

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK

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The Reverend Canon Carl F. Turner, Rector

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.

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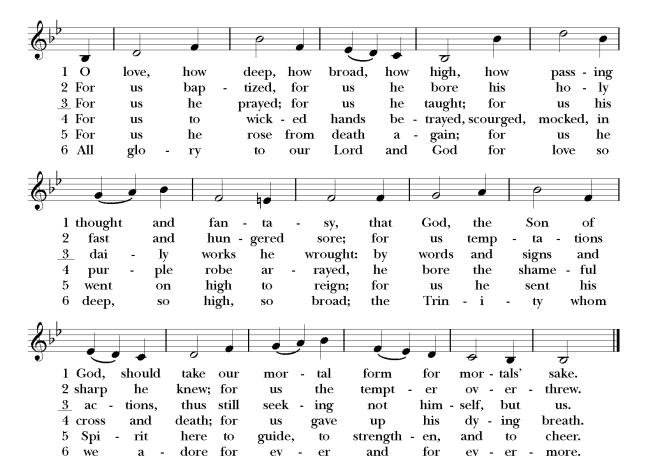
THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

Hymn

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

The People stand as the Ministers go to the altar.



The Penitential Order

Celebrant People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant may say a sentence of scripture.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing. Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Coventry Acclamations

Paul Inwood

Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth;



Cantor Lord God, Heavenly King, almighty God and Father,



Cantor We worship you,



Cantor Give you thanks,



Cantor Praise you for your glory;



Cantor Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God Lamb of God; you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us,



Cantor You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer,



Cantor Glory to God, glory in the highest, Peace to his people, peace on earth



Cantor For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God – the glory of God the Father



Cantor Amen



The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant sings

The Lord be with you.

People Celebrant And also with you.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the Collect.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lesson

Jeremiah 11:18-20

Lector People The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 54

The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat.



Save me, O God, by your name, And vindicate me by your might. Hear my prayer, O God;

Give ear to the words of my mouth. Refrain

For the insolent have risen against me, The ruthless seek my life; They do not set God before them. *Refrain*

But surely, God is my helper; The Lord is the upholder of my life; He will repay my enemies for their evil. In your faithfulness, put an end to them. *Refrain*

With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good. For he has delivered me from every trouble, And my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies. *Refrain*

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Fintan O'Caroll arr. Christopher Walker

The People stand. The Cantor sings the refrain and all repeat.



Cantor

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening. Speak your words of wisdom, For the words you speak are everlasting life.

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All repeat the Alleluia.

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

★ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the end

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

People

The Rector

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Leader says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his mercy.

The People remain standing.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

In a moment of silence, let us bring our own petitions to the Lord.

Silence is kept, then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

People Amen.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

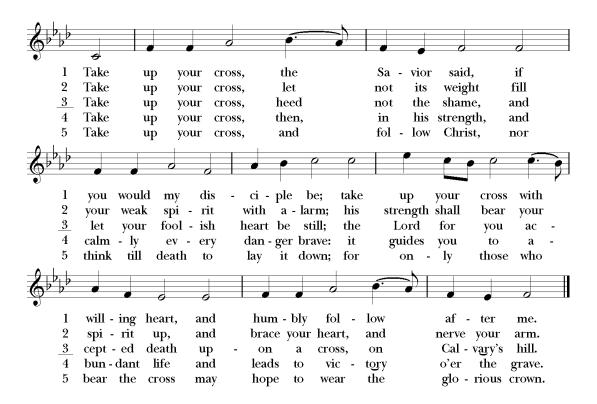
The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Greetings

The People sit



The Great Thanksgiving

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant says the Preface, ending

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Cantor and People















The People kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes

...now and for ever.

People

AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then is said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant and People

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant says

Behold the Lamb of God.

Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Celebrant and people receive Holy Communion.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

The Celebrant blesses the People and then dismisses them with these words

Celebrant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PARISH NOTICES

Adult Education will resume next Sunday, September 26, when Fr. Moretz offers a class on the "Theology of the Reredos of Saint Thomas". This class will be offered over Zoom. For more information and login credentials, please contact Fr. Moretz at MMoretz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Children and Families' Gatherings. Children and Families are welcome to come up to the Sunday School and Nursery rooms at 10 a.m. today to meet staff, reacquaint themselves with one another, hear plans for the term and our safety measures, as well as collect your welcome back pack and picnic pack. As part of our enhanced COVID-19 and safety guidelines, all participants must register to attend, and parents continue to be expected to be on site when their children are in the Nursery or Sunday School. (Register here). The annual Family Picnic in Central Park will also be held at 1 p.m. today. For more information, contact Mother Turner at ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org. A quiet Children's area in the Chantry Chapel is also available for parents with their children during the 11 a.m. Mass.

