



ST. THOMAS' PARISH

EPISCOPAL CHURCH DUPONT CIRCLE



Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 22, 2023

Welcome to St. Thomas' Parish and to our worship in this season after Epiphany! Your presence amongst us overflows our joy. Together, we all tell the Good News of God's love in Christ. Sing and pray with us as you are comfortable. You are welcome to fully participate in every part of this service, including Holy Eucharist (aka Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, or Mass). Nursery Care and a program for children is available on the fourth floor during the service.

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Prelude

Cantilena

Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Opening Hymn WLP #787 "We are marching in the light of God"

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. *si - ya -*
Mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios, Mar - cha -

march - ing in the light of God. — We are march - ing in the
hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. — *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*
re - mos en la luz de Dios. — Mar - cha - re - mos en la

we are march - ing in the light of God. —
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos' —
mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios. —

light of God, we are march - ing in the light of, the
nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha -
luz de Dios mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de, la

we are march - ing in the light of God. —
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'..
mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios. —

We are march - ing
 Si - ya - ham - ba
 Mar - cha - re - mos

light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are
 nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -
 luz de Dios. Mar - cha - re - mos re - mos mar - cha -

Oo we are march - ing in the light of God
 Oo si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'
 Oo mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.

march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of, the
 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha -
 re - mos re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de la

march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of, God.
 ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.

We are march - ing
 Si - ya - ham - ba
 Mar - cha - re - mos

light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing we are
 nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -
 luz de dios. Mar - cha - re - mos, re - mos mar - cha -

Oo
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march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God.
 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 re - mos re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz do Dios.

Words: South African; Spanish words, Bernardo Murray (b. 1965). Music: *Siyahamba*, South African.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

The Third Song of Isaiah

WLP Hymnal, #883

Refrain

A - rise, shine, for your light has come, his
glo - ry is up - on you.

The musical notation is for a refrain in 12/8 time, G major. It consists of two staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, and a quarter note F5. The second staff continues with a quarter note E5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F4. The piece ends with a double bar line.

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And 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.**

First Reading

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Lector: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 27: 1,5-13

(read by all)

St. Helena's Psalter

- 1 God is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
God is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 5 One thing have I asked of you, O God;
one thing I seek: *
that I may dwell in your house all the days of my life,
- 6 To behold your fair beauty, O God, *
and to seek you in your temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble you shall keep me safe in your shelter; *
you shall hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now you lift up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in your dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to you.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O Most High, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, O God, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, my siblings, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of

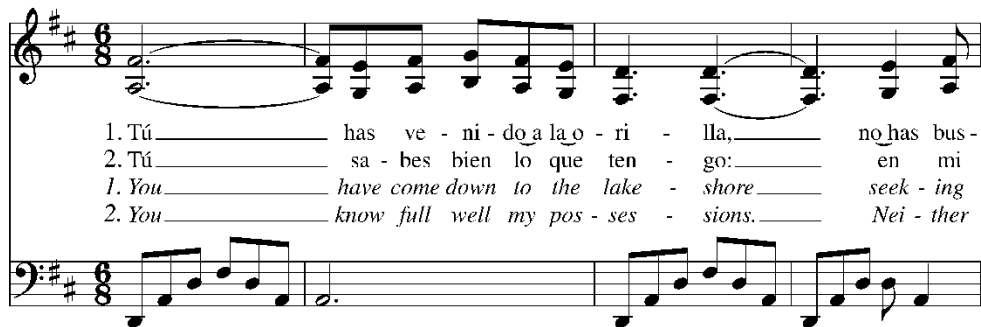
you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn: WLP 758 Lord, you have come to the seashore

We will sing verse 1 in Spanish and then English before the Gospel; Verse 2 in Spanish and then English after the Gospel.



