

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
in the  
CITY OF NEW YORK



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FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.  
THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

**SOLEMN EUCHARIST**  
SUNG BY THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR

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

## THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Lauda Sion

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*  
(1525-1580)

## PRELUDE

Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam, BuxWV 180

*Dietrich Buxtehude*  
(c.1637-1707)

*The People stand at the entry of the Choir. As the ministers go to the Altar, this chant is sung by the Choir.*

## INTROIT

*Sung by the Choir*

*Plainsong (Mode I)*

**D**E ventre matris meae vocávit me Dóminus in nómine meo:  
et pósuit os meum ut gládium acútum:  
sub teguménto manus suae protéxit me,  
et pósuit me quasi sagíttam eléctam.

Bonum est confiteri Domino:  
et psallere nomini tuo, Altissime.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:  
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

De ventre matris...

*From the womb of my mother the Lord hath called me by my name:  
and hath made my mouth as it were a sharp sword;  
beneath the shadow of his hand hath he hidden me,  
and hath made me like to a polished arrow.*

*It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord:  
and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest. (Ps. 92:1)*

*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.*

*From the womb...*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Celebrant says*

**H**EAR what our Lord Jesus saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,  
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.  
And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.  
On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*The People kneel. Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Celebrant says*

**T**HE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and  
remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life,  
and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

*The People stand.*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*Sung by the Choir*

**G**LORIA in excelsis Deo,  
et in terra pax  
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe.  
Cum Sancto Spiritu  
in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*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.

**A**Lmighty God, by whose providence thy servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Savior by preaching repentance: Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through the same thy Son 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

Isaiah 40:1-11

*The Subdeacon concludes*

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

### PSALM 85

*Sung by the Choir*

Plainsong (*Tone VII*)

#### BENEDIXISTI, DOMINE

**L**ORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land:  
thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.  
Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins.  
Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure: and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.  
Turn us then, O God our Saviour: and let thine anger cease from us.  
Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever: and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from  
one generation to another?  
Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us: that thy people may rejoice in thee?  
Shew us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation.  
I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me: for he shall speak peace unto his people,  
and to his saints, that they turn not again.  
For his salvation is nigh them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land.  
Mercy and truth are met together: righteousness and peace have kissed each other.  
Truth shall flourish out of the earth: and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.  
Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness: and our land shall give her increase.  
Righteousness shall go before him: and he shall direct his going in the way.  
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 stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainsong (*Mode VI*)

*Cantor*                      *People*

Al - le - lu - ia.      Al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_

*Cantor*      And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest:  
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways.

*People*

Al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:57-80

*Deacon*      The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.  
*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.

## HOMILY

The Rev. Alison Turner  
*Associate for Children & Family Ministry  
and School Chaplain*

## 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 PEACE

*The Celebrant introduces the Peace with these words*

**T**HROUGH the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;  
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death:  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, MOTET     Hymnus in festo S. Johannis Baptistae

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

U<sup>T</sup> queant laxis resonare fibris  
Mira gestorum famuli tuorum,  
Solve polluti labii reatum,  
Sancte Joannes.

*O for your spirit, holy John, to chasten  
Lips sin-polluted, fettered tongues to loosen;  
So by your children might your deeds of wonder  
Meethly be chanted.*

Nuntius caelo veniens Olympo,  
Te patri magnum fore nasciturum,  
Nomen, et vitae seriem gerendae,  
Ordinae promit.

*Lo! a swift herald, from the skies descending,  
Bears to your father promise of your greatness;  
How he shall name you, what your future story,  
Duly revealing.*

Ille promissi dubius superni  
Perdidit promptae modulos loquela;  
Sed reformasti genitus peremptae  
Organa vocis.

*Scarcely believing message so transcendent,  
Him for a season power of speech forsaketh,  
Till, at your wondrous birth, again returneth,  
Voice to the voiceless.*

Ventris obstruso positus cubili,  
senserat Regem thalamo manentem:  
Hinc parens nati meritis uterque,  
Abdita pandit.

*You, in your mother's womb all darkly cradled,  
Knew your great Monarch, biding in his chamber,  
Whence the two parents, through their offspring's merits,  
Mysteries uttered.*

Gloria Patri, genitaeque Proli  
Et tibi, compar utriusque semper  
Spiritus alme, Deus unus, omni  
Tempore saeculi.  
Amen.

*Praise to the Father, to the Son begotten,  
And to the Spirit, equal power possessing,  
One God whose glory, through the lapse of ages,  
Ever resounding.  
Amen.*

*Office hymn for Second Vespers of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*

### 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*

I<sup>T</sup> 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.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in  
him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to  
judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*Sung by the Choir*

**S**ANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit  
In nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he that cometh  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes*

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee,  
O Father Almighty, world without end.

