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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 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 16, 2021

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

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

Ode

Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)

At the entry of the Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

John Scott
(1956-2015)
Organist of Saint Thomas Church (2004-2015)

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.
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 84

Sung by the Choir

Plainsong (Tone 1²)

O **H**OW amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.
Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.
Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water.
They will go from strength to strength: and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed.
For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.
I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
For the Lord God is a light and defence: the Lord will give grace and worship,
and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.
 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

Exodus 3:1-12

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

Sung by the Choir

AD CENAM AGNI



1. E - ter - nal Mon - arch King most high,
 2. As - cend - ing to the throne of might,
 3. Yea, an - gels trem - ble when they see
 4. Be thou our joy and strong de - fence,
 5. O ri - sen Christ, as - cend - ed Lord,



Whose blood hath brought re - demp - tion nigh,
 And seat - ed at the Fa - ther's right,
 How changed is our hu - man - i - ty;
 Who art our fu - ture rec - om - pense:
 All praise to thee let earth ac - cord,



By whom the death of Death was wrought
 All power in heaven is Je - su's own,
 For flesh hath purged what flesh had stained,
 So shall the light that springs from thee
 Who art, while end - less a - ges run,



And con - quering gra - ce's bat - tle fought:
 That here his man - hood had not known.
 And God, the flesh of God, hath reigned.
 Be ours through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 With Fa - ther and with Spir - it One. A - men.

MAGNIFICAT

The Lichfield Service

Mark Shepherd
 (b. 1961)

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

Matthew 10:24-33, 40-42

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Lichfield Service

Mark Shepherd

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.

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

O GOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven:

We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *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

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.*

The People sit.

ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Charles Giffen
(b. 1940)

NON vos relinquam orphanos. Alleluia.
Vado, et venio ad vos. Alleluia.
Et gaudebit, cor vestrum. Alleluia.

I will not leave you comfortless. Alleluia.
I go, and I will come to you. Alleluia.
And your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

Magnificat Antiphon for First Vespers at Pentecost

SERMON

The Rev. Alison Turner
Associate for Children and Family Ministry

HYMN

Sung by the Choir

DIADEMATA

Descant

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en-throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now
5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

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THE BLESSING

CHRISt our ascended King pour upon you the abundance of his gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Pièce d'Orgue, BWV 572

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education Fr. Cheng concludes 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.

Children and Families' Gatherings. All families are welcome to join **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.

Pilgrims' Course 2021 concludes this Tuesday, May 18. 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. This week's topic is: **Praying with All the Senses**. Please [Click here](#) to RSVP for the online class or contact Fr. Cheng at 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. On Saturday, June 5, at 3 p.m., Jeremy Filsell will play the sixth concert in the **Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ** series. For in-person or digital tickets to both of these concerts and for information about future concerts, 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 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. 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.

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

✠ **WEEKDAY CHORAL EVENSONG**

(NOTE: this service will be video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand)

Thursday, May 20 at 5:30 p.m.

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Rosary Group

Saturday at 10 a.m. via Zoom. (email 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 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, MAY 23**

THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

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. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Fr. Moretz

3 p.m. Solemn Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Andrew St. John

Bishop in Residence

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