1. Tú _____ has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, _____ no has bus -
 2. Tú _____ sa - bes bien lo que ten - go: _____ en mi
 1. You _____ have come down to the lake - shore _____ seek - ing
 2. You _____ know full well my pos - ses - sions. _____ Nei - ther



ca - do _____ ni a sa - bios, ni a ri - cos, _____ tan só - lo
 bar - ca _____ no hay o - ro ni es - pa - das; _____ tan só - lo
 nei - ther _____ the wise nor the weal - thy, _____ But on - ly
 trea - sure _____ nor weap - ons for con - quest, _____ Just these my

*Estrillo
(Refrain)*



quic - res _____ que yo te si - ga. _____ Je -
 re - des _____ y mi tra - ba - jo. _____ O
 ask - ing _____ for me to fol - low. _____
 fish nets _____ and will for work - ing. _____

sús, me has mi-ra-do a los o-jos; son-ri-
 Je-sus, you have looked in-to my eyes; kind-ly

en-do has di-cho mi nom-bre; en la a-
 smil-ing, you've called out my name. On the

re-na he de-ja-do mi bar-ca; jun-to a
 sand I have a-ban-doned my small boat; now with

tí bus-ca-ré o-tro mar.
 you, I will seek oth-er seas.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 4:12-23

(The Gospel will be proclaimed in both Spanish & English)

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

People: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Cuando Jesús oyó que habían metido a Juan en la cárcel, se dirigió a Galilea. Pero no se quedó en Nazaret, sino que se fue a vivir a Cafarnaúm, a orillas del lago, en la región de las tribus de Zabulón y Neftalí. Esto sucedió para que se cumpliera lo que había escrito el profeta Isaías:

«Tierra de Zabulón y de Neftalí,

al otro lado del Jordán, a la orilla del mar: Galilea, donde viven los paganos.

El pueblo que andaba en la oscuridad vio una gran luz;

una luz ha brillado para los que vivían en sombras de muerte.»

Desde entonces Jesús comenzó a proclamar: «Vuélvanse a Dios, porque el reino de los cielos está cerca.» Jesús iba caminando por la orilla del Lago de Galilea, cuando vio a dos hermanos: uno era Simón, también llamado Pedro, y el otro Andrés. Eran pescadores, y estaban echando la red al agua. Jesús les dijo: —Síguenme, y yo los haré pescadores de hombres.

Al momento dejaron sus redes y se fueron con él.

Un poco más adelante, Jesús vio a otros dos hermanos: Santiago y Juan, hijos de Zebedeo, que estaban con su padre en una barca arreglando las redes. Jesús los llamó, y en seguida ellos dejaron la barca y a su padre, y lo siguieron.

Jesús recorría toda Galilea, enseñando en la sinagoga de cada lugar. Anunciaba la buena noticia del reino y curaba a la gente de todas sus enfermedades y dolencias.

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When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
the people who sat in darkness, have seen a great light,  
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Celebrant:     The Gospel of the Lord.           **People: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios, Seminarian**

## 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

## Prayers of the People

*Celebrant:* Gracious and loving Creator, in the manifestation of Christ you have revealed to all the earth the mystery of your love, spreading your illumination and your abundant promises unto all humanity: Hear us now and visit us with that light, as we pray for the needs of all creation, saying: Arise, shine, for the light has come, and the glory of God has risen upon us.

Through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety may now be made known: Help us, O Holy One, to manifest the boundless riches of Christ, becoming servants according to the gift of God's grace that was given us by the working of God's power.  
Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon us.**

Let nations to come to your light and rulers to the brightness of your day, O God, that they may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice, to defend the needy among the people, that there may be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.  
Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon us.**

Manifest your Son to the peoples of our community and lead us to your presence, so all may see your glory face to face.  
Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon us.**

Thwart the schemes of the powerful against the weak throughout the world, that wisdom may serve justice and the wise may follow the child.

Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon us.**

Deliver those who cry out in distress and the oppressed who has no helper. We give grateful praise for Christ, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Hear our prayers of thanksgiving.

Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon**

We remember those who have entered into the mystery of your eternal life.

Arise, shine; for the light has come, **and the glory of God has risen upon us.**

Celebrant: O God, we come into your divine presence with no gifts but ourselves: Accept and receive our lives that we may be manifestations of your presence; let your light shine within and among us, so we may share in the mystery of your purpose of blessing for all creation, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

### The Peace

Celebrant: May the peace of Christ rule our world and heal our hearts.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

✠*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

### Welcome and Announcements

#### *Birthday Prayer: (said by all)*

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### *Anniversary Prayer: (said by all)*

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, author of salvation, and giver of all grace: Look with favor upon the world you have made, for which your Son gave his life, and surround this couple with your love. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Offertory    The Lord Bless You and Keep You                      John Rutter (b. 1945)**  
Sung by the St. Thomas' Choir

*Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.  
The ushers will collect a financial offering during the Offertory. If you'd prefer to give electronically to our operating funds, please text STTHOMASDC (\$) to 73256 or follow the QR Code.*



When you scan this QR Code with your phone's camera, it will take you directly to St. Thomas' website's Giving Page.