Concerts at Saint Thomas is pleased to announce that tickets for the <u>2021-2022 Concert Season</u> are now on sale to the general public. To purchase in-person or digital tickets and for information about future concerts, please visit us <u>Here</u>. On Saturday, September 25, at 3 p.m., *Concerts at Saint Thomas* presents Organist and Director of Music, Jeremy Filsell, playing <u>Dupré: The Complete Works for Organ VIII</u> on the Miller-Scott Organ. Support *Concerts at Saint Thomas* by becoming a <u>Friend of Music</u>. To make your donation with our team, email <u>Concerts@SaintThomasChurch.org</u> or call 212-664-9360.

The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys released our first new choral album in seven years, "The Music of Gerre Hancock", in April 2021. The performances on the new recording are led by Dr. Jeremy Filsell, with accompaniment from Benjamin Sheen (former Associate Organist), Nicholas Quardokus (former Assistant Organist), and The Saint Thomas Brass Ensemble. <u>Listen</u> to tracks and purchase your own copy of the album to stream or order the CD directly from our website.

New Children's Parish Choir. Under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, coming this fall is a new children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12. Rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m., beginning Tuesday, September 14, and Saturday, September 18. This FREE music program will feature the acclaimed RSCM (Royal School of Church Music) Voice for Life curriculum in which choristers will gain different colored ribbons by working towards different assessed levels of music and vocal instruction. Our first appearance as a choir will be at the Crèche Service in December. Then, beginning in January 2022, we will sing at the 9 a.m. Sunday morning Mass (Family Service). No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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**.

The Nominating Committee of the Vestry is now soliciting suggestions from parishioners for Vestry candidates, and will meet to review them. Please understand that not all those suggested will be put on the ballot. The Nominating Committee is tasked with selecting candidates who best meet the current needs of the Vestry, needs that vary from election to election depending on the current Vestry members and their expertise. For instance, one year the Vestry might need a new member with investment experience, while the next year, there could be a need for someone with architectural knowledge. If your suggestion does not make it onto the ballot this year, please don't be discouraged or take it as a rejection for the future. Once the Nominating Committee has assembled a ballot, candidates will be notified. The members of the Nominating Committee are: Kazie Metzger Harvey, Warden & Chairman; Jay Sterling; Edith Morrill; Anne Kelly Treantafeles; and Pamela Zonsius. Kenneth Koen is the alternate.

Please send any suggestions to Kazie Harvey at **KHarvey@SaintThomasChurch.org** by October 1. Including a resume or bio would be helpful. Further, please make sure any suggested person would be willing to serve.

SERVICES THIS WEEKAND BEYOND

The Church is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. (Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Face masks, hand sanitization and health screening are required for entry.

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions) and Holy Eucharist

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

<u>Confessions, Spiritual Advice and Healing Ministry</u> in the Resurrection Chapel Saturday 11 to 11:45 a.m. in the Church. Confessor: Fr. Bennett

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

CHORAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

All choral services are video livestreamed, and, thereafter, available on-demand

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 THE FEAST OF SAINT MATTHEW

5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist

sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

Preacher: Fr. Bennett

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

▼ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

This service is especially suitable for children

Preacher: Mo. Turner

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: The Rector

4 p.m. Festal Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

Preacher: Mo. Turner

ASSISTING CLERGY

The Reverend Matthew Moretz, Vicar and Chief Operating Officer

The Reverend Alison J. Turner,

Associate for Children & Family Ministry

and School Chaplain

The Reverend Ryan Bennett, Assistant Priest

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Nicolas Haigh, Associate Organist
Aaron Koch, Head Verger
Bruce Smith, Chief Advancement Officer
Jenny Herrera, Chief Financial Officer
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The Reverend Mark Brown, Honorary Assistant
The Reverend Gina Gore, 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

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