SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022 AT 4 P.M. THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FESTAL EVENSONG

SUNG BY THE SAINT THOMAS CHOIR OF MEN AND BOYS

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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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE Elegy Arthur Wills (1926-2020)

At the entry of the Choir and Ministers, the People stand.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

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 ve the Lord.

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM 78:1-40

Sung by the Choir

Anglican Chant

(Bayley, Monk, Turle, Rogers)

ATTENDITE, POPULE

HEAR my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable: I will declare hard sentences of old;

Which we have heard and known: and such as our fathers have told us;

That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come:

but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law: which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

That their posterity might know it: and the children which were yet unborn;

To the intent that when they came up: they might shew their children the same;

That they might put their trust in God: and not to forget the works of God,

but to keep his commandments;

And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation:

a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;

Like as the children of Ephraim: who being harnessed, and carrying bows,

turned themselves back in the day of battle.

They kept not the covenant of God: and would not walk in his law;

But forgat what he had done: and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.

Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt: even in the field of Zoan.

He divided the sea, and let them go through: he made the waters to stand on an heap.

In the day-time also he led them with a cloud: and all the night through with a light of fire.

He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness: and gave them drink thereof,

as it had been out of the great depth.

He brought waters out of the stony rock: so that it gushed out like the rivers.

Yet for all this they sinned more against him: and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.

They tempted God in their hearts: and required meat for their lust.

They spake against God also, saying: Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?

He smote the stony rock indeed, that the waters gushed out, and the streams flowed withal:

but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?

When the Lord heard this, he was wroth: so the fire was kindled in Jacob,

and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;

Because they believed not in God: and put not their trust in his help.

So he commanded the clouds above: and opened the doors of heaven.

He rained down manna also upon them for to eat: and gave them food from heaven.

So man did eat angels' food: for he sent them meat enough.

He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven: and through his power he brought in the south-west-wind.

He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust: and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.

He let it fall among their tents: even round about their habitation.

So they did eat and were well filled, for he gave them their own desire: they were not disappointed of their lust.

But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them: yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.

But for all this they sinned yet more: and believed not his wondrous works.

Therefore their days did he consume in vanity: and their years in trouble.

When he slew them, they sought him: and turned them early, and inquired after God.

And they remembered that God was their strength: and that the high God was their redeemer.

Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth: and dissembled with him in their tongue.

For their heart was not whole with him: neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.

But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds: and destroyed them not.

Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away: and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.

For he considered that they were but flesh: and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.

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 Daniel 6:1-23

The People stand for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

HYMN UNSER HERRSCHER





MAGNIFICAT IN C

Sung by the Choir

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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 Mark 15:46–16:8

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS IN C

Sung by the Choir

Charles Villiers Stanford

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

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.

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 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.

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

ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE SECOND COLLECT FOR PEACE

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

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

Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

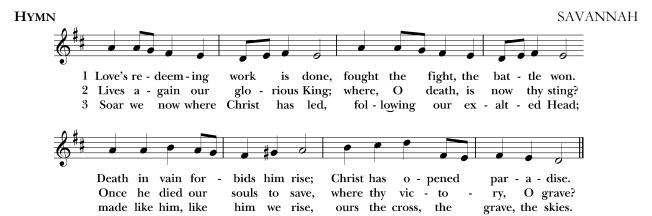
BLEST pair of Sirens, pledges of Heaven's joy,
Sphere-born harmonious sisters, Voice and Verse,
Wed your divine sounds, and mixt power employ,
Dead things with inbreathed sense able to pierce;
And to our high-raised phantasy present
That undisturbed song of pure consent,
Aye sung before the sapphire-coloured throne
To him that sits thereon,
With saintly shout and solemn jubilee;
Where the bright Seraphim, in burning row,
Their loud, uplifted angel-trumpets blow,
And the Cherubic host in thousand quires

Touch their immortal harps of golden wires, With those just spirits, that wear victorious palms, Hymns devout and holy psalms Singing everlastingly. That we on Earth with undiscording voice, May rightly answer that melodious noise; As once we did, till disproportioned sin Jarr'd against Nature's chime, and with harsh din Broke the fair music that all creatures made To their great Lord, whose love their motion swayed In perfect diapason, whilst they stood In first obedience, and their state of good. O may we soon again renew that song And keep in tune with Heaven, till God ere long To his celestial consort us unite, To live with him and sing in endless morn of light.

John Milton (1608-1674)

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Schultz Associate for Pastoral Care



THE BLESSING

THE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

PSALM 150 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Talbot)

LAUDATE DOMINUM

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.

VOLUNTARY Toccata (2019) Stephen Hough
(b. 1961)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

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 and hand sanitization are required for entry. Masks are optional except for unvaccinated children.

Shrine Prayers (Intercessions)

Monday - Friday 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

The Daily Eucharist

Monday - Friday at 12:05 p.m. Live audio stream and then on-demand.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday following Evensong at the High Altar.

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

*Special Note: on Thursday, May 19, at 2 pm

Solemn Eucharist in thanksgiving for the life of

Barbara Helen Battle

(November 23, 1934 – May 2, 2022)

CHORAL SERVICES AND CONCERTS THIS WEEK

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

TUESDAY, MAY 17

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

THURSDAY, MAY 19

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys

★ SUNDAY, MAY 22

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Cantor: Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell
sung by the Noble Singers
Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Andrew ML Dietsche
Bishop of New York

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist with Confirmation and Reception

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Andrew ML Dietsche Bishop of New York

4 p.m. Festal Evensong to honor all involved in the Funeral Industry

sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys Sermon by The Rector