

# Saint Thomas's Church

## Harvest Thanksgiving

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Sung Mass at 9:30 am



The Harvest Time, Fujishima Takeji, c. 1935

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## Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement, though we hope you will avail yourself of **coffee hour in the parish hall** following this service, if possible. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Theo Ipema  
**Reader:** John Stuart  
**Organist & Choirmaster:** Elizabeth Anderson  
**Assistant Organist & Choirmaster:** Manuel Piazza

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**VOLUNTARY** Nun danket alle Gott, Georg Friedrich Kaufmann (1679-1735)

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

*The Choir and People sing:*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO** Communion Service, William Mathias (1934-1992)



Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on



earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al- mighty - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we

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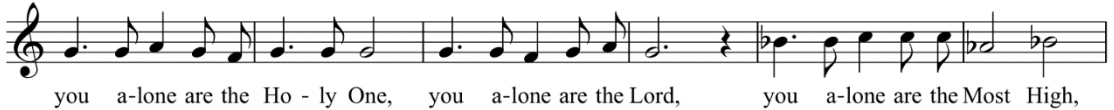
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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Amen.**

*The People sit.*

**FIRST LESSON**

Deuteronomy 8.7-18

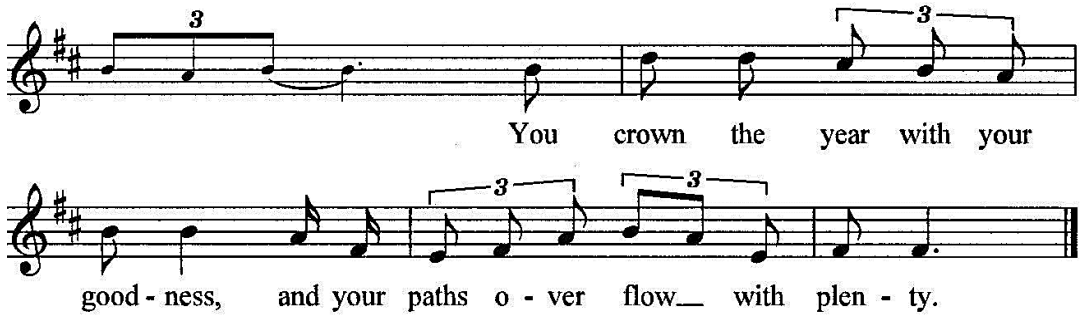
A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM 65



The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4) followed by a quarter note (C5), a quarter note (B4), and a quarter note (A4). The second staff continues with a quarter note (G4), a quarter note (F#4), a quarter note (E4), and a quarter note (D4). The lyrics are: "You crown the year with your good - ness, and your paths o - ver flow\_ with plen - ty." There are two more triplets of eighth notes in the second staff: one over the notes G4, A4, B4 and another over the notes C5, B4, A4.

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem. To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, because of their transgressions. Our sins are stronger than we are, but you will blot them out. Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple. **R/.**

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away. You make fast the mountains by your power; they are girded about with might. You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvellous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. **R/.**

You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth. You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase. **R/.**

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy. May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing. **R/.**

A reading from Saint Paul's second Epistle to the Corinthians.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Cantor sings the Alleluias, which are repeated by the People. The Cantor then sings the verse, and all repeat the Alleluias.*



*Verse: They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. Repeat Alleluias.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17.11-19

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The People sit.*

## SERMON

*After the Sermon, the People remain seated for a period of silent reflection, standing when the Celebrant stands.*

## THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**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: (*Bow.*) by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. (*Rise.*)**

**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. 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.**

*The People remain standing.*

## **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant:* Sisters and brothers in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Ukraine, Sudan, and Mali, and all other places we now name, silently or aloud. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for \_\_\_\_\_.] And for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_. May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and for all those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially \_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time \_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace and rise in glory. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Free us O God from all fear and worry that, trusting in your goodness, we may always praise your mighty deeds and give you thanks for the bounty of your gifts. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **INVITATION, CONFESSION, & ABSOLUTION**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*The People bow or kneel. Silence is kept.*

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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

*All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The People remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN 393

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion;
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - eth,
3. Praise to the Lord, who when tem - pests their war - fare are wa - ging,
4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion:  
Shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth:  
Who when the el - e - ments mad - ly a - round thee are ra - ging,  
All that hath life and breath come now with prai - ses be - fore him!



