

The Order of Service for Holy Eucharist



God bless our motherland Celebrating 75 years of freedom 15th August is Independence Day

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 14th August 2022 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high, where knowledge is free.

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls.

Where words come out from the depth of truth,

where tireless striving stretches its arms toward perfection.

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way

into the dreary desert sand of dead habit.

Where the mind is led forward by thee

into ever widening thought and action.

In to that heaven of freedom, my father,

LET MY COUNTRY AWAKE!"

Rabindranath Tagore (1861 - 1941)

Do not leave this service booklet behind. Take it home with you to reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.



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Order of Service

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

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude & Fugue in d minor Adagio in E major J. S. Bach, *BWV 554* (1685 - 1750) Frank Bridge (1879 - 1941)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit
Sung by the choir

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above, entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test, that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; the love that never falters, the love that pays the price, the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

Words: Cecil Spring-Rice (1859 - 1918)

Tune: THAXTED from 'The Planets' Gustav Holst, (1874 - 1934)

All STAND

Call to Worship

Led by the Presbyter from the West Door

Presbyter All Freedom is coming!

We can hear it in the voices of the oppressed.

Hope is coming!

We can see it in the eyes of all those who despair.

God is here!

We count on God's presence with us, to guide, heal and uplift our spirits.

Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ our country bless
With grace and favour from above
From Comorin's point to Everest peak
As we stand free before the world.

- The triple hues upon our flag
 Ape joyous tints of morning dawn.
 The white is light of morning air.
 The green is strength of life new born.
- ³ Saffron for sacrifice in need In every word and thought and deed Faith of our land glows in our hearts That we to evil ne'er may yield.
- ⁴ Guard and protect our shores from harm Bless all our soldiers and bravehearts May every farm with harvest blessed And may we always learn to share.
- ⁵ Keep us united in Thy love Let every strife and discord cease We ask for God's protecting hand And blessings on our motherland.

Words: Unknown, adpated

Tune: TRURO # 143

Melody from T. William's Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789

Please be **SEATED**

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 **Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard**.

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 350

The Liturgy of the Word

Collect for Independence Day

I 5th August Read by the Presbyter

LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom:

Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for the Day | page 536

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | page 536 Numbers 10. 35, 36 & 11. 1 - 3

A reading from the Book of Numbers

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104 All sing the response

Response Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Praise the Lord O my soul, O Lord God, your glory is great: How manifold are your works, In wisdom you have made them all.

Continued

- ² All creatures look to you,
 To give them their food to eat:
 When you open your hand, they are filled with good,
 When you hide your face, they pine away.
- When you take away their breath they die, And return to the earth whence they came: When you send forth your spirit, all things spring to life, And the face of the earth is renewed.
- The glory of the Lord shall never cease,
 The Lord shall rejoice in all his works:
 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
 I will praise my God while my breath remains.

Response Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

The Epistle | page 536

I Corinthians 10. I - 13

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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 | # 361

For the healing of the nations

The Gospel of Christ | page 537

St Luke 15. 11 - 32

Tune: TANTUM FRGO

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you. *cf | Peter | 1.25* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.**

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

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

The Nicene Creed | Page 354

Please be SEATED Sermon

The Revd Avinash Rangayya

Dedication of the Pastorate Committee

Members of the Pastorate Committee of the Cathedral

The Revd Avinash Rangayya (The Presbyter)

Mr. Premanand Telgote (Secretary), Mr. Gladston Somervel (Treasurer),

Mrs Jaisy Desai (WFCS), Mrs. Uma Moses (Sunday school),

Mr. Joy Moses (Youth Fellowship), Deacon Paul George, Mr. P.V. George,

Mr. Samuel Joseph, Mr. Suresh Patil, Mr. Nishanth Daniel,

Dr. Kamal Jadhav, Mrs. Archana Magar,

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All STAND The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Celebrant Let us greet one another as forgiven sinners

with the peace of Christ.

The peace of the 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

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

² 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
 I have already come;
 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
 And grace will lead me home.

 When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
 We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

Words: John Newton (1725 - 1807)

Tune: NEW BRITAIN Early American melody

All say

Offertory Prayer | page 357

Please be seated

Song Sung by the choir

"Hymn to Freedom"

When every heart joins every heart and together yearns for liberty, that's when we'll be free.

When every hand joins every hand and together moulds our destiny, that's when we'll be free.

Any hour any day, the time soon will come when men will live in dignity, that's when we'll be free.

