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TEXT FOR THE DAY

Faith Without Works is Dead: |ames 2:14

Our faith must actually move our hands, feet, minds, and bodies to demonstrate the character and kingdom of God. We serve the poor, we fight oppression, we feed the hungry, we invite people in our homes, we encourage one another with words, we love our neighbours. We pick up our crosses and follow Jesus.

Let's not be known for mere mental assent like the demons or many of the Pharisees. Let's not be known for only impeccable theology but fail to love our neighbour.

Let's be known as people who believe God, love Him, and relentlessly love our neighbour.

That is true faith.

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist † Sunday 3rd September 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 *Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard*



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Order of Service

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

The Gathering

Music before the Service

Air Samuel Wesley (1810 - 1876)

Prelude & Fugue in B flat Major, BWV 560 ... Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

Introit
Sung by the choir

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in His justice, which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.

There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head. There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, we should take Him at His word; and our lives would be all gladness in the joy of Christ our Lord.

Words: Frederick W. Faber (1814 - 1863)

Tune: CORVEDALE
Maurice Bevan (1921 - 2006)

All stand and face the West Door.

Call to Worship

The Presbyter

We gather to give our hearts and lives to God.

AII

May our faith be expressed in word and action.

We seek to love God and love our neighbour.

May our love be expressed in word and action.

All sing

The Entrance Hymn | # 204

Let us, with a gladsome mind

Tune: MONKLAND

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 260

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | page 479

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | page 479

Leviticus 19:13 - 18

A reading from the Book of Leviticus.

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 J. Turle

119:97 - 104

Quomodo dilexi!

LORD, what love have I unto thy law: all the day long is my study in it.

⁹⁸ Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

⁹⁹ I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.

- $^{\rm 100}$ I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.
- ¹⁰¹ I have refrained my feet from every evil way: that I may keep thy word.
- ¹⁰² I have not shrunk from thy judgements: for thou teachest me.
- ¹⁰³ O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.
- ¹⁰⁴ Through thy commandments I get understanding: therefore I hate all evil ways.

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 480

St. James 2:14 - 18

A reading from the letter of James.

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

All Thanks be to God.

All stand and sing.

Gradual Hymn |#374

Help us to help each other Lord

Tune: BELMONT

Remain standing for the Gospel.

The Gospel of Christ | page 480

St. Luke 10:23 - 37

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

God is love;

let us love one another as God has loved us.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

The Gospeller
All
The Lord be with you.
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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant As we are forgiven and reconciled to God

through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to each other.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another. Remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.

Hymn at the Offertory

At this time the altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

Refrain Trust and obey, for there's no other way

to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

- ² Not a shadow can rise, not a clnoud in the skies, but his smile quickly drives it away; not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.
- ³ 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 nor a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.
- ⁴ But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favour he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.

Words: John H. Sammis (1846 - 1919)

Tune: TRUST AND OBEY Daniel B. Towner (1850 - 1919)

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All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Intercession | page 270

Intercessor

Living Lord,

we give you thanks for your love and grace

which guide and protect us. We ask your blessing upon all.

Lord of life,

ΑII

help us to trust and follow you.

Gracious God,

you never stop loving us. Your Word teaches us that

we are made in your image and likeness.

Guide the Church to live and preach that truth.

Lord of life,

help us to trust and follow you.

Intercessor

Loving God,

there are many in our world who suffer, many who are fearful and living in places of violence and war.

We pray for all who work for justice and truth, for peace and reconciliation.

Lord of life,

help us to trust and follow you.

Bring healing Lord,
to all those in our world who are anxious,
depressed, and lonely.
We pray especially for all those
struggling with increasing costs of living,
those seeking employment,
and those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
Lord of life.

help us to trust and follow you.

God of love,

may we always see the world through the eyes of the Good Samaritan and be filled with your deep compassion.

Merciful Father

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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 |# 246

Just as I am, without one plea

Tune: WOODWARD

The Thanksgiving | page 287

All stand and sing.

Gloria in Excelsis | page 288

The Blessing

The Presbyter

Show us, O Lord what it means to live in a

community of faith.

You call us to care for the poor

and those in need.

You remind us that a living faith

includes faithful actions and deeds.

Deepen our faith and strengthen our works.

