

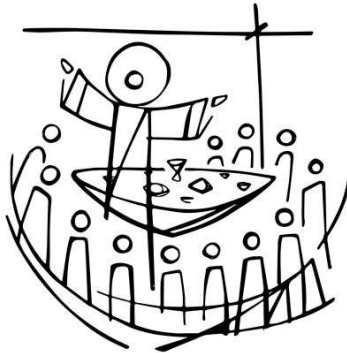


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The Order of Service *for Holy Eucharist*



"Come; for all things are now ready"

The Second Sunday after Trinity
Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 26th June 2022 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

“Come; for everything is ready now”

Reflections on Luke 14:12-24

There's something comforting and pleasant about running to an already-cooked dinner. And yet, in the story Jesus told, the invited guests didn't come running when they heard the slave's 'gong': 'Come; for everything is ready now.'

Many preachers assume this is a parable about the 'great dinner' God will host in a heavenly realm at the end of time. They warn those outside the church not to reject God's invitation. When told this way, those of us in the church assume we're okay, and that this parable doesn't apply to us. Are you ready for the challenge?

At some point during the meal Jesus had said to his host, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.' Jesus' words redefined what it means to be blessed (giving generously to those in need rather than receiving good stuff for yourself), and redefined what God's kingdom is like (a present reality to be lived now on earth and not merely a distant one).

The message for us is to be like the master in the parable and repent; experience the same transformation of heart. Who are you in this story? Are you called to repentance, to make the same change as the 'certain man'? Or, like the slave, do you need to find your voice and speak up for those who can't speak for themselves, giving them assurance of hope and possibilities?

Regardless, the dinner gong rings for all of us: Come, for everything is ready. Amen.

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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Andante tranquillo

C. V. Stanford, *Op. 101 No. 4* (1852 - 1924)

“Ach Gott und Herr” (My Lord and God)

J. S. Bach, BWV 693 (1685 - 1750)

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Welcome

Introit

Sung by the choir

Be still,
for the presence of the Lord
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear:
In Him no sin is found –
we stand on Holy ground
Be still,
for the presence of the Lord
the Holy One, is here.

David J. Evans (b. 1957)

All STAND

Opening Acclamation

Led by the Presbyter from the West Door

Presbyter

The Spirit is here,
inviting us to worship.
The Spirit is here,
in each of our lives.

All

Continued. Turn over.

The Spirit is here,
in our gathered community.
May we be always ready and willing to accept
whatever you seek of us.
**Give us the vision to see only you and your great
banquet table.**

All join in singing the hymn.

Hymn at the Procession | # 199

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Tune: ST. DENIO

*Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper
in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers).
The hymns can be found in the **English Hymnal**.*

All say together

The Collect for Purity | **page 350**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the day | **page 522**

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | **page 522**

A reading from the Book of Genesis
chapter 12. 1 - 4

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Sung by the choir to a chant by Nares

Psalm 119 v.v. 9 - 16 • *In quo corriget?*

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way : even by ruling himself
after thy word.

¹⁰ With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not go wrong out
of thy commandments.

¹¹ Thy words have I hid within my heart : that I should not sin against
thee.

¹² Blessed art thou, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.

¹³ With my lips have I been telling : of all the judgements of thy mouth.

¹⁴ I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies : as in all
manner of riches.

¹⁵ I will talk of thy commandments : and have respect unto thy ways.

¹⁶ My delight shall be in thy statutes : and I will not forget thy word.

All STAND *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.*

Please be seated

The Epistle | page 522

A reading from the First Letter of St John
Chapter 3. 13 - 24

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All STAND and join in singing

Gradual Hymn | # 259

My God, and is thy table spread

Tune: ROCKINGHAM

Remaing standing for the Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St Luke 14. 16 - 24

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
All **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

*Remain **STANDING**, all reciting the Creed*

*Please be **SEATED***

Sermon
The Revd Avinash Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*All **STAND***

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Celebrant Jesus said:
 'Love one another.
 As I have loved you,
 so you are to love one another.'
 The peace of Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

Preparation of the Table

*At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral.
Thank you for your generosity.*

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory

**Lord, how large thy bounties are,
Tender, gracious, sinner's friend!
What a feast dost thou prepare,
And what invitations send:
Now fulfill thy great design,
Who didst first the message bring,
Every heart to thee incline,
Now compel them to come in.**

**² Rushing on the downward road,
Sinners no compulsion need,
Glory to forsake, and God,
See they run with rapid speed:
Draw them back by love divine,
With Thy grace their spirits win,
Every heart to thee incline,
Now compel them to come in.**