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Celebrant:**     The Lord be with you.  
**People:**        **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant:**     Lift 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 God thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation.  
Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being:  
sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways.  
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;  
and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.  
Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels  
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,  
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

**Sanctus      Holy, Holy, Holy**

**#S130 in Blue Hymnal**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full,  
full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.

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

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.  
To deliver us from the power of sin and death  
and to reveal the riches of your grace,  
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,  
that she might conceive and bear a son,  
Jesus the holy child of God.  
Living among us, Jesus loved us.  
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,  
healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself  
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.  
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross  
the sacrifice of his life,  
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,  
Jesus was at table with his friends.  
He took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:  
“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.  
Again, he gave thanks to you,  
gave it to them, and said:  
“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant,  
which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,  
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,  
who was and is and is to come,  
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,  
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.  
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth  
and make us your new creation,  
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,  
with Saint Thomas and all your saints,  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
to feast at the banquet prepared  
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
to you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,**  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. **Amen.**

**PADRE NUESTRO,** que estás en el cielo.  
Santificado sea tu nombre.  
Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad  
en la tierra como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como también nosotros perdonamos  
a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos  
del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y  
la gloria. Por los siglos de los siglos. **Amén.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: 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.

Communion Hymn #336 in Blue Hymnal Come with us, O blessed Jesus

Postcommunion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people. And the blessing of God Almighty; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn LEVAS #136 "I have decided to follow Jesus"

1 I have de - ci - ded to fol - low Je - sus, I have de -  
 2 The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me, the world be -  
 3 Though none go with me, I still will fol - low, though none go  
 4 Will you de - cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de -

ci - ded to fol - low Je - sus, I have de - ci - ded to fol - low  
 hind me, the cross be - fore me, the world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 with me, I still will fol - low, though none go with me, I still will  
 cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now to fol - low

Je - sus no tur - ning back, no tur - ning back.  
 fore me no tur - ning back, no tur - ning back.  
 fol - low, no tur - ning back, no tur - ning back.  
 Je - sus? no tur - ning back, no tur - ning back.

## Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:                      Toccata in Seven                      John Rutter



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## Letter from the Rector

Dear Friends,

Today we welcome Paul Barkett to our community and will offer prayers for his ministry amongst us. Paul is our new full-time Interim Director of Operations. Please join me in welcoming him!

We've also had an opportunity to get to know Deacon Susan Walker over the last several months. Newly retired, Susan has chosen to join us. She is already participating in a variety of ministries, and from time to time you will see her serve in our worship services. Read more below about Susan and join me in sharing a warm welcome.



The Rev. Susan Walker is a deacon in the Diocese of Washington. In June she retired from official parish ministry, after serving St. Stephen and the Incarnation for nine years while she worked in subsidized housing for older adults. Prior to St. Stephen's, Susan was a lay staff member at The Church of the Epiphany, downtown. She began attending services at St. Thomas' last fall and quickly felt welcomed and called to join our church.

Susan is a graduate of the Washington Theological Union (MTS) where she also earned a Certificate in Spiritual Direction Studies. Since 2017 she has collaborated in creating and teaching a parish curriculum addressing the intersection of aging and spirituality. She enjoys knitting, reading (spirituality, contemplation, British mysteries), and listening to Steely Dan and Bach. Susan lives in Alexandria, VA with her husband Carl Scheffey. She has two sons, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren, all residing in California. She is happy to make St. Thomas' her new home parish as she gets to know parishioners through fellowship gatherings, the refugee respite offerings, a book study, and the upcoming women's retreat. She looks forward to serving in liturgy as needed.

