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in the
CITY OF NEW YORK

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**Welcome to Saint Thomas Church, a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York.
Our mission is to worship, love and serve Our Lord Jesus Christ
through the Anglican tradition and our unique choral heritage.**

The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, *Rector*

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THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 12, 2020

**AN EPIPHANY PROCESSION WITH CAROLS — 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.
together with Festal Eucharist at 11 a.m.**

PRELUDE

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BuxWV 223

Dietrich Buxtehude
(c. 1637-1707)

INTROIT

William Prendergast
(1868-1933)

ARISE, shine, for thy light is come: And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
All the earth shall worship thee, O God: They shall sing praise to thy name, O most Highest.

Winchester Antiphons

HYMN

DIX

- A**S with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to thee.
2. As with joyful steps they sped
To that lowly manger-bed;
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy-seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.
4. Holy Jesus! Every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.
5. In the heav'nly country bright,
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down:
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

THE BIDDING PRAYER

*The People remain standing.
At the end of the Bidding Prayer, the People sit.*

CAROL

*John Joubert
(1927-2019)*

TORCHES, torches, run with torches
All the way to Bethlehem!
Christ is born and now lies sleeping;
Come and sing your song to Him!

Torches, torches, run with torches
All the way to Bethlehem!
Christ is born and now lies sleeping;
Come and sing your song to Him!

Ah, Roro, Roro, my baby
Ah, Roro, my love, Roro;
Sleep you well, my heart's own darling
While we sing you our Roro

Sing, my friends, and make you merry
Joy and mirth and joy again;
Lo, He lives, the King of heaven
Now and evermore. Amen.

based on a Galician Carol

THE FIRST LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

The Wise Men are led by the star to Jesus.

The People remain seated. During the singing of the motet, the Wise Men present their gifts.

MOTET

*Jacobus Clemens non Papa
(c. 1510-1556)*

MAGI veniunt ab Oriente Jerosolimam,
quaerentes et dicentes:
'Ubi est qui natus est, rex Judaeorum,
cujus stellam vidimus?
Et venimus cum muneribus
adorare Dominum.'

*Wise men came from eastern lands to Jerusalem,
and asked, saying:
'Where is he who has been born King of the Jews?
For we saw his star arise,
and have come with gifts to worship him
and acknowledge him the Lord.'*

Responsory for the Offices of Epiphany

COLLECT

The People stand.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

SONGS of thankfulness and praise,
 Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,
 Manifested by the star
 To the sages from afar;
 Branch of royal David's stem
 In thy birth at Bethlehem;
 Anthems be to thee addressed,
 God in man made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream,
 Prophet, Priest and King supreme;
 And at Cana, wedding guest,
 In thy Godhead manifest;
 Manifest in power divine,
 Changing water into wine;
 Anthems be to thee addressed,
 God in man made manifest.

3. Manifest in making whole
 Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
 Manifest in valiant fight,
 Quelling all the devil's might;
 Manifest in gracious will,
 Ever bringing good from ill;
 Anthems be to thee addressed,
 God in man made manifest.

4. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
 Mirrored in thy holy word;
 May we imitate thee now,
 And be pure, as pure art thou;
 That we like to thee may be
 At thy great epiphany;
 And may praise thee, ever blest,
 God in man made manifest.

The People sit and remain seated for the lesson and the carol.

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Saint Luke tells of the Baptism of Jesus.

CAROL

'Epiphany'

Skinner Chávez-Melo
 (1944-1992)

THE night was full of wonder, and the stars above me sang a shimmering song.
 The infant lay sleeping, power and peace like light around Him.
 As I knelt and saw the God before me, for one crystal moment,
 I saw beyond my tiny place in time; I saw what was to come.
 I heard the voices of men and women generations beyond mine and saw them changed
 by this holy birth.
 I felt the earth shaped by His humble words, and saw forgiveness, like a seedling,
 blossom in their hearts.
 And then I knew that my vision was true.
 For as I knelt and saw the God before me, I knew that His powers were also mine:
 to forgive, to worship, to love.

David Pogue

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COLLECT

The People stand.

Officiant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The People sit and remain seated for the lesson and the motet.

THE THIRD LESSON

John 2:1-11

Saint John tells of Jesus' first miracle at Cana of Galilee.

MOTET

Luca Marenzio
(c. 1553-1599)

TRIBUS miraculis ornatum
diem sanctum colimus.
Hodie stella Magos duxit ad praeseptium;
Hodie vinum ex aqua factum
est ad nuptias.
Hodie in Jordane a Joanne
Christus baptizari voluit,
Ut salvaret nos. Alleluia.