All ye who hear, Now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Hast thou not seen, how thy en - treat - ies have been,  
Bid - deth them cease, turn - neth their - fu - ry to peace,  
Let the A - men, sound from his peo - ple a - gain!



Join - ing in glad a - do - ra - tion.  
Gran - ted in what he or - dain - eth?  
Whirl - winds and wa - ters as - suag - ing.  
Glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

*LOBE DEN HERREN*  
*Stralsund Gesängbuch, 1665*

J. Neander (1680)  
*Tr. (1863) C. Winkworth and others*

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

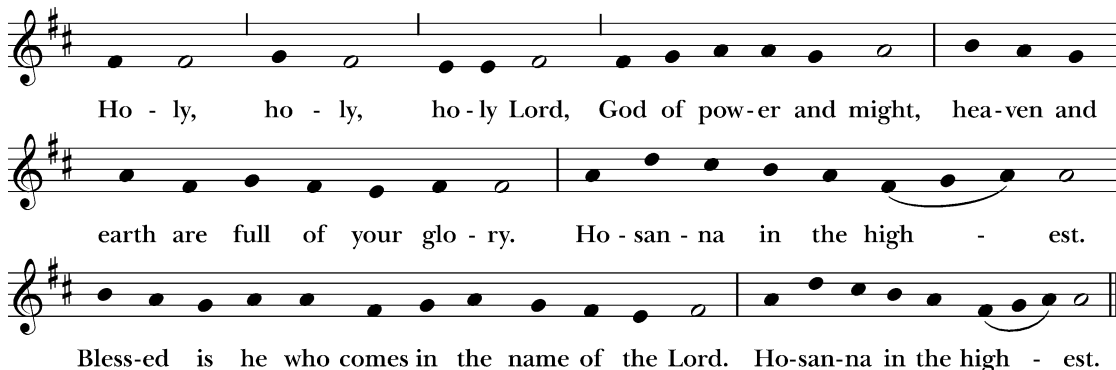
Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



*The Choir and People sing:*

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd (b. 1950)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The People remain standing.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

**We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

McNeil Robinson

*Celebrant* *People*

As our Sa - viour taught us, let us pray, Our Fa - ther in heav - en,  
hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread, For - give us our sins  
as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are\_\_ yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir and People sing:*

## AGNUS DEI

New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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## COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*



*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*

## **MOTET**

Jubilate Deo, Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

Jubilate Deo omnis terra, jubilate omnis terra, psallite in laetitia!

Rejoice in God, all the earth; rejoice, all the earth; sing out with joy!

## **COMMUNION DEVOTIONS**

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

## **ANIMA CHRISTI**

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesu, hear me.

Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malicious enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me.

And bid me come to thee,

That with thy saints I may praise thee,

For ever and ever. Amen.

*The People stand.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

God of our hope, in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings. Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **DOXOLOGY**

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

May the God of mercy, who so freely bestows manifold gifts upon us, grant you a thankful heart to receive all the wonders of creation; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you this holy day, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# CONCLUDING HYMN 305

Now thank we all our God



1. Now thank we all our God, With heart and hands and voi - ces,  
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3. All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things hath done, In whom his world re - joi - ces:  
With e - ver joy - ful hearts and bles - sèd peace to cheer us;  
The Son and Ho - ly Ghost, Sup - reme in high - est hea - ven,



Who from our mo - ther's arms has blessed us on our way,  
And keep us in his grace, And guide us when per - plexed,  
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore,



With count - less gifts of love, And still is ours to - day.  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be e - ver - more.

NUN DANKET  
J. Crüger, 1647

Tr from the German of Rev M. Rinkart (1636)  
by Catherine Winkworth

## VOLUNTARY

Sinfonia from Canata 29, J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.*

*Coffee Hour follows this service in the Parish Hall.*

*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.  
Those at the High Altar are in loving memory of Hilda and James Short;  
and  
Those on the Lady Altar in loving memory of friends and relatives by Marlene Fader.*

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