

St. Thomas Memorial Church
The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost:
Proper 7
The Holy Eucharist – Rite 2
June 21, 2026



BEFORE WORSHIP: Please remember that many use the time before the first hymn quietly to pray and to prepare themselves for worship. If you need to speak to someone when you come into church then please do so in soft voices so as not to disturb those around you who may be praying.

Prelude

“Aria”

Domenico Zipoli

Processional Hymn #564 “He who would valiant be”

Starting on Pg. 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Prayer 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.

Gloria—Hymn #S-236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you, for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you, in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Priest Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

The Reading of God’s Word

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 20:7-13

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 69:8-11, [12-17], 18-20

The Second Lesson: Romans 6:1b-11

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

Hymn “I have decided to follow Jesus”

I have decided to follow Jesus. I have decided to follow Jesus.
I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back, no turning back.

Though no one join me, still I will follow. Though no one join me, still I will follow.
Though no one join me, still I will follow. No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me. The world behind me, the cross before me.
The world behind me, the cross before me. No turning back, no turning back.
Indian folk Melody CCLI #940217

Before the Gospel

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*
The Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

After the Gospel

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

Sermon.....The Rev. Daniel J. Isadore

The Nicene Creed (Pg. 358, BCP)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People, Form V (Pg. 389, BCP)

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy”

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Priests and for all bishops, especially Ketlen Solak, and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Outreach Ministries and Shepherd’s Heart and our Eucharistic ministry, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Pittsburgh Diocese, especially Sheldon Calvary Camp, the Reverend Leslie Reimer, Tim Green, and the summer staff and campers, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for those who are absent], that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Theresa McClain, Chase Eber, Alex Mysels, Allison Pierce, June Ferguson, Kayla Almada, and Jill Fusaro, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are celebrating their anniversaries this week, especially Ted & Shahnaz Denlinger, and Brad & Andrea Krushinski, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Thomas and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

(Concluding prayer read by the celebrant.)

The Confession (Pg. 360, BCP)

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

The Absolution

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

A Prayer for Father's Day

Almighty God, you are the Father of all creation and your son, our Lord Jesus Christ, taught us to pray to you as our loving father. Bless human fathers, we pray, that they may reflect most clearly your perfect love. Grant them selflessness and patience and steadfast

faithfulness, that through our experience of their love we may see yours, O Father, who with the Son and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns forever. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

“Parting Friends” by John J. Hicks
“Wayfaring Stranger” American Folk/Gospel
Offered by Sara Gildersleeve and Doug Brannock

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Offering of Bread, Wine and Alms
The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer C (Pg. 369, BCP)

Priest The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People *We lift them to the Lord.*
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

God of all power...you are worthy of praise.

Glory to you forever and ever.

At your command...and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements...and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again...to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By His blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Therefore, we praise you...to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Hymnal S-130 —Holy, holy, holy Lord

Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest; Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues page 371, BCP

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by Him...to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our fathers...that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises...from generation to generation. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,...for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

Hymn S-164—Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

(All baptized persons are welcome to receive the sacrament at our altar rail.)

Communion Hymn #654 “Day by day, dear Lord”

Hymn “How deep the Father’s love for us”

How deep the Father’s love for us, How vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son, to make a wretch his treasure?

How great the pain of searing loss? The Father turns his face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen One, Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulders,
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held him there, until it was accomplished.

His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom,

but I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer.

But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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After Communion the Priest says

Let us pray.

Priest and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #530 “Spread, O spread, thou mighty Word”

The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Postlude

“Voluntary in E Minor”

John Stanley

We at St. Thomas, members of the Body of Christ, are called by God to Grow;
Spiritually, in Parish Life, in Community Life, and as a Congregation.

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NV = Non-voting member

UPCOMING / ONGOING EVENTS:

Monday—Thursday 9 am Morning Prayer in the Thomas House Chapel

Tuesdays at 11 am Bible Study in the Guild Room

Wednesdays at 10 am Healing Eucharist Service in the Thomas House Chapel

Sundays at 9:30 Adult Sunday School in the Guild Room

** On Wednesday, June 24, St. Thomas Church takes its turn to provide the community dinner held monthly at the Verona Methodist Church, from 4:30-6:30pm. This is a meal provided especially for low income older adults, often with health screenings or with access to a clothing cupboard. Kate Westermann is coordinating this outreach. If you would like to help serve for any part of this meal then please contact Kate.

** The annual St. Thomas Independence Day cookout hosted by the Fischer family will be held on Sunday, July 5. Please bring a side or dessert to share.

** Fr. Murph's retirement luncheon will be held on Sunday, July 12 following the 10:30 service. If you have not already done so, please RSVP to the office at sttomoakmont@gmail.com or 412-828-9680.

** As part of entering into a time of transition, with the retirement of Fr. Murph as rector of St. Thomas Church, the vestry is inviting all parishioners to a season of prayer for God's future for our parish. Most vestry members will host or lead prayer groups over the next couple months to pray for our church, for guidance and discernment that we might identify who and what kind of leader God wants for the future of our parish. Small groups will meet for about an hour every two weeks to discuss and pray together. The answers to these prayers will be brought back to a plenary meeting to be discerned and used in the search. This prayer season will begin after Fr. Murph's last Sunday, July 12, so please contact a vestry member or sign up in the parish hall or call the church office if you are willing to participate. (There will be zoom-accessible groups for those unable to travel)

Participants for this service:

Acolytes: Richard Williams, Chase Eber

First Lesson: Jon Dailey

Psalm: Pam Derby

Second Lesson: Julie King

Leader, Prayers of the People: Lawrence Miguez

Verger: R.J. King

Ushers: Lawrence Miguez, Dave Eber

Coffee Hour Hosts: The St. Thomas Men's Group

Last week's attendance: 8:00: 29

10:30: 45

Total Donations: \$1,699.00