, St Thomas the Apostle and our patron, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **All Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us
All 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread *The priest breaks the consecrated host, saying:* 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.

The priest says the invitation to communion
 ✠Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The Agnus Dei is then played as the altar party receive Holy Communion and the priest moves with the ciborium to the chancel step.

Communion Antiphon: Entrance Antiphon is sung.
 Christ loved us and gave himself to us on the cross:
 He stretched out his hands and embraced the world. S. Cyril of Jerusalem

After that is intoned, the people then come forward walking up the centre aisle to receive Holy Communion in one kind only, standing at the Chancel Step. No accompanying words will be given, but mediate on Christ's body. Then return via the North Aisle to their places. Please keep a 2 meter gap!

During Holy Communion an Organ Voluntary is played followed by the recorded Anthem by our choir.

Prayer after Communion

Lord, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other.
All Amen.

The Notices are given followed by The Dismissal

The Lord be with you. **All And also with you.**
 The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. **All Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ, Amen.

Silence as the Postlude is played.

Please exit by the Rear/North-West Door

Please note there is no cash collection at the Offertory. However, if there will be a plate at the exit, or, alternatively please send your gift to: PCC of St Thomas the Apostle 40-1 I-58 A/C: 70293881

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, material from which is included in this service, is copyright The Archbishops' Council 2000. Common Worship: Times and Seasons, is copyright The Archbishops' Council 2006. Other material from The Sunday and Weekday Missal (1984 & 1982) CCL No: 154364.

**6.30pm EVENING PRAYER
 LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
 Psalm 119.89-104 p. 525
 Ecclesiastes 12
 2 Timothy 2.1-7**



25th October 2020

Last of Trinity

Today's Services:
 10am Parish Mass
 4pm Children's Church
 6.30pm Evening Prayer

Welcome to St Thomas' Church, Boston Road!
 Due to the COVID 19 pandemic we forced to do things a little differently to protect all of us, especially the most potentially vulnerable. Therefore,

- Please observe 2 metre social distancing.
- Be guided by the sidesmen.
- Follow any instructions given by the priest.
- Masks must be worn.
- NO communal singing inc. hymns. Music will still feature and it aims to deepen our devotion and celebration, as we gather in this sacred space and rejoice in Christ's presence in word and sacrament.

Organ Prelude followed by Entrance processional played on St Thomas' Organ.

Entrance Antiphon is sung.
 Love God with all your body, mind and spirit:
 And love your neighbour as yourself.

The recorded Introit is sung by our Choir

✠In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit. **All Amen.**
 The Lord be with you **All And also with you.**

The Welcome followed by Invitation to Confession is given, followed by a Kyrie played on the Organ. At the end the Kyries are said:
 Lord, have mercy. **All Lord, have mercy.**
 Christ, have mercy. **All Christ, have mercy.**
 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.**

The Gloria in excelsis is said:
All Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect is said.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command. Grant this; 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**

Sit First Reading read by Chris Michell **Exodus 22. 21-27**

²¹You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. ²²You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. ²³If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; ²⁴my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans. ²⁵If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. ²⁶If you take your neighbour's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; ²⁷for it may be your neighbour's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbour cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate.
This is the Word of the Lord **All Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 90.1-6 & 13-17 *Domine, refugium*

¹ Lord, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to an other.
² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made: thou art God from everlasting, & world without end.
³ Thou turnest man to destruction:
again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.
⁴ For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday :
seeing that is past as a watch in the night.
⁵ As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep :
and fade away suddenly like the grass.
⁶ In the morning it is green, and groweth up :
but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
¹³ Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last: & be gracious unto thy servants.
¹⁴ O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon :
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
¹⁵ Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us :
and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.
¹⁶ Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.
¹⁷ And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handywork.
Glory be to the Father, & to the Son: & to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end Amen.

Second Reading read by Alison Baxendale **I Thess 2. 1-8**

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.
This is the Word of the Lord **All Thanks be to God.**

Stand as the Organ Fanfare heralds the Gospel.

The Lord be with you. **All And also with you.**
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew (22.34-40) **All ✠✠✠Glory to you, O Lord.**
³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, ““You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” ⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²“What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet””? ⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions. This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you O Christ.

The Sermon

The 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 bow

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.

Sit for the Prayers of Intercession led by Eileen Sinclair

The Peace is introduced followed by
The peace of the Lord be always with you
All and also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

During the Offertory organ music is played.

Offertory Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful Lord, make holy these gifts, and let our spiritual sacrifice make us an everlasting gift to you. **All Amen.**

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
Father all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. With love we celebrate his death. With living faith we proclaim his resurrection. With unwavering hope we await his return in glory. Now, with all the saints and all the angels we praise you for ever, saying:
All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;