

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 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

CHORAL EUCHARIST – 11 a.m. sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

SETTING Messe Brève Théodore Dubois

(1837-1924)

PRELUDE Andante, from Symphonie no. 1, Op. 14

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

A LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

KYRIE ELEISON

Sung by the Choir.

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Lord, have mercy upon us.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The People sit.

THE LESSON Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

The Lector concludes The Word of the Lord. The People respond Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:23-32 Sung by the Choir. Plainsong (Tone II¹)

PRAISE the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;

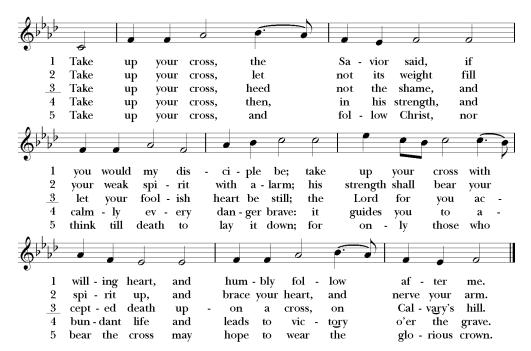
- For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor: he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
- 25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
- The poor shall eat and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
- All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
- 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the people.
- 29 All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten and worshipped.
- All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.
- 31 My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
- They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness:
 unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.
 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 EPISTLE Romans 4:13-25

The Subdeacon concludes
The People respond
Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

HYMN BOURBON



THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON The Rector

THE NICENE CREED

People

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM IV)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The People kneel. After each petition

Leader Lord, in thy mercy. People Hear our prayer.

After a period of silence, the Celebrant concludes with this collect

A LMIGHTY God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption: Give us courage, we beseech thee, to take up our cross and follow him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

A LMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE GREETINGS The Rector

THE ADMISSION OF A CHORISTER

The Interim Head of School presents a Boy for admission:

Reverend Father, I present to you William Hanoian, to be admitted Chorister of this Church of Saint Thomas Fifth Avenue.

The Rector asks the Boy to be admitted the following:

Do you desire to be admitted a Chorister of this Church?

The Boy answers:

I do.

The Rector says:

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, I admit you, William, as a Chorister of this Church. Amen.

After receiving his Surplice, the Director of Music hands to the Rector a Hymnal for the Boy. The Rector says:

Remember always that what you sing with your lips, you should believe in your heart, and what you believe in your heart, you should practice in your life. *Amen*.

When the Hymnal has been distributed, the Rector says:

Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who makes us both to will and to do those things that are good and acceptable unto thee: We offer our prayers to thee for thy servant here present, and more especially for him who has now been admitted to a place in the Choir of this Church. Let thy fatherly hand ever be over him; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with him; and so lead him in the knowledge and obedience of thy holy word that, in the end, he may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

The Rector says the offertory sentence

O Sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

'A Prayer'

Richard Lloyd (b. 1933)

ORD, I would give this all of me
That I might live awhile in Thee:
That more and more this heard 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 little servant come.

Irene Cavenaugh (1882-1960)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift 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 Preface

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir.

Sanctus, Sanctus Holy, holy, holy, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.

Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

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

Celebrant and People

Our Father, who 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 who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir.

A GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

grant us thy peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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 shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those unable to receive Holy Communion)

BELIEVE in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar; I love thee above all things, and I desire to receive thee into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee, and I unite myself to thee as if thou wast already there.

Never permit me to be separated from thee!

O Lord Jesus Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of thy love absorb my whole soul, that I may die for the love of thee, who wast pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.

AT THE COMMUNION, MOTET

Sung by the Choir.

Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

Let him who seeks not cease seeking until he finds, and when he finds he shall be troubled, and when he is troubled he will marvel, and he shall rule over the earth.

A LMIGHTY 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

The Celebrant says

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

HYMN HOLLINGSIDE



Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt. Music: Hollingside, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

We congratulate

William Hanoian who was admitted as a Chorister today.

THIS AFTERNOON

3 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Lenten Sermon Series - 'Dreams and Visions'

II: Isaiah's Call

Preacher: Sr. Promise

*This service is video livestreamed and then available on-demand.

PARISH NOTICES

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 Adam MacDonald at AMacDonald@SaintThomasChurch.org to learn more and receive login credentials.

Adult Education series on the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians continues this Sunday at 10 am. Often described as St. Paul's most emotional letter, Second Corinthians addresses powerful themes about suffering, strength in weakness, generosity, and authentic ministry. We will examine how these themes are relevant to our lives today. Click here to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings

Young teens are welcome to join **Faith Alive** at 9:30 a.m. today, and all families are welcome to join **Sunday Zoom!** at 10:15 a.m. Throughout Lent, we will focus on new ways of praying. 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**.

<u>Pilgrims' Course 2021</u> continues this Tuesday, March 2. 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: **The History of the Church 1:**From House Church to Established Religion. Please <u>Click here</u> to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at <u>PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.</u>

On Saturday, March 6, at 3 p.m., Concerts at Saint Thomas presents Organist and Director of Music, Jeremy Filsell, playing <u>Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ II</u> on the Miller-Scott Organ. This is the second concert in this FREE series of 9 concerts that will be presented from the church via livestream. <u>Ticket packages</u> for Concerts at Saint Thomas' 2021 digital concert presentations are available for both the **Beethoven 32@32 Series** (Recitals VI-VIII) and Marcel Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ Series (Recitals II-VI). Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a Friend of Music. To make your donation with our team, email <u>concerts@saintthomaschurch.org</u> or call 212-664-9360. 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.

<u>Friday Lenten Book Study</u>. During the season of Lent, this 1:30 p.m. class on Fridays over Zoom will study Dr. Amy-Jill Levine's book, Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven. The class runs for about an hour. For more information, contact Fr. Bennett at <u>RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org</u>.

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.

<u>Shrine Prayers (Intercessions) and Holy Eucharist (Contact details are mandatory to attend Mass)</u> <u>Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m.</u>

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

(NOTE: these services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

Wednesday, March 4 at 5:30 p.m. sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

Thursday, March 5 at 5:30 p.m. sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

★ COMPLINE WITH REFLECTIVE PRAYER

Friday, March 5 at 5:30 p.m.

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

(This service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

Rosary Group - The Sorrowful Mysteries

Saturday at 10 a.m. via Zoom. (email MBrown@SaintThomasChurch.org for more information)

<u>Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry</u> 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:

Monday evenings (email <u>YoungAdults@SaintThomasChurch.org</u> 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 for details)

★ SUNDAY, MARCH 7 The Third Sunday in Lent

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11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Mo. Turner

3 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir

Lenten Sermon Series - 'Dreams and Visions'

III: Water from the Side of the Temple

Preacher: Bp. Andrew St. John

ASSISTING CLERGY

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and Interim Director of Administration
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The Reverend Dr. Patrick S. Cheng,
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The Reverend Ryan Bennett, Assistant Priest
The Reverend Sr. Marie Promise Atelon SSM, Deacon

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