

Because we love one another as Christ loved us, we practice the following in community:
 Please use hand sanitizer on entering and exiting the church.
 Masks are worn at all times.
 Please maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from those not in your household.
 For the time being, the congregation will not sing in order to avoid aerosol spread.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

A musical prelude is played, followed by a welcome and announcements from a member of the clergy.

standing, Hymn 494, Crown him with many crowns

Please sing with your hearts as the choir sings with their voices:

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own; awake my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Son of God before the worlds began, and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast, and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.

Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above; crown him the King, to whom is given, the wondrous name of Love. Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall, crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.

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

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

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.**



Song of Praise, *sung by the choir.*

David Hurd (b.

1950)
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A Portion of Psalm 95, *sung by the choir*

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

A Reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Ephesians

(1:15-23)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

standing, Alleluia and Verse, *sung by the choir*

James MacMillan (b. 1959)

Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

(25:31-46)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

seated, The Sermon
Burdette

The Rev. Dr. Matthew

standing, 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 *(names that are submitted stay on the prayer list for two weeks)*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who are suffering from COVID-19 and those who are working to mitigate its spread; on the people of Honduras as they suffer multiple hurricanes, and on Cindy Oliver, David Lawson, Dick Lull, Megan Moore, Dick Joret, Emily DeForge, Michael Zazula, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for those who have died, especially Jim Commins, in whose memory the altar flowers are given, and for Trey Carroll.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *(Silence)*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

All 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.**

standing, The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with a smile or a gesture.

seated, The Offertory *As the altar is prepared, the choir sings*

“Wake up, my spirit”

Patricia Van Ness (b. 1951)

Wake up, my spirit; awake, lute and harp, I myself will waken dawn. Your loving-kindness is greater than the heavens, and your faithfulness. Exalt yourself above the heavens, O God, your glory o'er all the Earth.

Alleluia. --Text adapted from Psalm 108

Please stand at the conclusion of the choir anthem.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **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. *(here a Proper Preface is said.)* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



(sung by the choir)

Hurd

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. **AMEN.**

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, for ever and ever, Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



(sung by the choir)

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Grant us peace.

If you are participating via livestream, you are invited to pray this Act of Spiritual Communion.

(God of love and grace, we give you thanks for your presence within us and within the body of Christ; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to physically receive them, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit to embody your holy and life-giving presence in the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen.)

To receive the Body of Christ, at the usher's guidance approach the celebrant, keeping a six foot physical distance from others. The celebrant will place the host in your hand; consume it as you return to your seat via the side aisle.

Music during Communion "King of Glory, King of Peace"

David Charles Walker

(1938-2018)

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee, and that love may never cease, I will move thee.

Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee; and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.

Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me, and alone when they replied, thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven I can raise thee.

Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee, e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

--George Herbert (1593-1633)

Let us pray. **All: 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 you and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant blesses the people, followed by the hymn (all standing)

Hymn 535, Ye servants of God, your master proclaim

Please sing with your hearts as the choir sings with their voices:

Ye servants of God, your master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful Name; the Name all victorious of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right: All glory and power, all wisdom and might, and honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

The Dismissal

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

Daily Office Readings for this week, November 22-29 (Proper 29)

Day	Psalm (a.m.)	Psalm (p.m.)	Old Testament	Epistle	Gospel
Sun	107	108-109	Zechariah. 9:9-16	1 Peter. 3:13-22	Matthew 21:1-13
Mon	110-113	114-115	Zech. 10:1-12	Galatians. 6:1-10	Luke 18:15-30
Tues	116-118	119:1-32	Zech. 11:4-17	1 Corinthians. 3:10-23	Luke 18:31-43
Wed	119:33-72	119:73-104	Zech. 12:1-10	Ephesians. 1:3-14	Luke 19:1-10
Thurs	119:105-144	119:145-176	Zech. 13:1-9	Eph. 1:15-23	Luke 19:11-27
Fri	120-125	126-131	Zech. 14:1-11	Romans. 15:7-13	Luke 19:28-40
Sat	132-135	136-148	Zech. 14:12-21	Philippians. 2:1-11	Luke 19:41-48

Next Sunday, Nov 29:

Sun	139-140	141-143	Amos 1:1-5,13-2:8	1 Thessalonians. 5:1-11	Luke 21:5-19
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Say Morning Prayer with others on Zoom each weekday at 8:30 am.

On Zoom: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/896833312>, passcode: STWMP



CHRISTMAS CARD MAKING PARTY
 THIS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22ND
 MACCOLL AUDITORIUM
 12:15 PM

HOSTED BY
 THE CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY COMMISSION



Christmas Flower & Music Memorial Form
 Deadline - December 15



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ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT MINISTRY OUTREACH PARTNERS

Please consider adding a few items to your family's weekly shopping list and then drop them off anytime in the collection bins on the Church office porch, in the narthex, or MacColl foyer.

- canned chili
- jelly
- pasta sauce
- canned fruit
- baking mixes
- oatmeal packets
- individually wrapped healthy study snacks for kids

The collection baskets will be emptied and delivered on Wednesdays and Saturdays until Thanksgiving.

Please do not leave perishable items.



Inter-Faith Housing Alliance
 Helping Families Overcome Homelessness

With the pandemic continuing to adversely affect everyone's lives, the threat of food insecurity continues to grow.

Thanksgiving is less than four weeks away and the Outreach Commission will be redoubling efforts until then to collect food for the Roslyn Food Cupboard, part of Interfaith Housing.

If you are unable to get to a store but would like to participate, you may send a check in any amount made out to St. Thomas' Church with "Thanksgiving Food Drive" in the memo line.

St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh
 7020 Camp Hill Rd, Ft Washington PA 19034

Are you an online shopper?
 Consider placing an order and shipping it directly to the church!



Service of Comfort and Healing
 Wednesday, December 16
 7:00PM
on Zoom



Preparing for Sunday
on Zoom
 Wednesdays
 7:30-8:30PM

Please join us in making a 2021 pledge.
stthomaswhitemarsh.org/giving