# St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church

Sunday, January 21, 2024
The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
10:15 a.m. – Rite Two



Welcome!

The mission of St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church is to feed all God's people. We invite you to join us.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

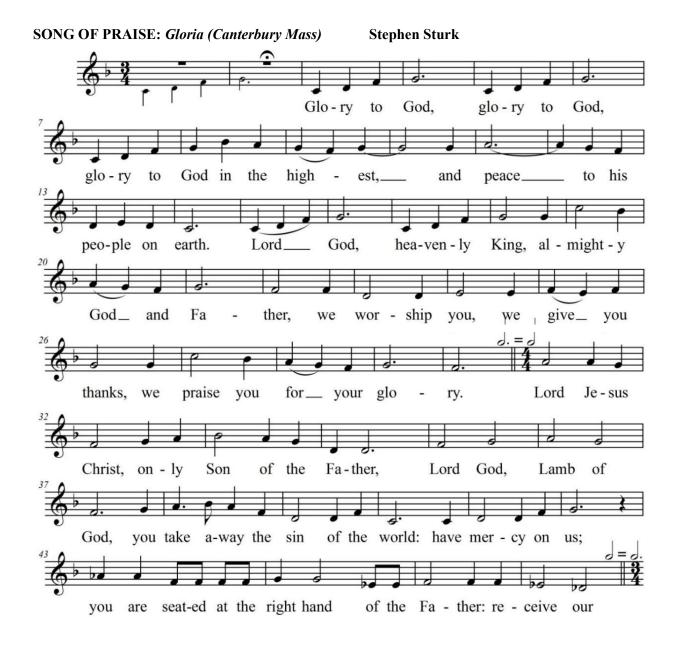
### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

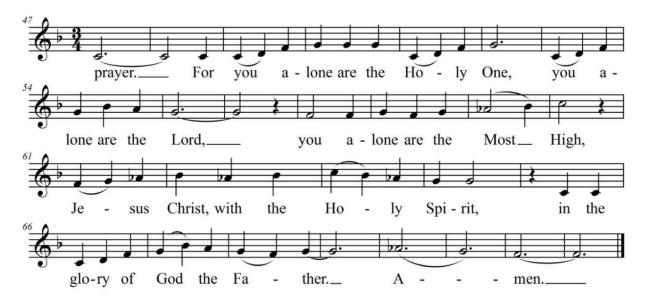
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

### **COLLECT 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*.





### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

### The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A Reading from the book of Jonah.

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

#### **PSALM: Psalm 62:6-14**

<sup>6</sup>For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*

truly, my hope is in him.

<sup>7</sup>He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*

my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

<sup>8</sup>In God is my safety and my honor; \*

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

<sup>9</sup>Put your trust in him always, O people, \*

pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

<sup>10</sup>Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*

even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

<sup>11</sup>On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \* all of them together.

<sup>12</sup>Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; \*

though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

<sup>13</sup>God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*

that power belongs to God.

<sup>14</sup>Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*

for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

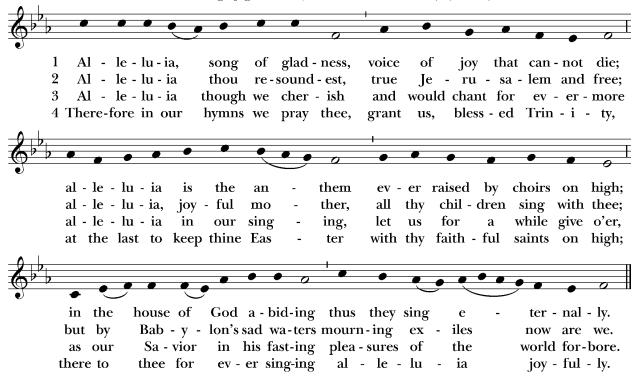
### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

<sup>29</sup>I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, <sup>30</sup>and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, <sup>31</sup>and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

### SEQUENCE HYMN Alleluia, song of gladness (Urbs beata Jerusalem) (H 122)



#### **GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

<sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

### THE SERMON

The Reverend Carole Horton-Howe

#### THE CREED

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 worshiped 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As God is moved by the sincerity of our repentance, so too, God is pleased by the faithfulness of our prayers. Let us offer our prayers to God, saying: In your mercy, hear us, Lord.

