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Holy Eucharist at 11:00 a.m.

# The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022

## The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Andante

Saint-Saens

**214 Hymn** *Hail the day the sees him rise*

Llanfair

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People:* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

**W880 The Easter Cantic**

*Pascha Nostrum*

Sine Nomine

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;  
therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;  
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Now Christ is raised and will not die again;  
death has no more dominion over him;  
through him we die to sin and live to God.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead  
though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die,  
in Christ's new life shall all be made alive.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

### **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## The Word of God

### **The First Lesson Acts 16:16-34**

*Lector* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

*Lector* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 97** (*all chant the psalm on the following tone*)



- <sup>1</sup> The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; \*  
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- <sup>2</sup> Clouds and darkness are round about him, \*  
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- <sup>3</sup> A fire goes before him \*  
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- <sup>4</sup> His lightnings light up the world; \*  
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- <sup>5</sup> The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, \*  
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- <sup>6</sup> The heavens declare his righteousness, \*  
and all the peoples see his glory.
- <sup>7</sup> Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! \*  
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- <sup>8</sup> Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*  
because of your judgments, O LORD.
- <sup>9</sup> For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; \*  
you are exalted far above all gods.
- <sup>10</sup> The LORD loves those who hate evil; \*  
he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of  
the wicked.
- <sup>11</sup> Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*  
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, \*  
and give thanks to his holy Name.

**The Epistle    Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21**

*Lector* A reading from the book of Revelation.

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

*Lector* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God**

*The people may stand.*

## **215 Hymn**

## ***See the Conqueror mounts in triumph***

In Babilone

### **The Holy Gospel** John 17:20-26

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*The people may stand.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from 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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

Form I

*Deacon or other leader*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For this city and county, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For ***John Tolbert, Bobbie and Rendol Cobb, Julia Credle, Peggy Parker, Mary Gillam, Rita Hoggard, Daniel Perry, Steve Wilson, Betty Hayden, Bill Pridgen, Marti Tyler, Lucy Horton, Ann Cowper***, and others known to us, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of Thomas and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

***To thee, O Lord our God.***

*Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Peace**

*The Celebrant says to the people:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.** *(Please stay in your pew.)*

## **Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

**The Offertory Anthem** *The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns* Monk  
*(Please place your offering in the plate in the narthex as you enter or exit. During the anthem, the altar will be prepared for the Holy Communion.)*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

### ***Eucharistic Prayer C***

*In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.*

*The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says:* The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*



God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

***By your will they were created and have their being.***

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us.***

***By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Celebrant and People*

**S 128 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

Mathias

**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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,***

***as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

### **S154 Fraction Anthem**

*Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

***People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **Ministration of Communion**

*The bread and the wine will be offered in stations near the chancel steps. After the choir receives communion, the lectern side will receive first. Everyone should use the lectern side of the aisle going to communion; use the pulpit side of the aisle going back to your seat. We are using biodegradable cups for*

*the wine. Please pick up your own cup, step away from the table, and then deposit the cup into the trash can located in the first pew. Please let an usher know if you prefer to have communion brought to you.*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, all stand and the Celebrant says:*

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

**Loving God,**

**we give you thanks for restoring us in your image**

**and nourishing us with spiritual food**

**in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**

**Now send us forth**

**a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;**

**that we may proclaim your love to the world**

**and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.*

**719 Hymn**

***O beautiful for spacious skies***

Materna

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them*

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.***

**Postlude**

*Grazioso*

J. S. Bach

### **The Ministers of the Liturgy**

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Jim Horton

**Organist/choir director:** Tom Parker

**Lector:** Mike Spruill

**Acolyte:** Mike Spruill

**Altar Guild:** Alice Pittman, Agnes Powell, Rosanna Rhea, Marti Tyler

**Hostesses:** Della Cherry, Kristy Copeland, Nancy Spruill

**Counters:** Bob Capehart, Tra Perry

**Ushers:** Dickie Hall, Tim Ivey

**Eucharistic Minister:** Marti Tyler

## **Announcements**

The St. Thomas Church Family congratulates Annie Hayes Trowell on her graduation from Lawrence Academy on Thursday, May 26, 2022. She will continue her education at UNC-Wilmington, in the fall of 2022.

The Bell Family regrets that we are unable to host the St. Thomas Sunday School Picnic at Eden House this year. However, we look forward to welcoming the St. Thomas family for the Sunday School Picnic in June 2023.

C. B. Guess is currently working to update the Church Directory. She will be contacting church members via email. Please be on the lookout for an email from her - her email address is [edenhouse3@gmail.com](mailto:edenhouse3@gmail.com)

Don't forget to contact The Opportunity Shop for all your dry cleaning needs, 794-5595. They are using Rochelle Cleaners of Edenton.

All announcements to be included in the weekly bulletin may be sent to CB Guess at [edenhouse3@gmail.com](mailto:edenhouse3@gmail.com) by Wednesdays at noon.

To add or remove a name from the church's prayer list, please email Tom Parker at [tparker27804@aol.com](mailto:tparker27804@aol.com).

Thank you to everyone who has submitted your 2022 pledge. If you have not already done so, please consider prayerfully what God is calling you to give to St. Thomas in 2022. Pledge cards are available in the narthex and on the chest outside Cooper Hall.