*Three are the miracles
we celebrate this day.
On this day by a star the wise men were led to the manger;
On this day wine out of water was brought forth
for the wedding feast.
On this day in Jordan by Saint John's hand
Jesus chose to be baptized
That he might save us. Alleluia.*

Antiphon for the Epiphany

COLLECT

The People stand.

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

HOMILY

The Rector (11 a.m.)
Father Moretz (4 p.m.)

HYMN

DUNDEE

THE people who in darkness walked
have seen a glorious light;
on them broke forth the heavenly dawn
who dwelt in death and night.

2. To hail thy rising, Sun of life,
the gathering nations come,
joyous as when reapers bear
their harvest treasures home.

3. To us the promised Child is born,
to us the Son is given;
him shall the tribes of earth obey,
and all the hosts of heaven.

4. His name shall be the Prince of Peace
forevermore adored,
the Wonderful, the Counselor,
the Mighty God and Lord.

5. His power increasing still shall spread,
his reign no end shall know;
justice shall guard his throne above,
and peace abound below.

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

GREETINGS

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Jonathan Dove
(b. 1959)

SEEK him that maketh the seven stars and Orion
and turneth the shadow of death into the morning.
Alleluia, Yea, the darkness shineth as the day, the night is light about me.
Seek him that turneth the shadow of death into the morning. Amen.

Amos 5:8; Psalm 139

At the 4 p.m. service, please turn to page 6 for the Blessing.

FESTAL EUCHARIST

SETTING

Missa Sancti Nicolai

Franz Josef Haydn
(1732-1809)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant sings the Proper Preface.

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir.

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer which concludes

O Father Almighty, world without end.
People AMEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven.
Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-pas-ses,
as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion,
but de-liv-er us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom,
and the power and the glo - ry, for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
People Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed at the High Altar and, for convenience and accessibility,
also at the Chantry Chapel Altar. Gluten-free hosts are available; please ask the priest at the altar rail.*

**AT THE COMMUNION, AGNUS DEI
AND MOTET**

Paul Edwards
(b. 1955)

Small wonder the star.
small wonder the light,
the angels in chorus,
the shepherds in fright;
but stable and manger for God -
no small wonder!

Small wonder the kings,
small wonder they bore
the gold and the incense,
the myrrh, to adore;
but God gives his life on a cross -
no small wonder!

Small wonder the love,
small wonder the grace,
the power, the glory,
the light of his face;
but all to redeem my poor heart -
no small wonder!

Paul Wigmore

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all, kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

People Amen.

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.

AT THE PROCESSION, HYMN

MORNING STAR

BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

3. Shall we then yield him, in costly devotion,
Odors of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?

4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

VOLUNTARY

Épiphanie

Gaston Litaize
(1909-1991)

Healing and intercessory prayer will be offered by clergy and trained lay volunteers in the Chantry Chapel at the conclusion of today's 11 a.m. service for anyone who desires it.

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5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Jordan Prescott
Baltimore, Maryland

The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:
Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Mary Jane Little and George Stevens Schermerborn.

DAILY OFFICE AND MASS

Monday through Friday Services: 8 a.m., 12:10 and 5:30 p.m.

(The Tuesday 12:10 p.m. Healing Eucharist includes the laying on of hands and anointing of the sick)

Choral Evensong on Tuesday, January 14, at 5:30 p.m.

Choral Evensong on Wednesday, January 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Choral Evensong on Thursday, January 16, at 5:30 p.m.

Feast of the Confession of Saint Peter, Saturday Eucharist: 12:10 p.m.

Prayers at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue

Monday through Saturday at 12 p.m.

*Intercessions may be sent via the website by using the Prayer Request Tab
or by leaving a written request in the box near the Shrine itself.*

Confessions in the Resurrection Chapel, Saturday, January 18 from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Confessor – Mother Turner

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 – THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

8 A.M. SAID EUCHARIST

9 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

Sermon by Mother Turner

11 A.M. FESTAL EUCHARIST

Sermon by Father Cheng

4 P.M. FESTAL EVENSONG

Sermon by Sister Promise Atelon SSM

5:15 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Jeremy Filsell
Organist and Director of Music

PARISH NOTICES

If you are a visitor this morning, **we welcome you to Saint Thomas Church** and hope that you are with us again soon. We encourage you to complete a Welcome Card which you can find in the narthex at the front of the church.

