

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 worshipped 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.*

Prayer Litany As we sing may we ask your prayers for: the church (its members and its mission), our nation (and all in authority), the welfare of the world, the concerns of our own community, for those who are sick, who suffer or are in any trouble, and for the departed, especially Kim Brannock. We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Beth Maxwell, Paul Pierce, Emily Alcorn, Elaine Chilcote, and Grace Murph.

We also pray for All Saints in Brighton Heights, and the Rev. Canon Dr. Jay Geisler, on our Diocesan cycle of prayer this week.

****Please see the bulletin insert for the Litanies, led this week by Doug Brannock and Kate Westermann.**

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

“I Will Lift Up My Eyes To The Mountains” by Antonin Dvorak

Offered by Soloist Julie King

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Offering of Bread, Wine and Alms

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B (Pg. 367, BCP)

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 him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing.....Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Hymn #S114 Sanctus

Willan

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues (Pg. 368 BCP)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation... ..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.....“Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine.....“Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

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... ..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 Breaking of the Bread

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus

Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation

Hymn S158 O Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) -Willan
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.
(All baptized persons are welcome to receive the sacrament at our altar rail.)

Communion Hymn #652 “Dear Lord and Father of mankind” vv. 1,4,5

Hymn “This is my body, given up for you”

This is my body given up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.
This is my body given up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.
Body of Christ, Amen, Blood of Christ, Amen,
Body of Christ. Amen, Blood of Christ, Amen.

After Communion the Priest says

Let us pray.

Priest and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #637 “How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord”

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Rockingham”

Richard Proulx

Crown of thorn plants, which will remain on the altar throughout the Lenten season, are given to the Glory of God, in loving memory of, and in honor of the birthday of Kim Brannock, by Doug Brannock.

Lent and Holy Week Services

<u>Tuesdays during Lent:</u>	11:00 a.m. Bible Study in the Guild Room
<u>Wednesdays during Lent:</u>	10:00 a.m. Healing Service
<u>Fridays during Lent:</u>	5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (except Good Friday)
<u>Palm Sunday Services:</u>	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (reading of Passion Gospel) 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (reading of Passion Gospel)
<u>March 30 & 31, April 1 (M-W)</u>	6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
<u>Maundy Thursday Service:</u>	7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2 (Includes foot-washing)
<u>Good Friday Service:</u>	7:30 p.m. Friday, April 3
<u>Easter Vigil Service:</u>	7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4
<u>Easter Day Services:</u>	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (regular schedule) 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (regular schedule)

We welcome you to join us!

We at St. Thomas, members of the Body of Christ, are called by God to Grow;
Spiritually, in Parish Life, in Community Life, and as a Congregation.

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UPCOMING / ONGOING EVENTS:

Monday—Thursday 9 am Morning Prayer in the Thomas House Chapel

Tuesdays at 11 am Bible Study in the Guild Room

Wednesdays at 10 am Healing Eucharist Service in the Thomas House Chapel

Wednesdays at 7 pm Choir Practice in the Choir Room (basement)
Sundays at 9:30 Adult Sunday School in the Guild Room

** Please consider participating in our Annual Lenten Walk, entitled Walk with Mary, which encompasses the 1,517 miles she walked from the hill country to Ephesus. In the first week, we are off to a great start, having logged 339 miles. Only 1,178 to go! More information can be found on leaflets located at the back of the church, as well as on the tryptic board in the Parish Hall. Tally sheets are in the bulletins. Place your completed form in any collection plate.

** Lenten Mite boxes are available at the back of the church and in the Parish Hall. These are for spare change and dollars that will be used for a charitable cause determined by the Vestry.

** We will need many volunteers to read parts in the Passion Gospel readings on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as with help with the services during Holy Week. IF you are willing and able to help in any capacity, please either sign up on the sheets in the Parish Hall, or email Laurel in the office at sttomoakmont@gmail.com.

** St. Thomas is scheduled to host one of the Diocesan-wide Lenten preaching series services on March 24. Dinner will be provided at 6 pm with the service starting at 7. Volunteers will be needed to help with the set up, food, and clean up.

Participants for this service:

Acolytes: Paul, Andrew and Ben Pierce
First Lesson: Meloni Murph
Psalm: Paul Pierce
Second Lesson: Darrell Powell
Leader, Prayers of the People: Litanies
Vergers: Theresa McClain
Ushers: Ted Denlinger, Darrell Powell
Coffee Hour Hosts: The Pierce family

**Last week's attendance: 8:00: 25
10:30: 56**

Total Donations: \$2,921.00

The pancake supper fundraiser earned \$597.00