



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

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*

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

FESTAL EVENSONG — 3 p.m.
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

PRELUDE

Adagio in E, H. 63

Frank Bridge
(1879-1941)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

John Scott
(1956-2015)

Priest O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Priest O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Priest Praise ye the Lord.

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM 145

Sung by the Choir.

Plainsong (Tone VII^b)

I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King;* and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee;* and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised;* there is no end of his greatness.
4 One generation shall praise thy works unto another,* and declare thy power.
5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship,* thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts;* and I will also tell of thy greatness.
7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed;* and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
8 The Lord is gracious and merciful,* long-suffering, and of great goodness.
9 The Lord is loving unto every man;* and his mercy is over all his works.
10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord;* and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom,* and talk of thy power;
12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom,* might be known unto men.
13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,* and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
14 The Lord upholdeth all such as fall,* and lifteth up all those that are down.
15 The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord;* and thou givest them their meat in due season.
16 Thou openest thine hand,* and fillest all things living with plenteousness.
17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways,* and holy in all his works.
18 The Lord is high unto all them that call upon him;* yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.
19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him;* he also will hear their cry, and will help them.
20 The Lord preserveth all them that love him;* but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;* and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name
for ever and ever.

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.

The People stand for the Magnificat.

HYMN

Sung by the Choir.

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

O GRACIOUS Light, Lord Jesus Christ, in you the Father's glory shone.
Immortal, holy blest is he, and blest are you, his holy Son.

2. Now sunset comes, but light shines forth, the lamps are lit to pierce the night.
Praise Father, Son, and Spirit: God who dwells in the eternal light.
3. Worthy are you of endless praise, O Son of God, Life-giving Lord;
where-fore you are through all the earth and in the highest heaven adored.

MAGNIFICAT

The Second Service
Sung by the Choir.

Philip Moore
(b. 1943)

MY SOUL doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. 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.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 21:1-13

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Apostles' Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Second Service
Sung by the Choir.

Philip Moore

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel
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.

APOSTLES' CREED

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church: The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSES

John Scott

Priest The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Priest Let us pray.
Choir Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR FATHER, which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Priest O Lord, save the State;
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Priest Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Priest O Lord, save thy people;
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Priest Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
Priest O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

SERMON The Rev. Sister Marie Promise Atelon SSM
Deacon

ANTHEM *Sung by the Choir.* C.H.H. Parry
 (1848-1918)

MUSIC the fiercest grief can charm,
 And Fate's severest rage disarm;
 Music can soften pain to ease,
 And make despair and madness please:
 Our joys below it can improve,
 And antedate the bliss above.
 This the divine Cecilia found,
 And to her Maker's praise confined the sound.
 When the full organ joins the tuneful choir,
 The immortal powers incline their ear;
 Borne on the swelling notes our souls aspire,
 While solemn airs improve the sacred fire;
 And angels lean from heaven to hear.
 Of Orpheus now no more let poets tell,
 To bright Cecilia greater power is given;
 His numbers raised a shade from hell,
 Hers lift the soul to heaven.

Alexander Pope

FINAL PRAYERS

BLESSING

POSTLUDE Prelude and Fugue on a Theme of Vittoria

Benjamin Britten
 (1913-1976)

Fall 2020 Digital Concert Season

On Saturday, December 5, at 3 p.m., *Concerts at Saint Thomas* presents our 3rd Grand Organ Series Recital of the Fall 2020 Season which features Associate Organist, Nicolas Haigh, playing Messiaen's evergreen "La Nativité du Seigneur" on the Miller-Scott Organ. We hope you will join us for Nicolas' first recital at Saint Thomas Church since joining us this past February.

For tickets and more information, please visit us online at www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts. All of the concerts on our Fall 2020 Concert Series will be presented online.

Coffee Hour

We continue to host our "Virtual Coffee Hour" which will use the ZOOM platform to host a virtual meeting at 12:45 p.m. Contact Fr. Moretz at MMoretz@SaintThomasChurch.org to learn more and receive login credentials.

Children and Families' Gatherings

Sunday Zoom! continues at 10:15 am. today. If you know a family that would like to receive our regular newsletter or need login details for Sunday Zoom! or Faith Alive, contact **Mother Turner** at ATurner@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Friday Online Bible Study

All are welcome to join the parish's ongoing **Friday Online Bible Study** via ZOOM. The class begins at 1:30 p.m. and runs for an hour. The class is currently studying the **Gospel According to St. John**. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org

The Church is open

Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

(Face coverings, hand sanitization, health screening, and 6 ft. distancing required for entry)

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions) and Holy Eucharist*

Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m.

(Contact tracing is mandatory to attend Mass)

**Live audio stream webcast continues,
and then be available on-demand.*

Please send your requests for prayers

via the website [click here](#)

or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry

(Resurrection Chapel: Mother Turner)

Saturday from 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church

(need to wear a mask;

chairs will be placed at an appropriate distance)

Young Adult Group Discussion then Compline:

Monday evenings *(see email group or Facebook page for details)*

Evening Prayer and Meditation*

(*Cancelled this week due to Thanksgiving)

(Contact Fr. Spencer: ASpencer@SaintThomasChurch.org for details).

✘ THANKSGIVING DAY – NOVEMBER 26

**11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir**
(with video livestream, and, thereafter, on-demand)

Celebrant, The Rector

Preacher, Bp. Andrew St. John

✘ NEXT SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 29 The First Sunday of Advent

9 a.m. Said Eucharist (Rite II) (High Altar)

Celebrant, Mo. Turner

Preacher, Fr. Moretz

*(Pre-registration preferred to ensure seating
and to save time upon arrival)*

[Register by following this link.](#)

10 a.m. Adult Education, 12-week course on

The Nicene Creed continues with Fr. Cheng via the ZOOM Platform ([Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class.

You can also contact Fr. Cheng at PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information.)

*To access **videos** from previous classes and other Theology information, [click here](#).*

10:15 a.m. Children and Families' Sunday Zoom!

(see Children & Families notice above for further details)

**11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist
sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir**

(with video livestream, and, thereafter, on-demand)

Preacher, Fr. Moretz

*(Pre-registration preferred to ensure seating
and to save time upon arrival)*

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**3 p.m. (note time) A Sequence of Readings, Poems,
and Music for Advent (High Altar)**

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

(with video livestream, and, thereafter, on-demand)

*(Pre-registration preferred to ensure seating
and to save time upon arrival)*

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