



St. Thomas' CATHEDRAL

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The Church of North India*

A member of the worldwide Anglican Communion

TEXT FOR THE DAY

Ephesians 4:21 - 24

*“.....when you heard about Christ and were taught in him
in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus.*

*You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self,
which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;
to be made new in the attitude of your minds;
and to put on the new self,
created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.*

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In Ephesians 4, Paul teaches that when God pours spiritual blessings on us, it should have a direct impact on how we live our lives. Jesus said, “The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good.” God puts His unfathomable riches spiritually into your heart and ignites your soul and then He talks about bringing forth what is good in your life. The way you live, the way you make a difference in the world and the things you say all come back to what fills your heart.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist † Sunday 15th October 2023 • 8.45 a.m.

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

We are the mother church of the Diocese of Bombay in the Church of North India, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 300 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

The basis for our worship is the *Book of Common Prayer*, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper from *The Book of Common Prayer* (refer page numbers).

The hymns can be found in *Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard*



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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prayer for Peace Charles Demorest, 1886 - 1950

“He watching over Israel” *from the oratorio Elijah*

... .. Felix Mendelssohn, 1809 - 1847

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

Introit

Sung by the choir

Now, dear Lord, as we pray,
take our hearts and minds far away
from the press of the world all around
to Thy throne where grace doth abound.
May our lives be transformed by Thy love,
may our souls be refreshed from above.
At this moment, let people everywhere
join us now as we come to Thee in prayer.

Ralph Carmichael, 1927 - 2021

All stand and face the West Door.

Invitation to Worship

The Presbyter We were once strangers to each other
and strangers to God,

All **We were once short on hope
and mean with our love.**

But Christ broke down the walls between us.

Continued. Turn over.

¹⁵⁰ They draw nigh that of malice persecute me : and are far from thy law.

¹⁵¹ Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord : for all thy commandments are true.

¹⁵² As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since : that thou hast grounded them for ever.

All stand Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 And to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
 World without end. Amen.

All sit

The Epistle | **page 496**

Ephesians 4:17 - 32

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing.

Gradual Hymn | **# 374**

Help us to help each other, Lord

Tune: adapted to MARTYRDOM # 226

*Remain standing for the Gospel
as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond.*

The Gospel of Christ | **page 497**

St. Matthew 9:1 - 8

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Your words are spirit, Lord, And they are life:

You have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
All **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Remain standing for the Creed, all reciting together.

The Nicene Creed | *page 265*

All sit

Sermon
The Reverend Avinash Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant God will speak peace to His people,
to those who turn to Him in their hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **and also with you.**

*Members of the congregation greet one another.
Remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.*

*At this time the altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine and the
gifts of the people are gathered and presented. Thank you for your generosity.*

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All sing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 528

Where love and loving-kindness dwell

All say

Offertory Prayer | *page 270*

*We keep a moments silence as a candle is lit
to symbolise God's light in this time of conflict and depair in the Holy Land.
Kneel as able or remain seated*

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Merciful God,
help us when praying not to be like the Pharisee,
whose prayers were full of pride
showing how good and righteous he is,
but more like the humble Tax Collector
ready to admit to our faults, failures and imperfections.
Lord, in your mercy:

All

hear our prayer.

Gracious God,
we pray for your Church throughout the world
and for all Christian people;
for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service;
for Bijaya Nayak the Moderator of the *Church of North India*,
Reuben Mark the Deputy Moderator of the *Church of South
India*, Paul Dupare the Moderator's Commissary for our
diocese and Avinash our Presbyter; for the life of this
Cathedral church and Diocese.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for the gift of your word,
the grace of the sacraments and the fellowship of your
people.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

God of light and salvation, our refuge and our strength,
We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine
amid the escalating violence.

May your rod and staff comfort them.

We pray for those who are grieving.

May they know your ever-present help.

And we pray for those in leadership in Gaza and Israel.

May you guide them along the right paths.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

Continued. Turn over.

Father God,
we pray for ourselves.
Give to us an eye that is willing to see meaning in things
and people that are familiar and commonplace,
and always to be sincerely aware of our own faults.
Enable us to see likeable qualities
in those we may not like,
recognise the mistakes in what we thought was correct,
and to understand the strength
in what we choose to see as weakness.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

God of healing,
we pray for the sick and suffering and all who care for them.
We pray for those for whom this day will be long and hard,
for those struggling with despair or depression,
for those in hospital and at home.

In your goodness and mercy grant them health of body,
soundness of mind and peace of heart.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

Loving God,
we remember in our prayers friends and loved ones
who have enriched our lives and are now departed from us.
We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this
time – Mrs. Rajathi Moses.

May your light shine on them forever
and our lives be richer because of their memory.

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

Faithful God,
as we go out into the world,
help us to entrust the past to your mercy,
the present to your love
and the future to your wisdom.

**Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your son Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The General Confession & Absolution | *pages 275, 276*

The Consecration | *page 277*

The Communion | *page 284*

*Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion.
During the administration of Communion, while seated we sing.*

Hymn | # 465

Here in Christ we gather

Tune: UBI CARITAS

The Thanksgiving | *page 287*

All stand and sing.