You have called us, O God, to follow you. Give us the grace to listen to your call, to lay aside the things of this world, and to follow you. In your mercy, *hear us, Lord*.

You have sent us, O God, into the world to tell the story of your love and faithfulness. Give us a holy zeal for the proclamation of the gospel in this place and in all the world. In your mercy, *hear us, Lord*.

You have called, O God, persons of varieties of gifts to serve your church. Bless, we pray, the ministries of musicians and artists, scholars and writers, pastors and teachers; that their work enrich our common life and offer us a glimpse of the life to come. In your mercy, *hear us, Lord.* 

You gave life, O God, for us and for all people. We remember before you those who are sick, those who mourn, and those who rejoice. As you have reached out to us in love, so inspire us to be present to those we have named before you. In your mercy, *hear us, Lord*.

[You are invited to offer your own intercessions either silently or aloud.]

Priest: As we are faithful in prayer, O God, so make us faithful in following you, that loving and serving you all the days of our lives, we may know the joy of the resurrection and may look with longing for your coming in power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

### THE PEACE

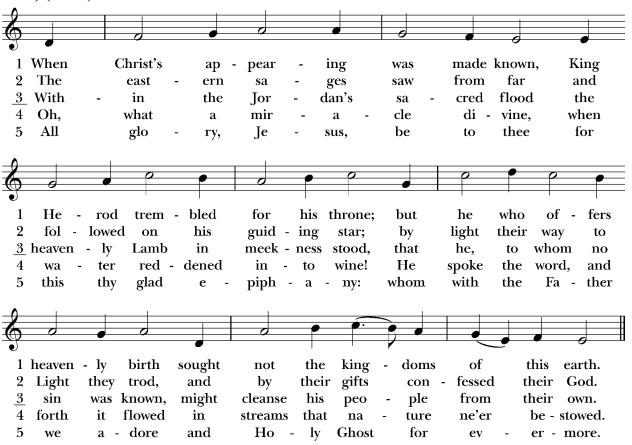
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

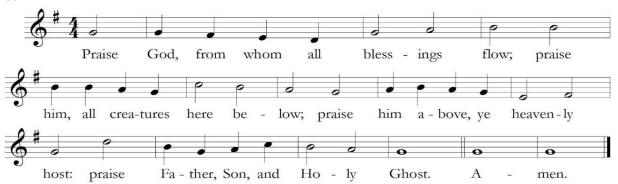
### ANNOUNCEMENTS – CALLS TO SERVICE AND COMMUNITY

Flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Simon Trench and Pierre Nguyen in memory of their brother Tommy Dung Nguyen and their departed 4-legged kids.

### OFFERTORY HYMN When Christ's appearing was made known (Vom Himmel kam der Engel Schar) (H 131)



### ON PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING: Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Old 100<sup>th)</sup>



### THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

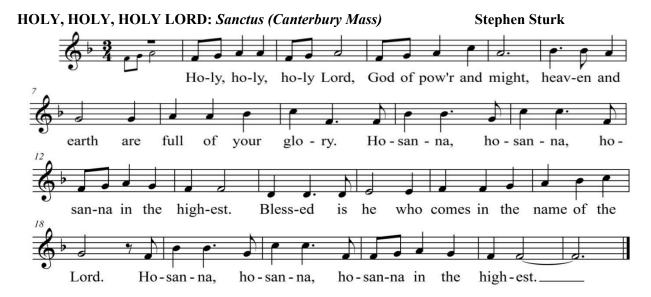
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, the mother of Jesus, St. Thomas of Canterbury and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

### THE GREAT AMEN (Canterbury Mass)

Stephen Sturk



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

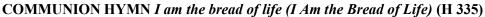
forever and ever. Amen.