Blessings this season after the Epiphany!  
The Rev. Lisa Ahuja, Rector

**Paul Barkett** will serve full-time as our Interim Director of Operations beginning January 23. This new position expands the scope and hours of our previous administrative position and includes a focus on supporting our expanding building use. Paul has a wealth of experience developing and refining systems for finance, administration, and facility use. Additionally, he brings such warmth and hospitality, gifts we value at St. Thomas' Parish.



Paul comes to St. Thomas' from Christ Church Georgetown where he served as Director of Administration for the past 4 years. At Christ Church, his primary areas of responsibility included areas of responsibility included finances and facilities. Before Christ Church, Paul served for 10 years as the Chief Operating Officer at St. Columba's Episcopal Church in Tenleytown. Prior to joining the staff at St. Columba's, Paul worked for nine years as the Director of Housing and Residence Life at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, where he led a staff of almost 200 in supporting a resident population of 4,400 students.

Paul has been active in the life of the diocese; he has served as chair of the diocesan Human Resources Committee and as treasurer of the diocese. He is a long-time member of St. John's Church, Lafayette Square, where he has served on the vestry and as warden. Paul and his husband, Eric Peters, reside in downtown Washington with their dog, Athena.

### **St. Thomas' Parish Women's Retreat, February 10-12**

Come away to Capacon State Park in West Virginia, just 2 hours from Washington for the Women's Retreat. We will be staying at the Old Inn, a 1937 historic log structure with modern conveniences. There will be time to explore nature, nurture relationships, and enjoy free time. The cost is \$200, with scholarships available. Sign up at the QR code or by emailing [administrator@stthomasdc.org](mailto:administrator@stthomasdc.org).



← Sign up here for the Women's Retreat

## Save the Date: Annual Meeting

The St. Thomas' Parish Annual Meeting will be held in-person on Sunday, February 5, 2023 following our 10:30 am service. Never been to an annual meeting for a church? This year's meeting will include a celebration of the highlights from 2022, presentation of the 2023 budget, reports from the Wardens and Rector, written report from all our ministries, and the election of new vestry leaders. Thank you to the Vestry Nominating Committee for their work of discernment on behalf of the parish. The following slate was adopted by our vestry at our November meeting. Bios were shared in the month of December.

### Wardens

Senior Warden- Reggie Greer

Junior Warden- Karen Garlick

### Vestry Members

Noel Miller (current vestry, continuing for optional 3rd year)\*

Brett Snyder (current vestry, continuing for optional 3rd year)\*

### Nominated for a new term

Amy Doolittle\*

Willis Tatterson\*

Elizabeth Terry\*

### Vestry Members moving into their second year of service

Jasper Knight Champion

Jennifer Mahle

\*Candidates for election



# ST. THOMAS' PARISH

EPISCOPAL CHURCH • DUPONT CIRCLE

January 22<sup>nd</sup> - January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:30 am to 11:30 am Nursery and Christian Education/Kids Activities (4th floor)  
9:30 am to 10:15 am Choir Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)  
10:30 am to 11:30am - Holy Eucharist (2nd Floor Nave)  
12:00pm to 1:00pm Healing Book Study (Bishop Gene Robinson Chapel)  
11:45pm to 1:45pm Soup in the Season after the Epiphany (4<sup>th</sup> floor)  
2:00pm to 4:00pm - East Sea Sword School (4th Floor)  
3:00pm to 9:00pm - GMCW Full Chorus (2nd Floor Nave & 1st Floor Commons)

## Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Office Hours: 10am to 3pm

8:30am to 4:30pm - Capital Clubhouse (4th floor)  
6:30pm to 9:00pm - GMCW Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)  
7:30pm to 9:00pm - AA Meeting (4th floor)

## Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> - Office Hours: 10am to 3pm

8:30am to 4:30pm - Capital Clubhouse (4th floor)  
11:00 am to 12:00 pm - Staff Meeting (1st Floor Commons)  
5:30pm to 9:00pm - GMCW Rehearsals (Nave, 4th Floor)

## Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> - Office Hours: 10am to 3pm

8:30am to 4:30pm - Capital Clubhouse (4th floor)  
5:45pm to 9:15 pm - World Music Collective Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)  
6:00pm to 8:00pm - Mental Health Townhall, Capital Clubhouse (4<sup>th</sup> floor)

## Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> - Office Hours: 10am to 3pm

