

# **Thomas the Apostle**

## **Service of Holy Communion with Trinity Kids**

### **(Eucharistic Prayer H)**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022, 10.30am**

*This sheet has the weekly additional material to go alongside our orders of service which can be found at [www.holytrinitypottenend.org.uk/worship](http://www.holytrinitypottenend.org.uk/worship).*

**Musical Meditation – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

**Opening hymn – Alleluia, alleluia,  
Give thanks to the risen Lord (no.8)**

**All Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks To The Risen Lord  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Praise To His Name**

- 1. Jesus Is Lord of all the earth  
He is the King of creation.**
- 2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth  
Jesus Has Died And Has Risen.**
- 3. We have been crucified with Christ  
Now we shall live forever.**
- 4. God has proclaimed the just reward  
Life for us all, Alleluia!**
- 5. Come let us praise the living God  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.**

**Gloria in Excelsis – from Thorne's 'Mass of St Thomas'**

**All Glory to God, Glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest.***

**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.  
*Glory to God, Glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest.***

**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.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest.***

## **The Collect**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,  
allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son  
till word and sight convinced him:  
grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe  
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

***All*** **Amen.**

## **Old Testament Reading – Habakkuk Chapter 2. Verses 1-4**

**A reading from the Book of the Prophet Habakkuk.**

<sup>1</sup> I will stand at my watch  
and station myself on the ramparts;  
I will look to see what he will say to me,  
and what answer I am to give to this complaint.

<sup>2</sup> Then the LORD replied:

“Write down the revelation  
and make it plain on tablets  
so that a herald may run with it.

<sup>3</sup> For the revelation awaits an appointed time;  
it speaks of the end  
and will not prove false.

Though it linger, wait for it;  
it will certainly come  
and will not delay.

<sup>4</sup> “See, the enemy is puffed up;  
his desires are not upright –  
but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Hymn – *Hail, thou once despised Jesus (no.258)***

**All Hail, thou once despised Jesus,  
hail, thou Galilean King!  
Thou didst suffer to release us;  
thou didst free salvation bring.  
Hail, thou universal Saviour,  
bearer of our sin and shame;  
by thy merit we find favour;  
life is given through thy name.**

**Paschal Lamb by God appointed,  
all our sins on thee were laid;  
by almighty love anointed,  
thou hast full atonement made.  
All thy people are forgiven  
through the virtue of thy blood;  
opened is the gate of heaven;  
reconciled are we with God.**

**Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory,  
there for ever to abide;  
all the heavenly host adore thee,  
seated at thy Father's side.  
There for sinners thou art pleading,  
there thou dost our place prepare,  
ever for us interceding,  
till in glory we appear.**

**Worship, honour, power and blessing,  
thou art worthy to receive;  
loudest praises, without ceasing,  
it is right for us to give:  
help, ye bright angelic spirits!  
bring your sweetest, noblest lays;  
help to sing our Saviour's merits,  
help to chant Immanuel's praise.**

### **Gospel Reading – John Chapter 20. Verses 20-24**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**All** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Offertory hymn – Give us the wings of faith (no.204)**

**All** **Give us the wings of faith to rise  
within the veil, and see  
the saints above, how great their joys,  
how bright their glories be.**

**Once they were mourning here below,  
their couch was wet with tears;  
they wrestled hard, as we do now,  
with sins and doubts and fears.**

**We ask them whence their vict'ry came:  
they, with united breath,  
ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,  
their triumph to his death.**

**They marked the footsteps that he trod,  
his zeal inspired their breast,  
and, foll'wing their incarnate God,  
they reached the promised rest.**

**Our glorious Leader claims our praise  
for his own pattern giv'en;  
while the great cloud of witnesses  
show the same path to heav'n.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

### **Final hymn – Lord, for the years (no.409)**

**All Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.**

**Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
Speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
Teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.**

**Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:  
For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**

**Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt you,  
Loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
Hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -  
Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
Past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

**Thank you for joining us in worship this morning.**

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