**³ Thus their willing souls compel,
Thus their happy minds constrain
From the ways of death and hell,
Home to God, and grace again;
Stretch that conquering arm of thine,
Once outstretch'd to bleed for sin;
Every heart to thee incline,
Now compel them to come in.**

Words: Based on Luke 14:22

Tune: HOLLINGSIDE
J. B. Dykes (1823 - 76)

All say

Offertory Prayer | **page 357**

Please be seated

All sing

Invocation

**Jesus, the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see
And in thy presence rest.**

Words: Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 - 1153)

Tune: ST AGNES
J. B. Dykes (1823 - 76)

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving
make our requests to God.
Gracious God,
we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout
the world.
We pray for the honouring of human rights,
and for the relief of the oppressed.
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men,
women and children.

All

We pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and
service. We pray for Prem Chand our Moderator,
Dharmaraj the Moderator of the Church of South India,
Theodosius Mar Thoma, the Metropolitan of the Mar
Thoma Church, Prakash our Bishop and Avinash our
Presbyter and for the life of this Cathedral and Diocese.

We give thanks for the gift of your word,
the grace of the sacraments
and the fellowship of your people.

We pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for the stability of our State Government and all
elected representative in the State Assembly.

We pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for this local community
and for all people in their daily life and work.
We pray for the young and the elderly,
for families, and all who are alone.
We give thanks for human skill and creativity
and all that reveals your loveliness

We pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for those who are in need;
for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved.

We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.

We give thanks for human love and friendship
and for all that enriches our daily lives.

We pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, we are grateful for our salvation today.

As we are reminded in the words of the parable of
the Great Banquet, don't let complacency or comfort dull our
gratitude for the amazing love you demonstrated
through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

We pray that we avoid ingratitude.

Help us understand that we are the poor and needy that you have
chosen for the life-giving banquet.

We pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Amen.

The Preparation for Communion | *page 361*

The Consecration | *page 363*

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While seated, we sing

Hymn at the Communion | **# 246**

Just as I am

Tune: WOODWORTH
William Bradbury (1816 - 1868)

The Thanksgiving | *page 371*

All STAND and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 371*

The Blessing

The Presbyter You are called and loved by God the Father
and kept safe by Jesus Christ.
Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance,
† And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

All join in singing

Sent forth by God's blessing

Hymn at the Closing | # 510

Tune: THE ASH GROVE

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Trumpet tune on 'Ash Grove'

David Lasky (b. 1957)

Birthdays this week

*The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and
be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

Numbers 6. 24 - 26

Daniel Phillips (26), Laukik Telgote (26), Avani Sudhakar (27),
Tara Chacko (28), Reena Pasgon (28), Ashok Joshi (29)

Prayer Requests & Announcements

Your prayers are requested for...

- † peace among countries; especially for an end to the long-drawn out conflict between Russia and Ukraine.
- † an end to the financial crises in Sri Lanka.
- † the containment and management of COVID cases in the city and state.
- † all senior citizens in our congregation and their care givers.
- † the children and teachers of the Sunday school as they resume classes.
- † in the Diocese, St Paul's Church (Tamil congregation), Dombivili and the Revd Ananda Maharajan.
- † the *Church of North India's* Diocese of Bombay and the Rt Revd Prakash Patole, all clergy, diocesan office bearers, diocesan institutions and laity.
- † the *Church of South India's* Diocese of Karimnagar (Telangana) and the Rt Revd Reuben Mark.
- † in the *Anglican Communion*, the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan and the Most Revd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo.

- The **Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS)** will have their annual general body meeting today after the 8.45 a.m. service.
- The baptism of Shalom Daniel Pandian (son of Meagan and Vijay Pandian) will be held next Sunday (3rd July 2022). Pray for Shalom, his parents and his grand parents.
- The marriage of Ankith Shanth Kumar (son of Ramani and Shanth Kumar) and Akanksha was conducted on 24th June 2022. As the cathedral congregation we uphold the couple and the two families in our prayers.
- Use this service bulletin to reflect on the readings and prayers in your family devotions. Kindly take your copy home with you.
- Contributing towards flowers in the sanctuary is a beautiful way to remember loved ones and give thanks for blessings. You can approach the Presbyterian if you would like to do so.

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St Peter, Apostle & Martyr

29th June

O ALMIGHTY God,
who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give
to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts,
and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock:
Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors
diligently to preach thy holy Word,
and the people obediently to follow the same,
that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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