



**SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE**  
in the  
**CITY OF NEW YORK**



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 EVE OF THE FEAST OF SAINT LUKE**

**OCTOBER 17, 2021**

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**FESTAL EVENSONG — 4 p.m.**  
**WITH THE ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS**  
**sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys**

**PRELUDE**

Rockingham

*Kenneth Leighton*  
(1929-1988)

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

**VERSICLES AND RESPONSES**

*Philip Radcliffe*  
(1905-1986)

*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 67**

*Sung by the Choir*

Anglican Chant (*Bairstow*)

**DEUS MISEREATUR**

**G**OD be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance,  
and be merciful unto us:  
That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.  
Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.  
O let the nations rejoice and be glad: for thou shalt judge the folk righteously,  
and govern the nations upon earth.  
Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.  
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.  
God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.  
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.

**PSALM 96**

Anglican Chant (*Hancock, Andrew*)

**CANTATE DOMINO**

**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.

## FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52:7-10

## THE ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS

*The People remain seated. The Choir and Ministers stand. The Head of School presents the Probationers for admission to the Vicar, saying*

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

*The Vicar asks the Boys to be admitted the following*

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

*The Boys answer*

I do.

*Taking the Probationer's hand, the Vicar says*

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

*The Director of Music vests the new Chorister with a surplice and then hands to the Vicar a Hymnal.*

*The Vicar hands the Hymnal to the newly admitted Chorister, saying*

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 all have been admitted, the Vicar says*

Let us pray.

*The People stand.*

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

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,  
 2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;  
 3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!  
 4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;  
 and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.  
 Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.  
 All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:  
 The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,  
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,  
 and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.  
 as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.  
 fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.  
 and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

## MAGNIFICAT IN C

*Sung by the Choir**Bryan Kelly  
(b. 1934)*

**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.*

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

## NUNC DIMITTIS IN C

*Sung by the Choir*

*Bryan Kelly*

**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 Catholick 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, 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

**A**Lmighty God, who didst inspire thy servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of thy Son: Graciously continue in thy Church the like love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of thy Name; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 both 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*

*Julian Wachner*  
(b. 1969)

**L**ORD, thou hast been our dwelling place from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us, yea, the work of our hands establish thou it. *Amen.*

*Psalm 90:1-2, 4, 12, 14, 17*

SERMON

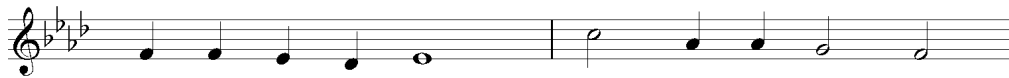
The Rev. Matthew Moretz  
*Vicar*

HYMN

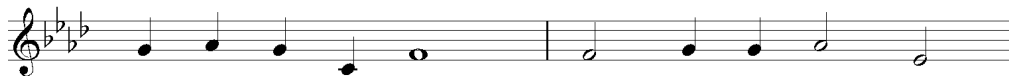
ORA LABORA



1	Come,	la - bor	on.	Who	dares	stand	i - dle
2	Come,	la - bor	on.	The	en - e - my	is	
3	Come,	la - bor	on.	A -	way	with	gloom - y
4	Come,	la - bor	on.	Claim	the	high	call - ing
5	Come,	la - bor	on.	No	time	for	rest, till



1	on	the	har - vest	plain,	while	all	a - round	us
2	watch - ing	night	and	day,	to	sow	the	tares, to
3	doubts	and	faith - less	fear!	No	arm	so	weak but
4	an - gels	can - not	share—		to	young	and	old the
5	glows	the	west - ern	sky,	till	the	long	sha - dows



1	waves	the	gold - en	grain?	And	to	each	ser - vant
2	snatch	the	seed	a - way;	while	we	in	sleep our
3	may	do	ser - vice	here:	by	feeb - lest	a - gents	
4	Gos - pel	glad - ness	bear:		re - deem	the	time;	its
5	o'er	our	path - way	lie,	and	a	glad	sound comes



1	does	the	Mas - ter	say,	“Go	work	to	- day.”
2	du - ty	have	for - got,	he	slum - bered	_____	not.	
3	may	our	God	ful - fill	his	right - eous	_____	will.
4	hours	too	swift - ly	fly.	The	night	draws	_____
5	with	the	set - ting	sun,_____	“Ser - vants,	well	done.”	

## THE BLESSING

**T**HE 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.

## PSALM 150

Anglican Chant (*Talbot*)

### LAUDATE DOMINUM

**O** PRAISE God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.  
Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.  
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.  
Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.  
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.  
Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

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.

## POSTLUDE

King David's Dance

*Stephen Paulus*  
(1949-2014)

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The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
*Mrs. William Andrews Clark, Robert Erskine Douglas, William Harris Douglas,*  
*Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Darnley E. Knight, Jr., Margaret M. O'Byrne,*  
*Inez E. Percival and Mr. & Mrs. James A. Percival.*

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## PARISH NOTICES

**Adult Education.** Join Fr. Moretz today at 10 a.m., when he will continue his class series on the *Theology of the Reredos*. He will explore much more than the architectural meaning, going deeper into what this great work of sacred art communicates to Christians, as well as what it means for our faith in this place. This class will include close up images of this powerful work of sculpture, building on the first class, but so presented that one will not have had to attend the previous classes to appreciate subsequent ones. You are welcome to join us in person on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House or on Zoom using the link provided in our E-News.

**Children and Families' Gatherings.** Each Sunday begins with a **Sung Mass at 9 a.m.**, which is especially suitable for children. Afterwards, **Sunday School** is offered for children ages 4 to 11 on the third floor of the Parish House until 10:45 a.m. **Nursery care** is available from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration for all 2021-22 Children and Family events and programs is essential. You may access the registration form [Here](#). For any queries regarding the above or to receive our weekly newsletter please contact: [ChildrenandFamilies@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto: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** celebrates the centennial of French composer Jeanne Demessieux as organist Stephen Tharp plays the first of three concerts on **Saturday, November 6, at 3 p.m.**, featuring her complete organ works on the Miller-Scott Organ. [Visit our website](#) to purchase in-person and digital tickets for [Demessieux: The Complete Works for Organ I](#). 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 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. [Listen](#) to tracks and purchase your own copy of the album to stream or [order the CD](#) directly from our website.

**Children's Parish Choir.** Under the direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, a new children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12 is now underway. Rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays at 4-4:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 10-10:45 a.m. Registration is [now available online](#). 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](mailto: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](mailto:RBennett@SaintThomasChurch.org).

## SERVICES THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

### **The Church is open for Private Prayer and Visits**

**Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

*Proof of vaccination, face masks, hand sanitization and health screening are required for entry.*

### **Shrine Prayers (Intercessions)**

**Monday – Saturday at 12 p.m** *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)

### **The Daily Eucharist**

**Monday – Saturday 12:05 p.m.** *Live audio stream and then on-demand.*

**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday following Choral Evensong.**

# CHORAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

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

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong**  
*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong**  
*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

**5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong**  
*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

## ✠ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

### **THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

#### **9 a.m. Sung Eucharist**

*Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell*

This service is especially suitable for children

**Homily by the Rector**

#### **11 a.m. Festal Eucharist**

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

**Sermon by the Rector**

#### **4 p.m. Festal Evensong**

*sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir*

**Sermon by Mo. Turner**

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

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

#### **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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