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*

A Prayer for Peace

All stand and say

**O God,
Who cares for all,
let the whole of humanity who have one origin from you,
form one family, without violence,
without absurd wars
and with brotherly spirit, live united in peace.
Amen.**

The Blessing

The Presbyter

Peace be with you, dear brothers and sisters,
and may God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
give you love with faithfulness.
May God's grace be eternally upon all
who love our Lord Jesus Christ.
And the blessing of God almighty,
† the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All join in singing

Hymn at the Closing | # 131

Love divine, all loves excelling

Tune: BEECHER

From the West Door the Presbyter says

The Dismissal

Presbyter

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Music after the Service

“Hatikvah”... .. Shmuel Cohen , 1870 -1940

“The Hope,” is adapted from a longer poem titled “Tikvatenu” תקוותנו “Our Hope,” written in the late 1800’s by Naftali Herz Imber, a little-known Polish Jewish poet.

Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee. Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.

Birthdays this Week

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13

Sonal Parmar (15), Nikhil Salvi (15), Christopher Karkada (16),
Shilpa Pastala (18), Alethea Rangayya (18), Supriya Daniel (20),
Uma Moses (21), Nihal Thomas (21), Sarah Sinate (21)

Wedding Anniversaries this Week

"And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight."

Philippians 1:9

Johnson & Sarah Isaac (16), Ashok & Rekha Joshi (18), Suresh & Anuradha Patil (18),
Bishop Prakash & Smita Patole (19)

Notices

- Parents are encouraged to get their children regularly to Sunday School as preparations for the Nativity play are about to begin.
- The Cathedral Presbyter will be on leave from Monday 16th October to Saturday 21st October 2023. For pastoral care contact the Revd Arpana Rangayya.

- Bible quiz based on the Books of Ezra, Nehemiah and the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians (*New King James version*) will be held on Sunday 7th January 2024. There will be six teams participating. The teams will be announced shortly.
- An early morning prayer session (online) is conducted every Monday from 6 am to 6.30 a.m. If you would like to log in, contact the Presbyter.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Choral Eucharist 8.45 a.m.
Sunday 5th November 2023



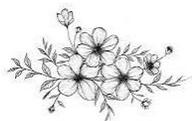
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the food and games stalls.
Give generously to fund the Cathedral's
ministries and outreach programmes.*

The Collect for

St. Luke the Evangelist
18th October



ALMIGHTY God,
who calledst Luke the Physician,
whose praise is in the Gospel,
to be an Evangelist,
and Physician of the soul:
May it please Thee that,
by the wholesome medicines
of the doctrine delivered by him,
all the diseases of our souls
may be healed;
through the merits of
Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



*The flowers in the sanctuary are placed
in loving memory of the late
Mrs. Rajathi Moses*

to commemorate her death anniversary 12th October

Cathedral ministries... ..

Get involved!

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| • Sunday School | Sunday morning during term time |
| • Women's Fellowship | 2 nd Sunday of the month 10.45 am |
| • Youth Fellowship | 2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month 10.45 am |
| • Choir | Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday |

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Our heartfelt prayers continue following the surprise attack on Israel, and the retaliation on Gaza, for all who have lost relatives and friends, and all those who have been imprisoned. The whole situation is so far beyond our comprehension, let us be reminded “The Lord is King” (*Psalms 99*).

† **OUR COUNTRY** Pray for all our brave soldiers who guard our borders.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** Saint Luke the Evangelist is commemorated on 18th October. We offer our thanksgiving for Luke, a faithful companion of Paul and the writer of the Gospel. Luke is the patron saint of doctors. Pray for all in the healing profession and for all institutions named after Luke • The 16th century nun and mystic, Teresa of Avila is commemorated on 15th October. Teresa was a prominent Spanish mystic, Carmelite nun, and theologian of contemplative life through mental prayer. She was a reformer of the Carmelite Order. Teresa is revered as the Doctor of Prayer. The mysticism in her works exerted a formative influence upon many theologians of the following centuries • In the Anglican Communion - The Anglican Church of Kenya and the Right Reverend Jackson Ole Sapit.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The Anglican priest and missionary to the peoples of India and Persia, Henry Martyn is commemorated on 16th October. He translated the whole of the New Testament into Urdu, Persian and Judaeo-Persic. An institution was established in his name in Hyderabad, called the *Henry Martyn Institute: An Interfaith Centre for Reconciliation and Research* • The Diocese of Calcutta and the Right Reverend Dr. Paritosh Canning • The Diocese of Madurai-Ramnad and the Right Reverend Dr. D. Jeyasingh Prince Prabhakaran • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of the Moderator of the Church of South India.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** Jubilee Marathi Church and the Reverend Nitin Dethé • Our prayers continue for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to provide pastoral leadership to the Diocese of Bombay.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** All senior citizens and those who are unwell. Pray for all care providers • This week for all young people in our families who are away on work or studies and are staying away from home.

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