



St. Thomas' CATHEDRAL

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The Church of North India*

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TEXT FOR THE DAY

*The Lord had said to Abram,
“Go from your country, your people and your father’s household
to the land I will show you.”*

God promises Abraham that he would be the father of a large nation. Through Abraham and Sarah all the families of the earth shall be blessed. They will have an impact on people everywhere. So how does Abraham respond? Abraham and Sarah believed God’s promise, so Abraham and Sarah went.

At the heart of Genesis 12 is the theme of journey which will form a central part of Israel’s identity as a people on the move. Genesis 12:1- 4 speaks a powerful word today in those instances when we are called to leave all that is known behind; to depart on a journey without a map. The journey may be long, sometimes much longer than one may have thought. It is a journey with many ups and downs, many joys and sorrows. But it is a journey filled with many, many promises—the most important being the promise of God’s presence to show us the way.

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist † Sunday 18th June 2023 • 8.45 a.m.

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

We are the mother church of the Diocese of Bombay in the Church of North India, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 300 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

The basis for our worship is the *Book of Common Prayer*, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

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



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Order of Service

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

The Gathering

Voluntary

Andante tranquillo, Op. 65 No. 3 Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Sung by the choir

The God of Abraham praise,
Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of love;
To him uplift your voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise, and seek the joys
At his right hand.

Words: T. Olivers (1725 - 99)
Based on the Yigdal

Tune: LEONI
Adapted from a Hebrew melody

All stand and face the West Door

Opening Acclamation

The Presbyter
All

Come, all who need help!
**Our help comes from God,
the one who made heaven and earth.**
Come, all who desire blessing!
**Our blessing comes from God,
the God of Abraham, the God of the ages.**
Come, all who long for salvation!
**Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ,
the one sent by God to save the world.**

All sing

The Entrance Hymn | # 407

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Tune: ST. DENIO

All sit

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 260

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | page 451

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | page 451

Genesis 12: 1 - 4

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Sung by the choir to a chant by Nares

Psalm 119:9 - 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.

All sit

The Epistle | **page 451**

1 St. John 3:13 - 24

A reading from the first letter of John.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing

Gradual Hymn

**When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.**

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

² **Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.**

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

Continued. Turn over.

**3 Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.**

***Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.***

Words: John H. Sammis (1846 - 1919)

Tune: TRUST & OBEY
Daniel Towner (1850 - 1919)

Remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed

The Gospel of Christ | page 452

St. Luke 14:16 - 24

A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia, Gospeller

A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia!

The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to 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 for the Creed, all reciting together

The Nicene Creed | page 265

All sit

Sermon

The Reverend Avinash Rangayya

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 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

The altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine.

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 | # 502

Through all the changing scenes of life

Tune: WILTSHIRE

See inside front cover for bank details to make your offering.

All say

Offertory Prayer | **page 270**

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Prayers of the People

Commemorating Father's Day

Intercessor

Blessed are you Lord our God,
creator and redeemer of all;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

All

Blessed be God for ever.

You father us from all eternity giving life to creation
and pouring your love into all you have made.

Blessed be God for ever.

From the beginning we have known you as 'Father',
and all our families have their origin in you.

Blessed be God for ever.

Through the love of earthly fathers
you give us a glimpse of your everlasting love.
Their guidance and wisdom reveal to us
the eternal life of heaven.

Blessed be God for ever.

In following their example we become more like you,
growing into the people your heart longs for us to be.

Blessed be God for ever.

May the love of our fathers draw us ever nearer to you
and perfect in us the image of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Presbyter

Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless *all fathers*

as they care for their families.

Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;

support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,

as we look to you for love and salvation,

through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. **Amen.**

The General Confession & Absolution | *page 275, 276*

The Consecration | *page 277*

The Communion | *page 284*

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

During the administration of Communion, while seated we sing

Hymn

**Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his voice invites me,
saying "Christian, follow me!"**

**²As the first disciples heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.**

**³Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying "Christian, love me more."**

**⁴In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."**

**⁵Jesus calls us! In your mercy,
Saviour, help us hear your call;
give our hearts to your obedience,
serve and love you best of all!**

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818 - 1895)

Tune: GALILEE
William H. Jude (1851 - 1922)

All stand and sing

The Blessing

Presbyter

The Lord God almighty is our Father:

All

He loves us and tenderly cares for us.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our Saviour:

He has redeemed us and will defend us to the end.

The Lord, the Holy Spirit is among us:

He will lead us in God's holy way.

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

Hymn at the Closing | # 397

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

The Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Presbyter

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Con moto maestoso, *Op. 65 No. 3* Felix Mendelssohn

Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee.
Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.

Birthdays this Week

*“You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.”*

Psalm 16:11

Sheila Paul (18), Shashikant Salvi (19),
Mani Thomas (21), Gladston Somervel (21), Susy Thomas (22)

Notices

- Jayden Knox (son of Jai and Aradhna Knox) will be baptised next Sunday (25th June 2023)



Contributing towards flowers in the sanctuary is a beautiful way to remember loved ones and give thanks for blessings. You can approach the Presbyter if you would like to do so.

Blessed are you, creator of all,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As your dawn renews the face of the earth
bringing light and life to all creation,
may we rejoice in this day you have made;
as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,
open our eyes to behold your presence
and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Our thoughts and prayers for peace and stability go out to people of the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, impacted by landslides, conflicts which have closed many schools, and human rights violations by armed groups • For a peaceful resolution to the long-drawn out conflict between Ukraine and Russia.

† **OUR COUNTRY** Pray for all affected by Cyclone Biparjoy • For a peaceful solution to the ongoing conflict in Manipur. For the safety and well-being of Christians in the state • Continue to pray for the recovery and rehabilitation of the many injured in the train accident earlier this month. For God's comforting presence with those who grieve the loss of their loved ones.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** With the Church universal we give thanks for John the Baptist, the forerunner of Christ (24th June) • Aaron of Tranquebar (24th June). When the first Protestant mission in India opened a school in his neighbourhood, Aaron was one of the first students at the school to learn from Tamil books printed by the Tranquebar Lutheran Mission. In 1718 he travelled to Tranquebar where he was baptised and Christened 'Aaron' by Bartholomaeus Ziegenbaig a pioneer of Protestant missionary activity in India. Aaron was ordained as a minister on 20th December, 1733. • In the the Anglican Communion for the Church of Australia and the Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith

THE CHURCH IN INDIA For the Church of North India's Diocese of Kolhapur and the Moderator's Commissary the Reverend Shrinivas Chopade • For the Church of South India's Diocese of Nandyal and the Right Reverend Pushpa Lalitha.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** For Bombay Telugu Church, Mazagaon and the Reverend Joel Amruthraj • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in providing leadership for the Diocese.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For all senior citizens and their care providers • For the ministry of the Cathedral's Women's Fellowship for Christian Service • For pupils and teachers as they prepare for the beginning of a new academic year.

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