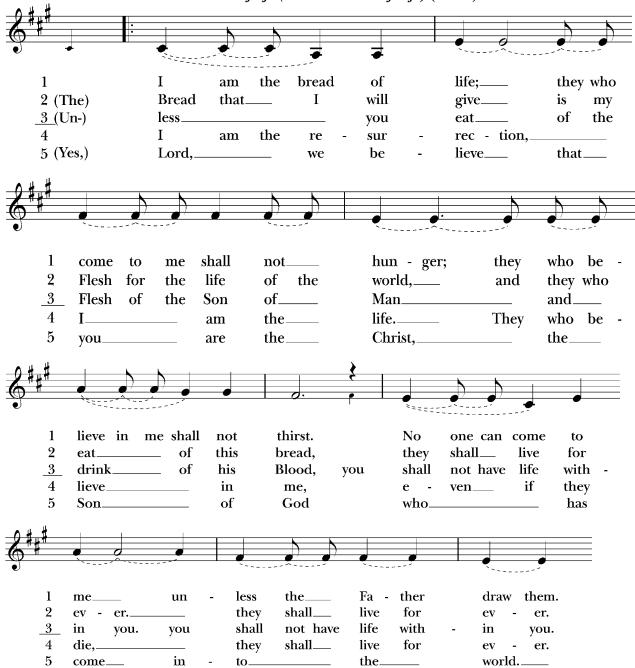
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE COMMUNION Gluten-free wafers are available on request.







The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

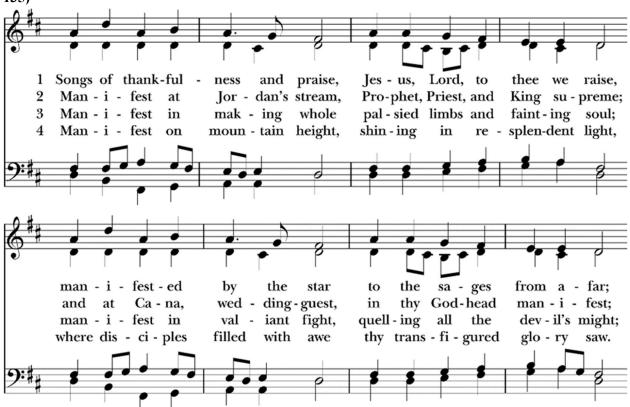
Let us pray.

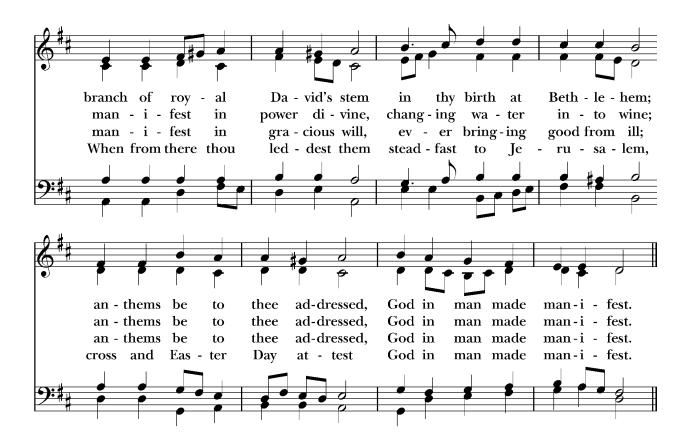
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness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

### **BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.* 

### POST-COMMUNION HYMN SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE (SALZBURG) (H 135)



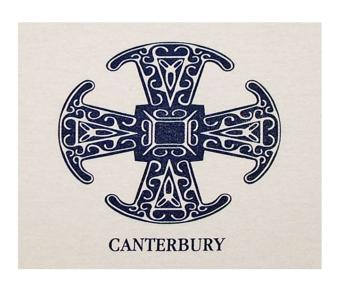


### **DISMISSAL**

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit and doing the loving thing. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please join us for Coffee Hour after the service.



