

# ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Petersburg, FL



## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 16, 2022

10:00 am - Rite II

*Welcome to St. Thomas'!*

## **THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

*We come together as the new week dawns to worship God, meet in fellowship,  
and gather strength and hope for our work in the world.*

*For your convenience and use, the Book of Common Prayer is the red book in your pew racks,  
the Hymnal is the blue book, and Wonder Love and Praise is the green book.*

### **Prelude**

"There is A Balm in Gilead"  
"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

arr. Adolphus Hailstork  
arr. Lynn L. Petersen

### **The Entrance Hymn Blue Hymnal 135**

"Song of Thankfulness and Praise"

*SALZBURG*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant and People together say*

### **The Collect for Purity**

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love  
you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Hymn of Praise Blue Hymnal S280**

"Glory to God"

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**  
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people,  
illuminated by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may  
be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with  
you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching. We respond proclaiming our belief, praying for the world, and greeting one another in His Name.*

### A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 62: 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

Psalm 36: 5-10

E. F. RIMBAULT



Your love, O LORD, reaches / to the / heavens, \*  
and your / faithful/ness to the / clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like / the great / deep; \*  
you save both / man and / beast, O / LORD.

How priceless is your / love, O / God! \*  
your people take refuge under the / shadow / of your / wings.

They feast upon the abundance / of your / house; \*  
you give them drink from the / river of / your de/lights.

For with you is the / well of / life, \*  
and in / your light / we see / light.

Continue your loving-kindness to / those who / know you, \*  
and your favor to those / who are / true of / heart.



wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Celebrant      The Gospel of the Lord.  
People          **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Ryan Whitley

### **The Nicene Creed**

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### **The Prayers of the People**

*Please stand or kneel.*

Let us worship the Savior with joy and make our prayer to our heavenly Father. The magi came from the east to worship your son: Father, grant to Christians everywhere the spirit of adoration, especially to Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop, Ryan, our Priest; Martha, our Deacon; and David, our Canterbury Chaplain .

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The infant Christ received gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh: Father, accept the offering of our hearts and minds at the beginning of this year 2022.

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ: Father, grant an abundance of peace to your world. We pray especially for Joe, our President, Ron, our Governor, Ken, our Mayor, and all those in civic authority.

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The Holy Family lived in exile and in the shadow of death: Father, look in mercy on all who are poor and powerless, and all who suffer especially Mark, Lindsey, Taylor, Michael, Charlotte, Christina, Connie, Barbara, Susan, Bill, Caitlin, Russ, Chris, Kathy, David, Frank, Julia, Laurie, Geoff, Ben, Bjorn, Ursula, Dale, Kevin, Thomas, Marion, Gil, Dona, and those we now name.

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The gift of myrrh, an ointment used for anointing a dead body, foreshadowed Christ's death and resurrection. We pray for all who have died, especially John Ewing, father of Chris Ewing, that they may rest this day in peace and rise in glory.

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

Your Son shared the life of his home and family at Nazareth: Father, protect in your love our neighbors, our families and this community of which we are a part. We especially pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week, Alondra Rios, John Cartier, Lee Harvard, Jackson Ball, Tim Lowery, Pippa Mpunzwana-Hill, Don Higgins, and Tom Alison.

Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant*

Father, we rejoice in our fellowship with the shepherds, the angels, the magi, the Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph and all the faithful departed. In your unfailing love for us and for all people, hear and answer our prayers through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**The Confession of Sin and Absolution**

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*Please kneel.*

Deacon The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Savior Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

All **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.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace**

*All stand.*

Celebrant Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new. The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Community Announcements and Welcome of Visitors**

*Please be seated.*

**THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*To sustain us until he comes for the final time  
the Lord comes to us now in His sacrifice banquet and we receive Him*

**The Offertory**

Chancel Choir

*"I Believe This Is Jesus"*  
African American Spiritual

arr. Rick Smith

*I believe this is Jesus, come and see.  
The light of God shines in his face.  
He offers all his pard'ning grace.*

*Please stand.*

**The Presentation Hymn** "As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought"  
**Blue Hymnal 705**

FOREST GREEN  
Vs. 3

*With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee  
To serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.  
O thou who gavest us thyself in Jesus Christ thy Son,  
Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.*

† **The Great Thanksgiving** †

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

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**Sanctus**  
**Blue Hymnal S129**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

*After the Sanctus, the people remain standing or kneel.*

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**The Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem**  
**Green Hymnal 875**

**"Be Known to Us"**

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor or Choir' and contains the lyrics: 'Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, { in the'. The second staff is labeled 'Congregation' and contains the lyrics: 'break - ing of the bread. Be'. The music consists of simple, rhythmic patterns with a repeat sign at the end of the second staff.

