

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE
in the
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022 AT 4 P.M.
THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

FESTAL EVENSONG
WITH ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS
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

St Columba (Erin)
No. 4 of *Six Fantasies Hymn Tunes*, Op. 72

Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)

INTROIT

David Hill
(b. 1957)

PRAISE our God, all you his servants.
You who fear him, both small and great.
Jesus Christ came and preached to us.
Peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near.
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.
And he shall reign for ever and ever. Alleluia.

Revelation 19:5; Mark 1:15; Ephesians 2:17; Revelation 11:15

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

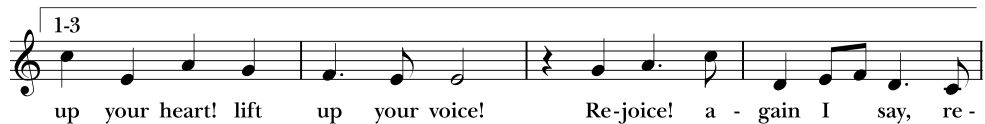
GOPSAL



1 Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore! Mor -
2 The Lord the Sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and love: when
3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the
4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come, and



tals, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove. Lift
keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given.
take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.



up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joyce! a - gain I say, re -



joyce! up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joyce! a -



gain I say, re - joice!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Gopsal*, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); arr. John Wilson (1905-1992).
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VERCICLES AND RESPONSES*Kenneth Leighton**Please remain standing as the Officiant and Choir sing the opening responses.*

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

R. *As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. *The Lord's Name be praised.***WELCOME***The People sit.***PSALM 104***Sung by the Choir**Anglican Chant (Murrill, Attwood)***BENEDIC, ANIMA MEA**

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious;
 thou art clothed with majesty and honour.
 Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment :
 and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.
 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters :
 and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.
 He maketh his angels spirits : and his ministers a flaming fire.
 He laid the foundations of the earth : that it never should move at any time.
 Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment : the waters stand in the hills.
 At thy rebuke they flee : at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.
 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath :
 even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.
 Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass : neither turn again to cover the earth.
 He sendeth the springs into the rivers : which run among the hills.
 All beasts of the field drink thereof : and the wild asses quench their thirst.
 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation : and sing among the branches.
 He watereth the hills from above : the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.
 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle : and green herb for the service of men;
 That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man :
 and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.
 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap : even the cedars of Libanus which he hath planted;
 Wherein the birds make their nests : and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.
 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats : and so are the stony rocks for the conies.
 He appointed the moon for certain seasons : and the sun knoweth his going down.
 Thou makest darkness that it may be night : wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.
 The lions roaring after their prey : do seek their meat from God.
 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together : and lay them down in their dens.
 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour : until the evening.
 O Lord, how manifold are thy works : in wisdom hast thou made them all;
 the earth is full of thy riches.
 So is the great and wide sea also : wherein are things creeping innumerable,
 both small and great beasts.
 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan : whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.
 These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.
 When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

When thou hidest thy face they are troubled :
when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.
When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.
The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.
I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being.
And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.
As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end :
praise thou the Lord, O my soul, 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.

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 8:4-20

ADMISSION OF CHORISTERS

The Choir and Ministers stand; The People remain seated.

The Head of School presents the Probationers for admission to the Rector, saying

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

The Rector 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 each Probationer's hand in turn, the Rector 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 Rector a Hymnal.

The Rector 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 Head and Deputy Head Chorister take each newly admitted Chorister, in turn, to his place in the Choir stalls and say,

Pursuant to a decree of the Venerable Rector and Vestry of Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, we install you, N., as a Chorister of this Church.

When all have been installed, the Head and Deputy Head Chorister take their places in the Choir stalls.

The Rector says

Let us pray.

The People stand.

ALMIGHTY 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 servants here present, and more especially for them who have now been admitted to a place in the Choir of this Church. Let thy fatherly hand ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy holy word that, in the end, they 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 remain standing for the Office Hymn and the Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

MILES LANE

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid
*4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed
*5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood

1 pros - trate fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem,
2 al - tar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
3 Lord did call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine,
4 of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace,
5 and the gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet,

Refrain

and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,

Refrain

Words: Edward Perronet (1726-1792), alt. Music: Miles Lane, William Shrubsole (1760-1806).

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

John 18:33-37

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Second Service

Kenneth Leighton

LORD, 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.

THE PRAYERS

Sung by the Choir

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. *And with thy spirit.*

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

R. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
in 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.

