



SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the
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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 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 24, 2021

FESTAL EVENSONG — 3 p.m.
sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

PRELUDE

Intermezzo in A-flat

T. Tertius Noble
(1867-1953)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Plainsong (Sarum)

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.
Priest Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir 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 96

Sung by the Choir.

Plainsong (Tone VIII²)

O SING unto the Lord a new song;* sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
2 Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name;* be telling of his salvation from day to day.
3 Declare his honour unto the heathen,* and his wonders unto all people.
4 For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised;* he is more to be feared than all gods.
5 As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols;* but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
6 Glory and worship are before him;* power and honour are in his sanctuary.
7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people,* ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name;* bring presents, and come into his courts.
9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;* let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
10 Tell it out among the heathen, that the Lord is King, and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved;* and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;* let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it,* then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
13 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth;* and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.
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.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 13:2-18

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

THE EIGHTH TUNE



1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O



you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

This hymn may be sung unaccompanied as a four-part canon at a distance of one measure.

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MAGNIFICAT IN FAUXBOURDON

Sung by the Choir.

Thomas Morley
(c. 1557-1602)

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.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON

John 5:2-18

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed

NUNC DIMITTIS IN FAUXBOURDON

Sung by the Choir.

Thomas Morley

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.

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.

O UR 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 those 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

G IVE us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE SECOND COLLECT

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 THIRD COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

L IGHTEN 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.*

The People sit

ANTHEM

'A PRAYER'
Sung by the Choir.

Richard Lloyd
(b. 1933)

LORD, I would give this all of me
That I might live awhile in Thee:
That more and more this heart of mine
Might Thee adore and be all Thine.

Lord, I would give this all of me
If I might live awhile in Thee:
If more and more this heart of mine
Might Thee adore and be all Thine.

Wilt Thou then take a gift so small
That for Thy sake is none at all?
E'en such as I, blind, foolish, dumb.
Lord, bid Thy servant come.

Irene Cavanaugh

SERMON

The Rector

HYMN

GENERAL SEMINARY



1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;
2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

Tenor or soprano ad libitum
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.
and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.

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Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

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thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.
and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.
e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

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THE BLESSING

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on St. Clement, from 'Fanfare'

Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education begins a new online series today at 10 a.m. on The Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians with Fr. Cheng via the Zoom Platform. [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings

Faith Alive (ages 11+) will meet via Zoom this Sunday at 9:30 a.m. **Sunday Zoom!** continues this Sunday at 10:15 a.m. This week we will continue to reflect on Jesus' call: *Come Follow Me* and MLK's commitment to do so. If you know a family that would like to receive our regular newsletter or to obtain login information for either the Sunday Zoom! or Faith Alive, contact **Mother Turner** at ATurner@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Pilgrims' Course 2021 is a comprehensive introduction to the Christian faith as received and understood by the Episcopal Church. The course is taught by the Rector and Fr. Cheng over Zoom, and meets most Tuesdays until May. This week's topic is **God the Holy Spirit: Being "Fully Alive" with the Gifts of the Spirit**. [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

On Saturday, February 6, at 3 p.m., *Concerts at Saint Thomas* presents pianist Adam Golka in the next installment of the 32@32 concert series, **The Complete Beethoven Sonatas V: The Grandest Monument to the Piano**. This FREE concert will be presented from the church via livestream and will be available on-demand for one month after the performance. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make your donation with our team, email concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or call 212-664-9360. [Dupré and Beethoven Series Packages](#) are available for the **Beethoven 32@32 Series** (Recitals V-VIII) and **Marcel Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ Series** (Recitals II-VI). For more information about our 2021 offerings, visit www.saintthomaschurch.org/music/concerts.

We are pleased to announce that The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boy's newest CD, entitled **'The Music of Gerre Hancock'** is now available to our valued Parishioners and Friends of Music. We are offering this special pre-release of our newest CD for \$15 each plus shipping and taxes, where applicable, or take advantage of our discount pricing of two for \$25.00 or three for \$30. Order yours today by emailing Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org and be sure to include the following: full name, address, phone number, CD order request. We will call you at the phone number provided to process your payment.

The Bookstore and Gift Shop is selling an inscribed Saint Thomas Church, 3-Ply Face Mask for \$8 plus shipping and taxes, where applicable. The mask may be purchased by sending an email to the Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org. Please be sure to include your full name, address, telephone number and mask request. We will contact you at the number provided to process your payment.

Friday Online Bible Study continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org.

THE STRATEGIC PLAN

We are pleased to announce the publication of the Saint Thomas Strategic Plan. The plan will inform all decision-making and activities as we seek to fulfill our mission. Visit our website where you can view the full-color booklet outlining the process, goals, and steps toward implementation.

The printing and mailing of the Plan was generously underwritten, and all parishioners and Church and Choir School supporters will receive their copy in the coming weeks.

On the website you will also find the survey results from Wellspring Consulting and a beautiful short film created by Blake Martin.

Here is a link to the webpage: <https://www.saintthomaschurch.org/strategicplan/>

SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

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 (Contact details are mandatory to attend Mass)

Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m.

In-person, live audio stream and then on-demand.

Please send your requests for prayers via the website [click here](#) or emailed to: prayer@saintthomaschurch.org

✠ CHORAL EVENSONGS

(These services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

Wednesday, January 27 at 5:30 p.m. – John Chrysostom

sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

Thursday, January 28 at 5:30 p.m. – Thomas Aquinas

sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

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

(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 with Sister Promise

Thursday at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Platform

(Contact Sr. Promise: SrPromise@SaintThomasChurch.org for details)

✠ SUNDAY, JANUARY 31
The Fourth Sunday after The Epiphany

(NOTE: all service are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

Preacher: Mo. Turner

3 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Sr. Promise

ASSISTING CLERGY

The Reverend Matthew Moretz, *Associate Rector*
and Interim Director of Administration

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