*All baptized persons regardless of denomination are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you desire a blessing instead, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest. At this time communion will be the bread only.*

**Communion Music**

**Organ Improvisation**

**The Post-communion Prayer**

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*Please stand or kneel. Celebrant and People together say,*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**THE SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE**

*We go out into the world having received the Body and Blood of Christ. As our time of worship ends, our time*

**The Epiphany Blessing**

**Celebrant** May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

**People** **Amen.**

**Celebrant** May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the only begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

**People** **Amen.**

**Celebrant** May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

**People** **Amen.**

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon  
you and remain with you for ever.

People **Amen.**

**Processional Hymn**  
**Blue Hymnal 599**

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

*LIFT EVERY VOICE*

**The Dismissal**

Deacon Led on by the light of Christ, now made manifest to the world, let us go forth into the  
world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

setting by John Carter

*Please remain seated until after the Postlude (camera still rolling).*

## **Community Announcements**

### **FACEBOOK LIVE SERVICES**

Holy Eucharist, Sunday, 10 am

### **WOW, WOMEN OF THE WORD**

Thursdays at 9:15 am in the Founder's Room

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Men's Bible Study Wednesday at 7:30 am in the Founder's Room.

### **VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR**

This will be a standing weekly event on Thursdays from 6 - 7:15 pm

### **EVENING CHAPEL SERVICE**

Wednesdays at 5:15 pm

### **SUPPER, SONG, AND PRAYER**

Wednesday at 6:00 pm

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING AND CHILI COOKOFF**

January 23 following the 10am service (No 8am Service on the 23<sup>rd</sup>)

### **SACRED GROUND CIRCLE / WINTER - SPRING 2022**

Our circle is to begin on Thursday January 20, 2022, meeting every two weeks and conclude by May 19. We will meet over the lunch hour (11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.) and will likely be a hybrid approach with a combination of meeting in-person and a virtual platform.

If you are interested in participating, or have other questions, please contact Bill Barns (williambarns@cox.net) at 757.646.5146 or Misty Landers (mistylanders@gmail.com) at 479.445.8052. there is a link to register in the draft.

### **COLLAGE ART**

Parishioners and friends of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church have a creative opportunity later this month and in February. From 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Jan. 29 and Saturday, Feb. 12, artist Dee Perconti will lead collage classes in which participants will create art that depicts the Stations of the Cross. The sessions will take place in the parish hall. Completed works will be displayed along the ambulatory aisles of the nave during Lent. Classes are open to persons of all ages and abilities, including those with no artistic experience. Materials will be provided, and participants are welcome to bring additional items. Several options are available: Attend one or both sessions and work alone with a partner or in a group. The cost is a minimum suggested donation of \$10 per session per participant. All contributions benefit Rapha International, a nonprofit organization that fights exploitation and abuse of children.

For more information or to participate, please contact arts committee co-chairs Gina White, [ginawhite@yahoo.com](mailto:ginawhite@yahoo.com) or Mary Jane Park, [maryjanepark@aol.com](mailto:maryjanepark@aol.com)

To learn about Rapha International: <https://rapha.org>

**BENISON FARM**

Saturday February 22 - Tampa Bay Collard Green Festival. Come be a part of this extraordinary community festival.

If you are not receiving the weekly Draft please call or email the office to sign up.  
graces@stthomasstpete.org (727) 896-9641

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES**

Spoken Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 8:00 am  
Choral Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 10:00 am

**WEDNESDAY CHAPEL EUCHARIST**

Wednesday, 5:15 pm

**MORNING PRAYER**

Monday - Friday, Chapel 9:00 am

**OUR MISSION**

Making a difference for others, because God is making a difference for us.

**OUR VISION**

To create a safe, loving, and accepting place for all people to grow in their faith and spread love out into the beloved community.



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The Rev. Ryan R. Whitley, *Rector*

**Thanks to those who are helping today ...**

Acolytes: Colin Burkhart, Hannah Wetmore,  
Owen Landers  
Altar Guild: Susan McMullen  
Camera Operator: Matthew White  
Coffee Host: Ellen Burkhart  
Flower Guild: Marilyn Lanctot, Laura Vrooman  
Lector 10am: Toni Calabrese  
Musicians: Chancel Choir  
Oblations: Edward and Misty Landers  
Ushers: David and Jane Anne Knowlton

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Joe Master, Organist and Director of Finance  
Grace Smith, Director of Communications  
Jon Ward, Sexton

**Vestry Members**

Class of 2019-2021

Dick Nelson, Sr. Warden  
Valery Hendry, Secretary  
Dee McMahon, Jr. Warden

Class of 2020-2022

David Dreisbach  
Jay Hill, Treasurer  
Russ Martin

Class of 2021-2023

Russ Ball  
Michelle Jennings