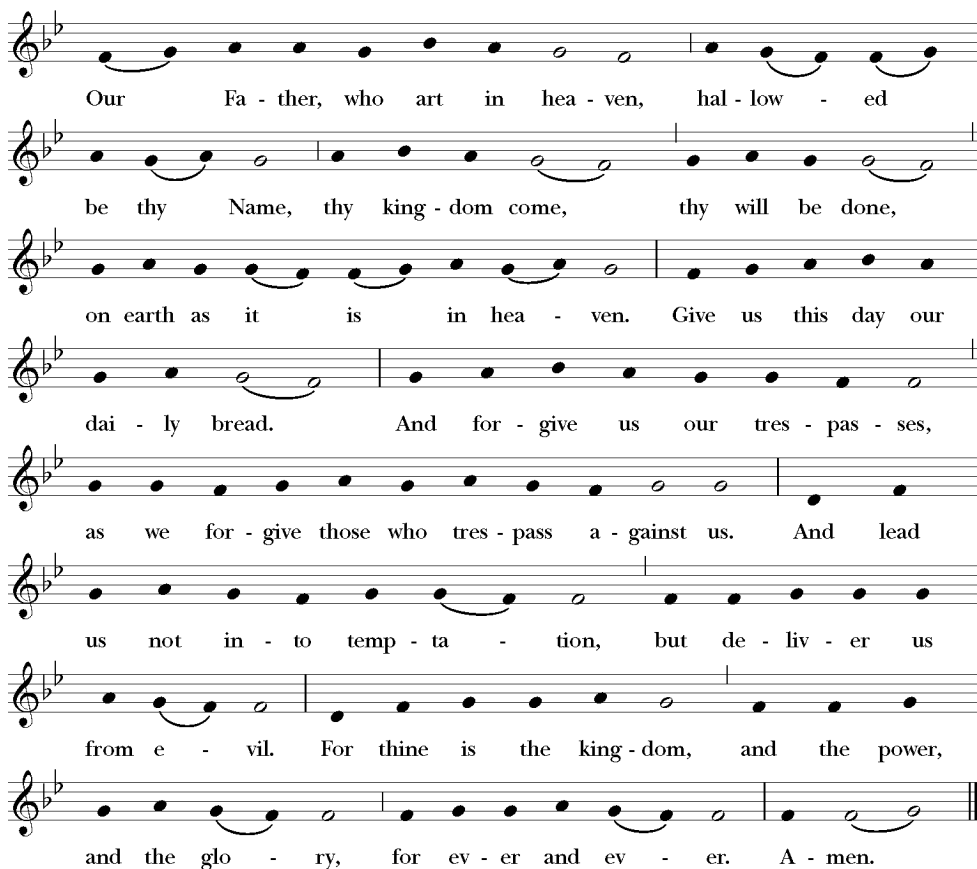
*The People respond* AMEN.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Celebrant says*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The Celebrant says*

**B**EHOLD 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 shouldest come under my roof,  
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

*The People remain kneeling until the bell rings.*

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

**I** BELIEVE 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.

## HOLY COMMUNION

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

## AGNUS DEI

*Sung by the Choir*

**A**GNUS Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Said by all, kneeling*

**A**LMIGHTY 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 BLESSING

**M**AY the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path;  
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*Unison or harmony*

1 The great fore - run - ner of the morn, the  
 2 With heaven - ly mes - sage Ga - briel came, that  
 \*3 John, still un - born, yet gave a - right his  
 1 His might - y deeds ex - alt his fame to  
 \*5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and

1 her - ald of the Word, is born; and faith - ful hearts shall  
 2 John should be that her - ald's name, and with pro - phet - ic  
 3 wit - ness to the com - ing light; and Christ, the Sun of  
 4 great - er than a pro - phet's name; of wo - man born shall  
 5 God the Spi - rit, Three in One, praise, hon - or, might, and

1 nev - er fail with thanks and praise his light to hail.  
 2 ut - terance told his ac - tions great and man - i - fold.  
 3 all the earth, ful - filled that wit - ness at his birth.  
 4 nev - er be a great - er pro - phet than was he.  
 5 glo - ry be from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam

*Johann Pachelbel*  
 (1653 -1706)

## CHORAL SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

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

✠ SUNDAY, JUNE 26

### THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### 9 a.m. Sung Eucharist

*especially suitable for Children and Families*

**Sermon by Fr. Schultz**

*followed by a Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

#### 11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

*sung by The Choir of All Saints' Church, Princeton, New Jersey*

Kevin O'Malia, *Director*

*and The Choir of The Church of the Holy Spirit, Harleysville, Pennsylvania*

Sue Ellen Echard, *Director*

**Sermon by Fr. Schultz**

*followed by a Coffee Hour in the Narthex*

## SUMMER FEASTS 2022

### 5:30 p.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST

**with the Gentlemen of the Choir**

*followed by cheese and wine, and soft drinks*

**Wednesday, June 29 – St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles**

**Friday, July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene**

**Monday, July 25 – St. James the Apostle**

**Wednesday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew the Apostle**

**Thursday, September 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**