

Let's Take Ten!

As part of our life-long learning, we'll spend a few minutes each week before worship highlighting something about the service, or the source of prayers and meditations.

Update on In-Person Worship

As we are longing to resume our worship and to receive communion at St. Thomas in our own building or outside, we are following the guidelines of Bishop Snook. She has limited in-person worship to outdoor settings, after a review of each congregation's plan, and only within San Diego County.

Our Re-Gathering committee met again this past week to update our thoughts and to review current local statistics for COVID 19. As a result of that meeting, we have updated our proposal and are petitioning Bishop Snook to allow St. Thomas to resume worship using our St. Francis Courtyard. Please keep us in your prayers as we await the outcome of that request and we will keep you informed of her decision.

The Re-Gathering Committee includes: Kathy Foxen; Virginia Patton; Warren Rippe; Tom Reid, *Sr Warden*; and Rev Julie D Bryant, *Priest-in-charge*.

Julie +

RECYCLING

This Wednesday, August 12, gather up your (sorted) glass, clear plastic, and aluminum cans; drop them at the Church before 11 a.m.

Recycling Proceeds will be used to enhance our grounds.

Contact Chantel Blas if you need to make other drop-off arrangements.

Blood Drive - Saturday, August 22

We will host a Red Cross Blood Drive later this month. There is a significant shortage of available blood, so we are making a special appeal to those able to donate - please go to www.redcross.com to make an appointment. Some locations are gifting donors with a small gift card as incentive to donate; if you donate and receive one of these cards, we're happy to collect them at St Thomas and forward them to Rancho Damacitas as part of our Back-to-School support.

BACKPACK SUNDAY

All this week, we'll be collecting school supplies to be donated to the children at Rancho Damacitas - a list of suggestions is in the latest issue of the Canterbury Tales, distributed by email and posted on the website Thursday.

Look for a Collection Box outside the Church Doors.

If you'd like to support this effort and find shopping difficult, You're welcome to mail or drop off a check with "Backpack" in the Memo Section, or to do a little online shopping, and have things delivered to the Church address.

Worship next week will include blessing those items we'll take over to Rancho Damacitas Monday the 10th.

Have you seen the latest Instagram post from St Thomas?
[ststepiscopal](https://www.instagram.com/ststepiscopal)

Thank You for keeping your pledge current;

Payments can be made through the mail, or electronically via the Donate button on the Saint Thomas website www.episcopalchurchtemecula.org.



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The Right Reverend Susan Brown Snook, Bishop

*Gathering via Zoom in Temecula
and Surrounding Communities!*

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One, Ante-Communion
The Feast of the Transfiguration, Observed
August 2, 2020 9 in the morning

*Worship Leaders this morning include:
Lani-Karyn Jones, Allan O'Neil, Frank Rojas, Warren Rippe,
The Rev. Dr. David Jackson, and The Rev Julie D Bryant.*

Musical Interlude - 'If Ye Love Me' Vicar's Choral of Wells Cathedral

The Word of God

All standing as they are able, the Celebrant says

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Celebrant prays

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

All standing as they are able

**Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Holy Gospel

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Homily

The Nicene 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

The Celebrant and other persons appointed pray

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lani-Karyn Jones

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael and Susan, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Allan O'Neil

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Frank Rojas

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lani-Karyn Jones

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Allan O'Neil

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Petitions are invited, and may be offered silently or aloud

Frank Rojas

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear,

Petitions are invited, and may be offered silently or aloud

beseeking thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Thomas and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant Acknowledging our longing to be physically close to one another, to share the blessing of Communion in common, and praying that when we do so, we remember this longing for thee.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as you are already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Musical Interlude - 'The Lord's Prayer' *the Taize' Community*

The Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant invites the people to join in the Lord's Prayer, saying
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Celebrant pronounces God's blessing

O Christ, thanks to thee, we have known God, and we have seen God. Grant that the God whom we have known and seen in thee will now be revealed through us.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God!**

Musical Interlude - 'Make Me an Instrument' featuring Susan Boyle

*Please stay connected for a Presentation and Discussion
Led by Father David Jackson and Deb Mitchell*