



# 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*

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 9, 2021

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

**COVID-19.** Please note that **only the choir and ministers will sing the hymns – the congregation must not join in the singing.** We apologize for any disappointment this may cause and encourage you to join your prayers with those of the choir and ministers who will sing on your behalf. Responses and acclamations should be sung or spoken **very quietly.**

*The Rector and Wardens*

**PRELUDE**

Adagio molto from 'Sonata Eroica,' Op.151

*Charles Villiers Stanford*  
(1852-1924)

*At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.*

**VERSICLES AND RESPONSES**

*Kenneth Leighton*  
(1929-1988)

*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 47, 48**

*Sung by the Choir*

*Anglican Chant (Ives, Tredinnick)*

**O** SING unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.  
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.  
Declare his honour unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.  
For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.  
As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols: but it is the Lord that made the heavens.  
Glory and worship are before him: power and honour are in his sanctuary.  
Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people: ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.  
Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name: bring presents, and come into his courts.  
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.  
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.  
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad: let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.  
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.  
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.

**G**REAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.  
 The hill of Zion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth:  
 upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King;  
 God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.  
 For lo, the kings of the earth: are gathered, and gone by together.  
 They marvelled to see such things: they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.  
 Fear came there upon them, and sorrow: as upon a woman in her travail.  
 Thou shalt break the ships of the sea: through the east-wind.  
 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God:  
 God upholdeth the same for ever.  
 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple.  
 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end:  
 thy right hand is full of righteousness.  
 Let the mount Zion rejoice, and the daughters of Judah be glad: because of thy judgements.  
 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: and tell the towers thereof.  
 Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses: that ye may tell them that come after.  
 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto death.  
 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

Leviticus 25:1-17

*The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.*

OFFICE HYMN

*Sung by the Choir*

AURORA LUCIS



1. The day draws on with gold - en light, Glad songs go\_\_ echo - ing through the height,  
 2. For lo, he comes, the might - y King, To take from\_\_ death his power and sting,  
 3. En-closed he lay in rock - y cell, With guard of\_\_ arm - ed sen - ti - nel;  
 4. The sad A - pos - tles mourn him slain. Nor hope to\_\_ see their Lord\_\_ a - gain,  
 5. Mak - er of all, to thee we pray, Ful - fil in\_\_ us thy joy\_\_ to - day;



The broad earth lifts an an - swering cheer, And hell\_\_ makes moan with wail - ing\_\_ fear.  
 To tram - ple down his gloom - y\_\_ reign, And break the wear - y\_\_ pris - oner's chain.  
 But thence re - turn - ing strong and\_\_ free, He comes in might of\_\_ vic - to - ry.  
 When, to their ver - y eyes\_\_ re - stored. They look up - on\_\_ the\_\_ ris - en\_\_ Lord.  
 When death as - sails, grant, Lord, that\_\_ we May share thy Pas - chal\_\_ vic - to - ry.



(6.) A - men.

6. To thee who, dead, again dost live,  
 All glory, Lord, thy people give,  
 All glory to the Father be  
 And Spirit blest, eternally. Amen.

MAGNIFICAT

Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense

*Herbert Howells*  
 (1892-1983)

**M**Y 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

Matthew 13:24-34a

*The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense

*Herbert Howells*

**L**ORD, 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, in 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

**O** GOD, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

*Sung by the Choir*

*Charles Villiers Stanford*

**F**OR lo I raise up that bitter and hasty nation,  
which march through the breadth of the earth,  
to possess the dwelling places that are not theirs.  
They are terrible and dreadful,  
their judgment and their dignity proceed from themselves.  
Their horses also are swifter than leopards,  
and are more fierce than the evening wolves,  
and their horsemen spread themselves,  
yea, their horsemen come from far.  
They fly as an eagle that hasteth to devour,  
they come all of them for violence;  
their faces are set as the east wind,  
and they gather captives as the sand.  
Yea, he scoffeth at kings and princes are a derision unto him  
for he heapeth up dust and taketh it  
then shall he sweep by as a wind that shall  
pass over and be guilty even he whose might is his God.  
Art not thou from everlasting,  
O Lord my God, mine Holy One?  
We shall not die.  
O Lord, thou hast ordained him for judgement  
and thou, O Rock, hast established him for correction  
I will stand upon my watch and set me upon the tower  
and look forth to see what he will say to me  
and what I shall answer concerning my complaint.  
And the Lord answered me and said,  
The vision is yet for the appointed time,  
and it hasteth toward the end and shall not lie  
though it tarry, wait for it, because it will surely come.  
For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge  
of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.  
But the Lord is in his holy temple:  
let all the earth keep silence before Him.