### **Upcoming Events at St. Thomas of Canterbury**

### General Announcements:

- Outreach in January Gratitude and Reflection: This month, please stop by the Outreach table in the narthex to see the display Marva Ross has prepared. It is a review of our 2023 outreach ministry activities, how St. Thomas of Canterbury, inspired by God to Do the Loving Thing, has loved its neighbors.
- Personal Prayer with our Stephen Ministers Starting in February, Stephen Ministers will be in the chapel area of the church following each service to pray with you. Stephen Ministers are lay members of the community trained to listen, encourage and spiritually support those who are going through difficult times. Feel free to approach any Stephen Minister (they wear blue nametags) to talk confidentially about your concerns or to share your prayer request.
- Calling All Artists and Crafters, too! Al Salmon is organizing an exhibition of parishioner arts and crafts for Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, when Bishop Susan Brown Snook is visiting. Please fill in the sign-up sheet with your name and the item(s) you are bringing. All items should be at the church no later than Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Mark Your Calendars:

- Tuesday, January 23rd: **Documentary Film Event: A Case for Love showing** at 4:00 PM. Gather at Regal Temecula Stadium 15 theaters to see this film based on Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's bestseller "The Way of Love." Tickets are \$14 at the theater. This documentary examines whether or not love is the solution to the societal and political divide facing the world. (Spoiler alert: It is!) Included are interviews with well-known figures and Bishop Michael Curry placing what we've seen into context.
- Wednesday, January 24th: **Monthly Bishop's Committee meeting** 6:00 PM in person and by Zoom. All members of the congregation are welcome to attend.
- Sunday, January 28th: **Rt. Rev. Bishop Susan Brown Snook Visitation** Our Bishop will preach, celebrate, baptize and confirm new members. She will also share with us her thoughts on this year's diocesan theme: A Year of Leadership. Join her for a Q&A following each service in Julian Hall.
- Saturday, February 3rd: **Monthly Healing Prayer Service and Eucharist** at 5:00 PM Join the prayer circle in the chapel area where we will include readings from the Living Compass series Whole-Person Wellness.

- Friday, February 9th: **Navajo Nation Outreach** The children on the reservation need help staying warm. Donations of small space heaters, child-sized sweatshirts, hats, gloves and scarves would be welcome. Our dedicated Navajo Outreach servants, Deb Mitchell and Melissa Christiansen, are coordinating this effort and can answer your questions. Please bring all contributions to the Outreach table by 9:00 AM on February 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Sunday, February 11th: **One Service at 9:30 and Annual Meeting** Plan to stay after the service for a presentation on where St. Thomas has been in the last year, where we are now and our prayers for the future. Lunch will be served.
- Tuesday, February 13th: **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** at IHOP at 6:00 PM Celebrate the last day before Lent with a traditional pancake dinner with friends at the IHOP in the Redhawk Center at 32135 Temecula Parkway.
- Wednesday, February 14th: **Ash Wednesday** services at 12:00 noon (in person service) and 7:00 PM (in-person and on Zoom).
- Fridays in Lent beginning February 23<sup>rd</sup>: **Stations of the Cross** at 6:00 PM followed by **Soup Supper and Lenten Series**

### Weekly Recurring Events:

- **Compline** nightly at 8:00 by Zoom
- Study the Scriptures with Lani each Tuesday at 2:00 PM by Zoom
- **Bible Study with Fr. Bill Garrison** Wednesdays at 11:00. For the Zoom link and study guide, go to www.toursofthebible.blogspot.com. The current study is on Paul's Letter to the Romans.
- **Choir Practice** each Thursday at 7:00 PM
- Prayers and Squares quilters each Friday at 9:00 AM in Scholastica