You are invited to a **Coffee Hour**, which takes place in Andrew Hall following this service. To get there, take the Great Staircase to your left at the front of the nave. Also, if you would like to hear from us, please sign the Parish Guest Book.

There is a **guided tour** of the church following the voluntary at the end of this service. To join the tour, please meet the tour guide by the gallery stairs in the narthex.

Nursery: We welcome our youngest members and guests to Saint Thomas Church. Nursery care is available for infants and young children of parents attending the 9 and 11 a.m. liturgies. If your child would like to attend the nursery, please ask one of our ushers or staff who will kindly direct you. Once at the nursery, parents will be asked to sign their children in and will receive a silent pager for use during the service.

Sunday School. Children who are in pre-school through 6th grade are invited to attend Sunday School classes at Saint Thomas Church. Class usually meets on Sundays at 11 a.m., and the children are brought down to church during the service prior to Holy Communion. Registration is open for both Nursery and Sunday school using an online form found on the Saint Thomas website under Families/Sunday School. **Family Feast.** Please join us at 10 a.m. today for a time of fellowship and food in the living room of the parish house.

A quiet area is available in the Chantry Chapel for **Children and Families** who wish to worship together. Accompanied young children are welcome to use this space during the 9 and 11 a.m. liturgies, where they are invited to enjoy a range of Bible stories and soft toys.

Saint Thomas Celebrates Burns Night on Friday, January 24, at 7 p.m. in beautiful Bonnell Hall at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. Save the date because this is an evening you will not want to miss (in black tie or Scottish themed-dress). After a reception with wine and delicious hors d'oeuvres, we will have a traditional Scottish dinner accompanied by great music and dancing. You can purchase a single ticket for \$75, and we will seat you or you can reserve a table for 10 people for \$700. You can reserve online or leave a check at reception. Please include your phone number. It is to your advantage to reserve in December, as this event will be offered to a few groups outside of the parish in January. All reservations and cancellations must be made by 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21.

The Bookstore and Gift shop is located on the first floor of the parish house, and is open following the 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. services. New in stock: *Strength to Love* by Martin Luther King Jr., along with Children's books: *The Shady Tree* and *Mozart: Gift of God*, both by Demi. Also in stock: recommended books for reading for the Pilgrims' Course 2020 and the 2020 Christian Pocket Diary. Major credit cards accepted. Contact: Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org.

The Soup Kitchen meets every Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the parish house to prepare bag lunches for distribution on foot along eight routes in mid-Manhattan beginning at 11 a.m. Distribution is completed about 12:15 p.m. You are welcome to join this ministry to the homeless. For further information, please contact Frank Reinauer 212-249-4026.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Theology Class. Today, at 10 a.m., on the fifth floor of the parish house, Fr. Cheng will begin a three-part series on the **theology of Martin Luther King Jr.** Key themes from Dr. King's sermons, including sin, love, and the church, will be explored. Today's class will explore the influences of the **Social Gospel Movement and Christian Realism** on Dr. King's theology. The class will be using the text *Strength to Love*, which is available for purchase in the Bookstore. Next Sunday, January 19, the class will explore **Dr. King's ecclesiology**, or theology of the church, through his sermon "A Knock at Midnight," found on pp. 53-64 in *Strength to Love*.

Pilgrims' Course 2020. Newcomers to Saint Thomas Church and those not yet members of the church are invited to our "**Pilgrims' Course**," which is a comprehensive introduction to the Christian faith, as received and understood by the Episcopal Church. The first session will be held this Tuesday, January 14, at 6:30 p.m. Each session will begin with a simple meal at 6:30 p.m., and the class itself will run from 7 to 8 p.m. The sessions continue on most Tuesday evenings through May 19. Bishop Allen Shin will visit on Sunday, May 17, at 11 a.m., to confirm and receive candidates. Although the course is specifically designed for **adults who are considering baptism, confirmation, or reception** into the Episcopal Church, it is fitting for anyone who wishes to explore Christianity or to deepen his or her faith. A postcard containing the course schedule is available in the narthex and at reception. Please email Father Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org if you would like to attend the class.

Friday Bible Study. All are welcome to join the parish's Friday lunchtime Bible Study. Under the guidance of Fr. Bennett, the class runs for an hour in the parish house living room following the 12:10 p.m. Mass. The class is currently studying the Gospel According to St. John, including an in-depth exploration of the text as a group.