*from Habakkuk 1&2*

SERMON

The Rev. Matthew Moretz  
Associate Rector

HYMN

Sung by the Choir

GELOBT SEI GOTT

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joi - ce and sing! Now is the  
 \*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that  
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joi - ce and say:  
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE BLESSING

**T**HE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Paean

*Kenneth Leighton*

## PARISH NOTICES

**Adult Education** Fr. Cheng continues his exploration of the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. Often described as Paul's most personal letter, Second Corinthians addresses themes of suffering, generosity, and authentic ministry. First time attendees should [RSVP here](#). If you would like more information about this series, please contact Fr. Cheng at [PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org).

### **Children and Families' Gatherings**

All families are welcome to join a special, Mother's Day **Sunday Zoom!** at 10:15 a.m. today. 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](mailto:ATurner@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Pilgrims' Course 2021** continues this Tuesday, May 11. The course 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: **Hope: Death, Eternal Life, Mary, and the Communion of Saints**. Please [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at [PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:PCcheng@SaintThomasChurch.org).

Join us on Saturday, May 22, at 3 p.m. as **Concerts at Saint Thomas** welcomes back pianist Adam Golka for the seventh concert in the **32@32: The Complete Beethoven Piano Sonatas** series. Coming this Fall, Jeremy Filsell will complete his journey through the organ music of Marcel Dupré with concerts VII-IX of the **Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ** series. For in-person or digital tickets to all of these concerts and more information, please visit us [Here](#). Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a *Friend of Music*. To make your donation with our team, email [Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org) or call 212-664-9360.

**The Bookstore and Gift Shop** is selling an inscribed Saint Thomas Church, 3-Ply Face Mask with removal PM 2.5 filter for \$8 plus shipping and taxes, where applicable. The mask may be purchased by sending an email to the [Bookstore@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto: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 Eastertide Bible Study** continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. The class is currently studying Dr. Amy-Jill Levine's book, **Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven**. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at [RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org).

## SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

**The Church is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

*Face masks, 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.**

*Open to the Public, live audio stream and then on-demand.*

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

### ✠ WEEKDAY SERVICES

**Tuesday, May 11, at 5:30 p.m. – Rogation Tuesday**  
**Choral Evensong**

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

*this service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand*

**Wednesday, May 12, at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Festal Evensong for the Eve of Ascension Day**

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

*this service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand*

**Thursday, May 13, at 5:30 p.m. – Ascension Day**  
**Solemn Eucharist**

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

*Open to the Public, video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand*

### **Rosary Group**

**Saturday at 10 a.m. via Zoom.** (email [MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org) for more information)

### **Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry** in the Resurrection Chapel

**Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: The Rector**

*(need to wear a mask; chairs will be placed at an appropriate distance)*

### **Young Adult Group Compline:**

**Tuesday evenings** (email [YoungAdults@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:YoungAdults@SaintThomasChurch.org) for more information)

### **Evening Prayer and Meditation** with Sister Promise SSM

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

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

**☒ SUNDAY, MAY 16**  
**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*Services open to the public – please pre-register for 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.*

*(NOTE: Choral service are also video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)*

**9 a.m. Said Mass**

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

**Preacher: The Rector**

**3 p.m. Festal Evensong**  
*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

**Preacher: Mo. Turner**

**ASSISTING CLERGY**

The Reverend Matthew Moretz, *Associate Rector  
and Interim Director of Administration*  
The Reverend Alison J. Turner,  
*Associate for Children and Family Ministry*  
The Reverend Dr. Patrick S. Cheng,  
*Theologian in Residence*  
The Reverend Ryan Bennett, *Assistant Priest*  
The Reverend Sr. Marie Promise Atelon SSM,  
*Assistant Priest*

**STAFF**

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Aaron W. Koch, *Head Verger*  
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The Reverend Gina Gore, *Honorary Assistant*  
The Reverend Canon Anne Mallonee, *Honorary Assistant*  
The Reverend David F. Mc Neeley, *Honorary Assistant*  
The Reverend William A. Norgren, *Honorary Assistant*  
The Reverend Thomas F. Pike, *Honorary Assistant*  
The Rev. Canon Prof. J. Robert Wright, *Honorary Assistant*

**THE VESTRY**

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