8:30am to 4:30pm - Capital Clubhouse (4th floor)  
4:30pm to 7:00pm - Capital Clubhouse Employment Dinner (4th Floor)  
7:00pm to 8:00pm - Flower Guild (1st Floor Commons)  
7:45pm to 10:15 pm - World Music Collective Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)

## Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> - Office Hours: 9am to 12pm

8:30am to 4:30pm - Capital Clubhouse (4th floor)  
7:00pm to 11:00 pm - World Music Collective Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)  
8:00pm to 9:00pm - NA Meeting (2nd floor)

## Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am to 1:15 pm - GMCW GenOUT (Nave)

## Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>

9:30am to 11:30am Nursery and Christian Education/Kids Activities (4th floor)  
9:3 am to 10:15am Choir Rehearsal (2nd floor Nave)  
10:30am to 11:30am - Holy Eucharist (2nd Floor Nave)  
11:45pm to 1:45pm Soup in the Season after the Epiphany (4<sup>th</sup> floor)  
2:00pm to 4:00pm - East Sea Sword School (4th Floor)  
3:00pm to 9:00pm - GMCW Full Chorus (2nd Floor Nave & 1st Floor Commons)

## WORSHIP WITH ST. THOMAS'

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### Join the new Flower Guild!

Calling any and all with a love of flowers and crafting to join in the ministry of the floral guild. We will have an introductory meeting and training at St. Thomas' on Thursday, January 26th at 7pm in the Gene Robinson Chapel. A hearty soup/salad dinner will be offered. At this meeting, we will look at the calendar and begin signing up for Sunday creations. It will be fun to be together and get this long-awaited group on its way.

Contact Jocko Fajardo with questions at 202-320-8010 or [jocko.fajardo@gmail.com](mailto:jocko.fajardo@gmail.com)

## STUDY WITH ST. THOMAS'

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**What exactly do Episcopalians believe? And why?**

**How is it the same or different from what other faith traditions believe?**

If you ever find yourself wanting to explore questions such as these in a group study, then let Murray Scheel or the Rev. Lisa Saunders Ahuja know. Murray Scheel has offered to conduct a [once-a-week?] evening study walking us through the Catechism of the Episcopal Church (yes, we have one!). The Catechism is an outline of the basic concepts of Christian faith as it is proclaimed in our tradition. The study would explore the Catechism step by step over several weeks, comparing it with faith statements from other traditions, and exploring how to use its concepts to deepen our faith and practice. If you would like a review of (or introduction to) the Episcopal faith tradition, please let Lisa or Murray know ([mdbscheel@gmail.com](mailto:mdbscheel@gmail.com)).

## TAKE ACTION WITH ST. THOMAS'

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### Christ House Volunteers Needed

Every month our parish supports Christ House by buying the food and having a team prepare dinner the third Saturday night. We are currently scheduling our team for the next several months. Sign up to join us here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4AADAA28A6FE3-dinner>.

Christ House opened in December 1985 as the first 24-hour residential medical facility for homeless persons in the United States. Today, Christ House is the largest facility of its kind in Washington, DC. Since their inception, they have had over 9,500 patient admissions. Patients are admitted to Christ House from area hospitals, shelters, clinics, and medical outreach projects. They suffer from a variety of illnesses and injuries including cancer, hypertension and stroke, liver disease, kidney failure, diabetes and related amputations, HIV/AIDS, respiratory disease, major lacerations, fractures, and ulcerations of the skin. Many are malnourished, anemic, depressed, and desperately disconnected from healthy sources of support. Please contact Linda Hollingsworth if you have questions: (619) 797-7674 or [lhollingsworth.hvh@gmail.com](mailto:lhollingsworth.hvh@gmail.com).

## PARISH NIGHT OUT

Karen Garlick, Herschel Wade, and Michael Lodico will be leading a Parish Night Out to hear the Sunday, February 5th, 8pm performance of Dear Mr. Duncan. The performance has open seating, and we will purchase tickets at the door. Plan to gather in the St. Thomas' ground floor Commons at 7.45pm and we will walk to Keegan Theatre as a group for the hour-long show. Email Herschel at [HWade@vts.edu](mailto:HWade@vts.edu) or Michael at [Mlodico@stthomasdc.org](mailto:Mlodico@stthomasdc.org) for more information.



