

St. Thomas Reformed Church
St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands
Founded 1660



June 27, 2021

We Welcome One and All
In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

The liturgical color today is green representing the mission of the church!

“We Gather In God’s Presence...”

Greeting and Ministry Updates

Introit

“There’s a Lifting”

Johnson

There's a lifting of the hands	We will lift up our hands
There's a lifting of the hearts	We will lift up our hearts
There's a lifting of the eyes	We will lift up our eyes
Beyond the hills	Beyond the hills
To where our help comes from	To where our help comes from

Our help comes from You
We lift up our hands
Our help comes from You
We lift up our hearts
Our help comes from You
We lift up our eyes
To where our help comes from
We realize where our help comes from

Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth!

Amen!

O God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth.

For you the valleys shall sing for joy, the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

For you the kings of the earth shall bow, the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

Your love and mercy shall last forever, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

Great is your name.

Great is your love. Amen.

Prayer

Day by day, day by day
Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray
To see Thee more clearly
Love Thee more dearly
Follow Thee more nearly
Day by day

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves, and the sins we have done to please others. Forgive us the sins that we know, and the sins that we know not; forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all because of your great goodness. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord...

Response

'Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God'

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Holy Spirit, living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit, come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do

Words of Assurance and Hope (*Lamentations 3:22-24*)

Musical Offering

'Siyahamba'

arr. Carter

D.J. Parson, piano & vocals/Dion Parson, drums

We are marching in the light of God

Children's Message

***Hymn**

'I Call You Faithful'

Walker/Price

I call you holy, your name is holy

You are so holy to me

I call you holy, your name is holy

Holy you are, and holy you'll be

I call you righteous, your name is righteous

You are so righteous to me

I call you righteous, your name is righteous

Righteous you are, and righteous you'll be

I call you faithful, your name is faithful

You are so faithful to me

I call you faithful, your name is faithful

Faithful you are, and faithful you'll be

I call you healer, your name is healer

You are the healer to me

I call you healer, your name is healer

Healer you are, and healer you'll be

I call you all that, your name is all that

You have been all that to me

I call you all that, your name is all that

All that you are, and all that you'll be

... To Hear God's Word...

Scripture

Mark 5:21-43

Message

“Dying & Living!”

And Respond With Gratitude...

Offering

(You are invited to bring your gifts to the altar and place them in the offering plates or in the box by the front sanctuary door. Online giving is also available at www.strcgiving.org)

Offertory

“All Is Well”

Poirier

Through the love of God our Savior
All will be well
Free and changeless is God's favor
All, all is well
Precious is the love that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand reached out to shield us
Oh, all must be well

Though we pass through tribulation
All will be well
Ours is such a great salvation
All, all is well
Happy, still in God confiding
Fruitful, if in Christ abiding
Holy, through the Spirit's guiding
Oh, all must be well

In all things our God is working
All will be well
For the good of those who love Him
All, all is well
Nothing here can separate us
From the love God freely gave us
For God's purpose, we are called
Oh, all must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow
All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow
All, all is well
On our Maker's love relying
Jesus every need supplying
In our living, or our dying
Oh, all must be well

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

'Blessed Assurance'

Crosby/Doane

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of his Spirit, washed in his love

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior, all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission, perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love [*Refrain*]

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love [*Refrain*]

Benediction

GIVING THANKS:

Leading Worship Today:

Ministers:	All of us viewing together
Preaching:	Pastor Jeff Neevel
Music:	Chanelle Schaffer, D.J. Parson, Dion Parson, STRC Adult Choir
Live Stream Team:	James Anderson, James Cobb, Andrea King, Lucy Sutton, Dave Whitter

A warm welcome to our visitors! You are invited to complete the visitor registration forms on the back table. Please then place them in the offering box.

SUMMER CAMP 2021 “All Good Gifts!” begins July 5! Check out of “STRC Summer Camp” Facebook page for more info. Our off-island staff arrives this week and they will join our on-island staff for the best summer camp ever!!!! Please pray for the staff and especially for all of the children whose lives will be forever impacted by the good gift of Christ we share with them:

Director: Brittany Bryan

Teachers: Tate and Rachel DeWalt, Amy Himes, Hayley Jennings, Roxanne Rhymer

Group Leaders: Jaela Auguste, Nashibo Benjamin, Jessica Gibs, Sonrisa O’Neal

Swim Staff: Natalia Figueroa, Maddison Wyatt

Floating Jr. Counselor: Dalen Rhymer, Diego Villegas.

STRC is excited to welcome a **new Co-pastor** to work alongside Pastor Jeff. Pastor Ben Rowe and his family (wife: Emily; children: Christine, Gwendolyn, Lydia, & William) plan to arrive on St Thomas early August. His official start date is August 16. Please keep Ben & his family in your prayers as they make this move to become part of our historic church and vibrant faith family!

Join Rev. Rebecca Broom in STRC's worship center as she tells the story of the Great Pearl. From Young Children and Worship. © 1989 Sonja M. Stewart and Jerome W. Berryman Here is the link
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GImCYIqatM&authuser=0>

The offering box is located on the small table at the back of the church. The online link is STRCGIVING.ORG

Bathrooms for the congregation's use are in the Undercroft and inside the gate going to Bakery Square.

The church office will be closed on Mondays.

Lectionary Scripture Readings

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; Ezekiel 2:1-5
Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

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