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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*

INDEPENDENCE DAY

JULY 4, 2021

FESTAL EUCHARIST – 11 a.m.
Mass for Organ, from 12 Stücke, Op. 59 by Max Reger

PRELUDE

Kyrie eleison, no. 7

Max Reger
(1873-1916)

The People stand at the entry of the Sacred Ministers.

HYMN

NATIONAL HYMN

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y
2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;
way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay,
thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,
fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY 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.*

FOR THE GLORIA

Gloria in Excelsis, no. 8

Max Reger

GLORY be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ.
With the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

LORD God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves
and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee,
that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness
and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 10:17-21

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

PSALM 123

Plainsong (*Tone II'*)

The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat. The refrain is sung by the People as indicated.

Refrain



Our eyes wait up - on the Lord our God, un - til he have mer - cy up - on us.

AD TE LEVAVI OCULOS MEOS

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes: O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters,
and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress: even so our eyes
wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us. *Refrain*

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we are utterly despised.
Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy: and with the despitefulness of the proud. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 11:8-16

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The People stand

HYMN

AMERICA

1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may she
2 For her our prayers shall rise to God, a -

ev - er stand through storm and night: when the wild
bove the skies; on him we wait; thou who art

tem - pests rave, ru - ler of wind and wave,
ev - er nigh, guard - ing with watch - ful eye,

do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.
to thee a - loud we cry, God save the state!

Words: Siegfried August Mahlmann (1771-1826); tr. Charles Timothy Brooks (1813-1883) and John Sullivan Dwight (1812-1893), alt.
Music: *America*, from *Thesaurus Musicus*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (Mode VI)



Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Cantor Offer the sacrifice of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.
People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:43-48

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

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

THE SERMON

The Rector

THE NICENE CREED

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

I 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 (FOR THE NATION AND FOR SOUND GOVERNMENT)

The Leader says

Let us pray.

The People kneel.

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

People Lord, keep this nation under thy care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

People Give grace to thy servants, O Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

People Give grace to thy servants, O Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

People Give grace to thy servants, O Lord.

And finally, teach our people to rely on thy strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve thee faithfully in our generation and honor thy holy Name.

People For thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all.

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

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY 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.*

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY 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 LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

The People stand. The Celebrant introduce the Peace with these words

WE are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

THE GREETINGS

Please be seated.

AT THE OFFERTORY

Canon, no. 4

Max Reger

HYMN

MATERNA

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!
thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.
and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift 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 continues

IT is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

FOR THE SANCTUS

Benedictus, no. 9

Max Reger

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God Sabaoth. Blessed is he that cometh
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Please kneel.

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

By whom, and with 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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
The Sacrament is distributed in one kind only in the Crossing.
Gluten free hosts are available; please ask the priest.*

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

IBELIEVE 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

Melodia, no. 11

Max Reger

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY 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 People stand.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

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O say can you see, by the dawn's ear - ly light,
 what so proud - ly we hailed at the twi - light's last gleam - ing,
 whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the per - il - ous fight,
 o'er the ram - parts we watched, were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing?
 And the rock - ets' red glare, the bombs burst - ing in air,
 gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
 O say does that star - span - gled ban - ner yet wave
 o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

A PRAYER FOR THE NATION

O LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; we commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to the President of the United States, and to all in Authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
 who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
 With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
 who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
 with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ever more.

Words: Martin Rinckart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: *Nun danket alle Gott*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Variationen und Fuge über 'Heil, unserm König, Heil'

Max Reger

PARISH NOTICES

Coffee Hour. During the summer, the Virtual Coffee Hour will only meet on the third Sunday of each month. The next coffee hour will be held on Sunday, July 18, at 12:45 p.m. Contact Fr. Moretz at MMoretz@SaintThomasChurch.org to learn more and receive login credentials.

Adult Education will not meet today. It will resume next Sunday, July 11. For more information, contact Fr. Cheng at PCheng@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings. Today, we are having a screen-free day, as many families are going to be celebrating Independence Day. We will return next week at 10:15 a.m. for **Sunday Zoom!** when we will continue to share a number of *Faith Filled Films* all about Parables, made by our children at home. 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.

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 Bible Study continues at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom, and runs for about an hour. For more information, please 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

Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry in the Resurrection Chapel

Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Fr. Brown

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

✠ **SUNDAY, JULY 11**

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

9 a.m. Said Mass

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

Mass for the Organ

Suite Médiévale – Jean Langlais

Preacher: Mo. Turner

WEEKDAY SUMMER FEASTS

Services are open to the public, video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

5:30 P.M. SOLEMN EUCHARIST

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

THURSDAY, JULY 22

Saint Mary Magdalene

Missa de Beata Virgine – Francisco Guerrero

Ave Maria – William Cornysh

In festo S. Mariae Magdalenae – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Missa Quarti toni – Tomás Luis de Victoria

In festo transfigurationis Domini – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

O nata lux – Thomas Tallis

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

Saint Bartholomew

Messa a tre voci – Antonio Lotti

Sanctus Bartholomaeus – Jacob Gallus-Handl

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus – Adrian Willaert

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