# Dear Mr. Duncan

**a musical about Dupont Circle's  
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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 - 3:00 PM**  
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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6 - 8:00 PM**

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ANTHONY ANDERSON



**SOPRANO.**  
DENIQUE ISAAC

**NARRATOR.**  
GARY DUBREUIL

**ENSEMBLE.**  
WORLD MUSIC COLLECTIVE

Written by Noah Getz and  
Dwayne Lawson-Brown

**LINK FOR TICKET SALES:**  
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/DEARMRDUNCAN](https://tinyurl.com/dearmrduncan)



This program is funded by a grant from HumanitiesDC, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

# SIGN UP FOR VOICE LESSONS HERE!

## Some info about me!



Hi! I'm Brynn Farlow. I study vocal performance as a tenor at the University of Maryland, College Park. Throughout my development as a singer and musician, I have faced the struggle of being trans in the music world. There were never people like me around to mentor and guide me.

I want to offer you what I never had access to - a teacher that will affirm and see you fully as yourself. Through doing so, I hope to better allow you to grow - as a person and musician.

## So, you're interested?



**I'm offering 45-minute voice lessons on Saturdays in partnership with St. Thomas' Parish.**

You can sign up for voice lessons using the QR code below, and/or contact me directly via email [bfarlow02@gmail.com](mailto:bfarlow02@gmail.com) for more information.



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## Sharing your announcements in the Sunday bulletin and Phoenix

Please send all announcements to [ama@stthomasdc.org](mailto:ama@stthomasdc.org) on or before the Sunday prior to distribution. We aim to send announcements out three weeks prior to the event or service opportunity for sufficient time to plan.

## Celebrating Our January Birthdays

Samantha Fallon (January 5)

Bob McDonald (January 16)

Gregory Zitterkob (January 22)

David Insinga (January 23)

Chris Hartenau (January 27)

John Coonrod (January 31)

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, please let us know at  
[administrator@stthomasdc.org](mailto:administrator@stthomasdc.org)

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## Parish Prayer List

Shaune Bazner  
John Bisco  
Henry Broadstone  
Cherie Brown  
Peggyann Cohen  
Craig Evertt  
Deborah Forman  
June Gangler  
Karin Garcia's fiance

Carol Goldman  
Jan Harrison  
Betsy Hollingsworth  
James Insinga  
Judy Johnson  
Mike Knapp  
Dave Kucharski  
Hugo Llanos

Joe Rivas  
Jane Saari  
Eric Scharf  
The Sommer Family  
Chris Spangler  
Chester Thompson

For those who died: Krista Becker, Tonya Coney

You may submit a name for the list by sending an e-mail to: [ama@stthomasdc.org](mailto:ama@stthomasdc.org)



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## Vestry

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*“As St. Thomas’ Parish we are followers of Jesus, striving to see Christ in each person, and to be Christ in our community, our city, and our world.”*

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Gregory Zitterkob, Senior Warden  
Karen Garlick, Junior Warden  
Clay Dursthoff, Treasurer  
Jocko Fajardo, Secretary  
Knight Champion, Brian Crane, Reggie Greer, Jennifer Mahle,  
Noel Miller, Brett Snyder, John Trumbo

## Staff

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| The Rev. Lisa Saunders Ahuja                                                                                   | Rector                                                                                                                                                | lahuja@stthomasdc.org<br>cell: 202-361-2018<br>@BishopGRobinson |
| The Rt. Rev. V. Gene Robinson<br>Paul Barkett<br>Michael Lodico                                                | Bishop in Residence<br>Interim Director of Operations<br>Director of Music<br>and Community Engagement<br>Seminararian                                | administrator@stthomasdc.org<br>mlodico@stthomasdc.org          |
| Maria Teresa Baustista-Berrios<br>Fabian Berrios<br>Diana Diaz<br>Brynn Farlow<br>Hamida Gawhari<br>Araceli Ma | Sexton and Nursery<br>Nursery Attendant<br>Music Program Assistant<br>Administrative Assistant<br>Minister for Communications<br>and Ministry Support | bfarlow@stthomasdc.org<br>ama@stthomasdc.org                    |
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