When every man joins in our song and together singing harmony, that's when we'll be free.

Words: Harriette Hamilton Music: Oscar Peterson (1925 - 2007)

Prayers for our Country

Intercessor

As we remember the birth of our nation on 15th August and the gifts of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, let us offer our thanks and prayers to God, the giver of all good gifts.

For all the people who inhabit this land. For our rich culture and diversity.

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We thank you Lord.

For the founding fathers of our nation, who dreamed of, and fought for, a free nation,

We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our democracy, and who pledged liberty and justice for all,

We thank you Lord.

For those who built this country brick by brick, road by road, and town by town,

We thank you Lord.

For the brave soldiers who have fought for our country, for all who paid for our freedom by their service, and those who paid by their sacrifice,

We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers,

farmers and factory workers;

for all who labour and provide for the common good,

We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys, coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,

We thank you Lord.

For our own community, for those who came before us in this place, and for our neighbours near and far,

We thank you Lord.

Lord, we pray for India, that we might always be a nation which defends and promotes liberty and freedom, truth and justice.

We pray to you Lord.

That we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and pray,

We pray to you Lord.

That we might be a beacon of freedom to all those who live under the shadow of terror and hopelessness,

We pray to you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead, would be guided by you, and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them.

We pray for the Chief Justice of India, the President, the Prime Minister, the Governor and the Chief Minister of our State,

We pray to you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins, and who always return to you and to your grace,

We pray to you Lord.

Gracious God, Father of all nations, bless and defend us and our land; prosper the work of our hands, and increase in us your grace and compassion, and our offerings of thanks to you, our rock and our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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While seated, we sing Hymn at the Communion | # 261

Once, only once, and once for all

Tune: ALBANO

The Thanksgiving | page 371

Gloria in Excelsis | page 371

All **STAND** and sing

The Presbyter

Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. † 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

Song at the Closing

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome, some day.

Oh, deep in my heart I do believe that we shall overcome, some day.

² We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, some day.
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe that we'll walk hand in hand some day.

³ We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, some day.
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe that we shall live in peace, some day.

We are not afraid, we are not afraid, we are not afraid, today.
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe

Oh, deep in my heart I do believe that we shall overcome, some day.

Musical and Iyrical adaptation by Zilphia Horton, Frank Hamilton, Guy Carawan & Pete Seeger

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

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

Postlude

Toccata in G Major

Théodore Dubois (1837 - 1924)

The postlude this morning is played by a visiting organist, Mr. Atul Jacob Isaac. Atul is one of the organists at St Andrew's Church (the Kirk), Chennai. He teaches music in the American International School in Chennai.

Birthdays this week

"For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life."

Proverbs 9:11

Malika Khan (14), Rekha Joshi (16), Leena Phillips (16), Sahiesh Ravichandran (16), Henry Joseph (18), Abraham Jacob (19), Supriya Telgote (19), Sudheer Deekollu (20)

Wedding Anniversaries

"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity."

Colossians 3:14

Meera & Sudhir Issacs (2) Moushumi & Suganth Samuel (17), Supriya & Nishanth Daniel (18)

Notices

- A Bible quiz will be conducted by the Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS) on Sunday 28th August 2022 on the Gospel of St Luke at 10:45 am.
- Diocesan Women's Fellowship for Christian Service will conduct their Triennial meeting on 27th August 2022 at the Church of the Holy Redeemer at 9.30 a.m.
- The baptism of Olivia Anna Joseph (daughter of Ria & Joseph Lonappan) will take place on Sunday 28th August 2022.

Pray with us

† THE WORLD For easing of tensions between the US and China over Taiwan. † OUR COUNTRY We give thanks for all who fought for the freedom of our country. Pray for all marginalised sections of society. May we uphold our constitutional liberties.

† THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH The Extra-Provincial Churches (Bermuda, Ceylon, the Lusitanian Church, Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain, the Falkland Islands). These churches come directly under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

† THE CHURCH IN INDIA The Diocese of Durgapur and the Rt Revd Sameer Khimla • The Diocese of Madhya (Central) Kerala and the Rt Revd Malayil Cherian. † THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY Pray for a resolution to the situation in the Diocese.

• The Cathedral and the ministry of Revd Avinash Rangayya.

† OUR CATHEDRAL For the members of the Pastorate Committee. May they faithfully carry out their duties. For God's comforting presence with all senior citizens. Pray for restoration of good health to Mrs. Rajathi Moses and Ms. Zenobia Surveyor.

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