Y. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
R. *And grant us thy salvation.*

Y. O Lord, save the State.
R. *And mercifully bear us when we call upon thee.*

Y. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
R. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

Y. O Lord, save thy people.
R. *And bless thine inheritance.*

Y. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

Y. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE

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

LIGHTEN 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.

THE Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty :
 the Lord is robed in majesty and is clothed with strength.
 Your throne was established long ago : you are from all eternity.
 The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice :
 the floods have lifted up their waves.
 The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many waters : the Lord on high is mighty.
 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.

Adapted from Psalm 93

SERMON

The Rector

HYMN

ST. MAGNUS

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
 2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
 3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
 4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
 5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
 2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
 3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
 4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
 5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
 though shame and death to him:
 his people's hope, his people's wealth,
 their everlasting theme.

THE BLESSING

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you.
 The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
 and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace;
 and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
 be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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.

VOLUNTARY

Alleluyas

Simon Preston
(1938-2022)

Immediately following this service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series
featuring **Nicolas Haigh**, Associate Organist.



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:
Sarah Aurelia Brush, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Alice Mary Hyde, Linda Griffith Vorsanger,
and Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Burks Yuille

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday - Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Tuesday – Cecilia, Martyr of Rome

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Wednesday – Clement, Bishop of Rome

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Thursday – Thanksgiving Day

11 a.m. Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

Saturday

11-11:45 a.m. Confessions, Spiritual Advice,
Ministry of Healing in the Resurrection Chapel
Confessor: Mother Turner

Next Sunday: November 27:
The First Sunday of Advent

9 a.m. Sung Mass

especially suitable for Children and Families
followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Litany and Solemn Eucharist*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys
Sermon by Fr. Luigi Gioia

4 p.m. An Advent Procession*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

ANNUAL VESTRY ELECTIONS

The Annual Election for the Vestry of Saint Thomas Church will be held on November 29, 2022. The following parishioners are standing for election: As Warden, Gregory Zaffiro; and for the Vestry, Samyel Lee, John G. Oghia, Benita Potters, and Karl C. Saunders. The by-laws of the parish define those eligible to vote as follows: "Persons of full age belonging to the Parish, who have been baptized and are regular attendants at its worship and contributors to its support for at least twelve months prior to such election or special meeting, shall be qualified voters at any such election or special meeting." Ballots have been mailed electronically, mailed via USPS to those without online access, and will also be available at the reception desk of Saint Thomas Church (1 West 53rd St.)

If you have not received a ballot and are a qualified voter, please contact Lizette Hernandez at [\(212\) 757-7013](tel:2127577013).

PARISH NOTICES

Saint Thomas Church Tours are available on Sundays after the 11 a.m. service. It is a great way to experience and learn about the church. Tours generally last an hour and 15 minutes. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the “Tour Guide – Meet Here” sign.

The **Bookstore and Giftshop** is open following the 11 am Mass until 3 p.m. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53rd Street where you will find a wide selection of books for Advent & Christmas, Advent Calendars, Christmas cards, Choir Boy Ornaments, and CDs.

Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1 p.m. Fr. Schultz leads a series of sessions that will serve as a deep dive into the Gospel of John. Join us as we continue our exploration of the Book of Signs (John 1:18 through chapter 12). For more information, please contact Fr. Schultz at MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Angel Tree 2022: It's time for the Saint Thomas community to open our hearts to the children of Saint Ann's Episcopal Church in the Bronx and to children staying with their mothers in a temporary shelter for survivors of domestic abuse. To make a monetary donation to this initiative, which is so vital to these children and their families, or for more details, visit our website or contact Linda Morfi: lmorfi@SaintThomasChurch.org.

Concerts at Saint Thomas is pleased to announce that an annual tradition returns on Tuesday, December 6 and Thursday, December 8 at 7:30pm ET as **New York Baroque Incorporated** joins the **Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys** and soloists for 2 performances of Handel's *Messiah*. On Thursday, December 15, another holiday favorite returns as the **Boys of the Saint Thomas Choir**, along with harpist Bridget Kibbey, present *Christmas on Fifth Avenue*, an hour long concert in celebration of the Christmas Season. Please [visit our website](#) for tickets and more information. Support Concerts at Saint Thomas by becoming a **Friend of Music**. To make your donation with our team, email concerts@saintthomaschurch.org or call 212-664-9360.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-12, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, sings at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sundays during the program year. We welcome new singers at any time! No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music. For more information, and to register your singer for the Fall Term, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org.

2023 Annual Appeal: Invitation, Community, Discipleship. You can make a pledge via the QR code below to be taken to the website or email giving@saintthomaschurch.org. Every pledge makes a difference.

