

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



November 22, 2020

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

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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY!

The liturgical color today is white in celebration of our King, Jesus Christ!

“ We Gather In God’s Presence...”

Greeting and Ministry Opportunities

Call to Worship (*from Matthew 25*)

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

Amen!

Greetings in the name of Christ the King. “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory.”

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.' -- Matthew 25:34

Prayer

Song

‘Crown Him with Many Crowns’

DIADEMATA

**Crown him with many crowns
The Lamb upon his throne
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee
And hail him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity**

**Crown him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die**

**Crown him the Lord of love
Behold his hands and side
Those wounds, yet visible above
In beauty glorified
All hail, Redeemer, hail
For thou hast died for me
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity**

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. We have followed our own ways and the desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us; restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Song

'Whatever You Do'

Gillette

**Whatever you do to the least ones of these
I tell you in truth that you do unto me
Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew
That when we serve others, we also serve you**

**Lord, when did we see you? Your teaching is clear
That when we serve others, we're serving you here
And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain
Then out of the chaos, hope rises again**

Assurance of Pardon

Song

'How Deep the Love of God for Us'

Townend

**How deep the love of God for us
How vast beyond all measure
To sacrifice Your only Son
To make of us Your treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
Our Maker turns and looks away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring all of us to glory**

**Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished**

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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

Dramatized Scripture Reading **Matthew 25: 31 - 46**

Message **"The Cherry on Top!"**

...And Respond with Gratitude

Offering

Offertory **"Children of God"**

Edwards

**Lord, come make us light in darkness
Make us shine with fiery love
Pure and holy, may we only
Magnify Thy name above**

**Let us be Your hands stretched out
To hold all the broken
Let ours be the feet that walk
The road of suffering
Let us have a heart that breaks
With Your compassion for the lost
Oh, may we be what You've called us to be
The children of God**

Lord, send down Thy Spirit on us
May Thy power our portion be
Show Your glory in our weakness
To a world that needeth Thee

Let this world, like a loose fetter
Fall beneath our trembling feet
May all sin and vain attractions
Die before Thy mercy seat

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Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

'Soon & Very Soon'

Crouch

Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We're going to see the King

No more crying there
We are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We're going to see the King

No more dying there
We are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We're going to see the King

**Should there be any rivers we must cross
Should there be any mountains we must climb
God will supply all the strength that we need
Give us grace till we reach the other side**

**Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We're going to see the King**

Benediction

**Children and Worship series preparation:
“Church Tells Time”**

GIVING THANKS:

Leading Worship Today:

Ministers: All of us viewing together
Preaching: Pastor Jeffrey Neevel
Music: Chanelle Schaffer
Live Stream Team: James Anderson, James Cobb, Lucy Sutton

**WELCOME ... thank you for your faithful following
of our online services and commitment to
worshiping the Lord each week with us.**

Lectionary Scripture Readings for this week:

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95:1-7a
Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46**

The Ladies Bible Study is continuing to meet this summer on Wednesday evenings at 6 pm using Zoom. If you are interested in participating please contact Edye Ciaccia at 678-772-5412 for meeting info and Zoom sign in information. All ladies are welcome.

The Men's Ministry Bible Study also meets on Wednesdays using Zoom. They start at 6:30 pm. Please call or email Forrest Broom for more information 340-474-0472 or forrestbroom@gmail.com.

Consistory Nominating Committee

Dear STRC family,

There are two vacant positions on consistory for the coming year, (1 *Deacon*, 1 *Elder*). A nominating committee has been asked to collect names of active members to submit for approval. Elders and deacons, along with the minister of Word and Sacrament, comprise the consistory. **Deacons** are men or women who are called by God and uplifted by the church as those who are leaders in ministries of service, mercy and outreach. **Elders** are men or women who are called by God and uplifted by the church as those who are leaders in ministries of discipleship, worship and spiritual oversight. Please share with the members of the nominating committee your input as to whom you believe would serve our congregation well as an elder or deacon. The committee is in need of and is expecting your prayerful participation in this process! Feel free to contact any of the committee members listed below to nominate an active STRC member.

**Nominations will be accepted until
December 6, 2020.**

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