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 |#510

Sent forth by God's blessing

Tune: THE ASH GROVE

From the West Door the Presbyter says

The Dismissal

Presbyter

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ΑII

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Trumpet tune on 'Ash Grove' David Lasky (b. 1957)

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

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

Kriya Pastala (5), Divyal Salvi (5), Sanjana Deekollu (6), Paul George (9), Vivek John (9)



The flowers in the sanctuary are placed in loving memory of Mrs. Padma Solomonraj

Notices

- There will be an organ recital this coming Saturday 9th September 2023 at 7 p.m. here in the Cathedral. The recitalist is Dr Joy-Leilani Garbutt from San Francisco, USA. You are most welcome to attend and spread the word.
- The **annual general body meeting** of the church is scheduled for 17th September 2023 at 10:30am. The agenda & voters' list draft is displayed on the notice board.
- **Stewardship Sunday** will be observed on 24th September 2023.
- **Bible quiz** on Sunday 24th September 2023 from 10.45 a.m. to 11.15 a.m. MCQs from the Book of Jonah and the Epistle of James (New King James version).
- A day-long retreat is being organised by the Cathedral's Women's Fellowship for Christian Service on Monday 2nd October (Gandhi Jayanthi). The tentative venue is the Bombay YMCA International House, Mumbai Central.
- We are fortunate to have a few men join the choir. More soprano and alto singers are still needed. Practices for Christmas services will begin shortly, so this would be the ideal time to audition.

	Cathedral ministries	Get involved!
	Sunday School	Sunday morning during term time
	Women's Fellowship	2 nd Sunday of the month 10.45 am
	Youth Fellowship	2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month 10.45 am
	• Choir	Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday
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† **THE WORLD** As this week marked the 60th anniversary of Martin Luther King's "I have a dream speech", we pray for continuing progress towards equality in all countries. We pray for people in Chile who are relatives and friends of those who 'disappeared' 50 years ago under authoritarian rule, that answers about their fate might bring them peace.

† **OUR COUNTRY** The birth anniversary on 5th September of India's 'Philosopher President', Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, is observed as Teacher's Day. We give thanks to God for all teachers • We pray for restoration of peace in Manipur.

† THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH The Martyrs of New Guinea were eight Anglican clergy, teachers and medical missionaries killed by the Japanese in 1942 They are commemorated by the Church on 2nd September • For the Anglican Communion - The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean and the most Revd James Wong • The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on 8th September:

O merciful God, grant that by the incarnation of Thy dear Son we may indeed be made nigh unto him; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

† THE CHURCH IN INDIA The Indian Christian missionary Sadhu Sundar Singh (1889 - 1929) is commemorated today. The life of Sadhu Sundar Singh was most remarkable in its Christ-likeness. Sundar took the saffron robes of a sadhu and began a life of spreading the simple message of love and peace and rebirth through Jesus. He carried no money or other possessions, only a New Testament. He travelled all over India and Tibet, as well as the rest of the world. Many people said, "He not only looks like Jesus, he talks like Jesus must have talked." His talks and his personal speech were informed by his habitual early morning meditation, especially on the gospels. He was welcomed by Christians of many traditions, and his words searched the hearts of people who now faced the aftermath of World War I. In 1929, against all his friends' advice, Singh determined to make one last journey to Tibet. He was last seen on the 18th of April 1929 setting off on this journey. Sadhu Sundar Singh is treasured by many as a formative figure in the development of the Christian Church in India • The Diocese of Agra and the Right Reverend Dr. Prakash Habil The Diocese of Madhya (Central) Kerala and the Right Reverend Dr. Malayil Sabu Koshy Cherian

† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY The Church of the Holy Redeemer, Dadar and the Reverend Shimon Samuel • Our prayers continue for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to provide pastoral leadership to the Diocese of Bombay.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** All senior citizens and those who are unwell. Pray for all care providers • This week for the many toursits who visit the Cathedral.

ORGAN RECITAL

Saturday 9th September 2023 at 7 p.m.

by Dr. Joy-Leilani Garbutt
on the organ of
St. Thomas's Cathedral, Mumbai





Dr Joy-Leilani Garbutt is an organist, musicologist, and an ardent advocate for gender-equity in the field of music. She is the co-founder of Boulanger Initiative, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting music composed by women through performance, education, and commissions.

Joy currently serves as the Director of Music at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, San Francisco. In addition to solo recitals throughout the U.S. and France, Joy-Leilani has performed with the New England Youth Ensemble in Australia, England, New Zealand, Mexico, and South Africa.

The recital will feature works by women composers such as Cécile Chaminade, Elsa Barraine, Jeanne Demessieux and Mel Bonis.

Joy will play the Cathedral's digital classical organ *Content D6800* (imported from the Netherlands in 2008, a generous gift by the late Mr.T.Thomas.)

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