

SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE  
in the  
CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023 AT 4 P.M.  
THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

FESTAL EVENSONG  
SUNG BY THE GENTLEMEN OF THE CHOIR



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**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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PRELUDE

Voluntary II, F Minor (*from 12 Voluntaries for Organ [1779]*)

Maurice Greene  
(1696-1755)

*The People stand at the entry of the Choir and Ministers.*

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Philip Moore  
(b. 1943)

*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.

*The People sit.*

WELCOME

PSALM 93

*Sung by the Choir*

Plainsong (Tone V<sup>3</sup>)

DOMINUS REGNAVIT

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel :  
the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.  
He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be moved.  
Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.  
The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.  
The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly :  
but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.  
Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house 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.

PSALM 97

DOMINUS REGNAVIT

Plainsong (Tone V<sup>1</sup>)

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof :  
yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.  
Clouds and darkness are round about him :  
righteousness and judgement are the habitation of his seat.  
There shall go a fire before him : and burn up his enemies on every side.  
His lightnings gave shine unto the world : the earth saw it, and was afraid.  
The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord :  
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.



The heavens have declared his righteousness :  
and all the people have seen his glory.  
Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods :  
worship him, all ye gods.  
Sion heard of it, and rejoiced : and the daughters of Judah were glad,  
because of thy judgements, O Lord.  
For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth : thou art exalted far above all gods.  
O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil :  
the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints;  
he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.  
There is sprung up a light for the righteous : and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.  
Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous : and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.  
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

2 Samuel 23:1-7

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

OFFICE 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

*Refrain*  
tals, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.  
he had purged our stains, he took his scat 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.

1-3  
up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a - gain I say, re -

*Final Ending*  
joice! up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a -

gain I say, re - joice!



MAGNIFICAT SECONDO

Claudio Monteverdi  
(1567-1643)

**M**AGNIFICAT anima mea, Dominum  
et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo, salutari meo.  
Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:  
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.  
Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est,  
et sanctum nomen eius,  
et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.  
Fecit potentiam in brachio suo,  
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.  
Deposuit potentes de sede  
et exaltavit humiles;  
esurientes implevit bonis  
et divites dimisit inanes.  
Suscepit Israel puerum suum recordatus misericordiæ suæ,  
sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini eius in sæcula.  
Gloria Patri, et Filio,  
et Spiritui Sancto:  
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

*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

Matthew 28:16-20

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



NUNC DIMITTIS PRIMI TONI

Plainsong

**N**UNC dimittis servum tuum, Domine,  
secundum verbum tuum in pace:  
quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum  
quod parasti ante faciem  
omnium populorum:  
lumen ad revelationem gentium,  
et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.  
Gloria Patri, et Filio,  
et Spiritui Sancto:  
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,  
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

*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.*

THE 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*

V. The Lord be with you.

R. 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 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. Amen.*

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the State.

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people.

R. And bless thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**A**Lmighty 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

**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*

*William Boyce  
(1711-1779)*

**T**HE LORD is King, be the people never so impatient:  
He sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.  
O thou sword of the Lord, put up thyself into the scabbard, rest, and be still.  
Some put their trust in chariots, some put their trust in horses:  
But we will remember the name of the Lord our God.  
He maketh peace in our borders: and causeth wars to cease in all the world.  
O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness:  
And declare the wonders that he doth for the children of men.  
That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people:  
And praise him in the seat of the elders.  
Hallelujah.

*Psalm 99:1, Jeremiah 47:6, Psalm 20:7, Psalm 147:14a, Psalm 49:9a, Psalm 107:31-32*

SERMON

The Rev. Prisca Lee-Pae  
*Associate for Pan-Asian Ministry*



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HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY

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*

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name*, #451 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Edward Perronet (1726-1792), alt.  
Music: Miles Lane, William Shrubsole (1760-1806).

THE BLESSING

*The Rector says*

THE 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



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God's Love at the Heart of New York

VOLUNTARY

Choral Song

Samuel Sebastian Wesley  
(1810-1876)

### 5:30 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL

Immediately following the service, we invite you to stay for the  
Sunday Recital Series featuring Organist Tyrone Whiting, Philadelphia, PA



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following:  
Helen Greene Battle, Arthur Trumbull Hill, Margaret Crane Hurlbut, and Linda Griffith Vorsanger

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

\* indicates livestreamed.

### Today

**5:30 p.m. Organ Recital**

*Tyrone Whiting, Philadelphia, PA*

### Monday - Saturday

**12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist\***

### Thursday – Saint Andrew

**5:30 p.m. Solemn Eucharist\***

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

### Friday

**3 p.m. Contemplative Prayer**

*In the Resurrection Chapel*

### Saturday

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

*Confessor: The Rector*

**Next Sunday:** December 3, The First Sunday of  
Advent

**7:45 a.m. Said Mass**

**9 a.m. Sung Mass**

*followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House*

**11 a.m. Litany and Solemn Eucharist\***

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

**4 p.m. An Advent Procession\***

*sung by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys*

## PARISH NOTICES

**Saint Thomas Church Tours** are available on Sundays after the 11am service. If you are interested, please meet the Tour Guide on the south side of the Narthex near the "Tour Guide - Meet Here" sign.

Our Parish **Bookstore and Gift Shop** is temporarily closed as it is being relocated to part of the Narthex nearest the Chantry Chapel. If you have any questions, please reach out to [giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:giftshop@saintthomaschurch.org).

**The Saint Thomas Theological Education Program**, rooted in Scripture, tradition, and spirituality, is for those who seek a deeper understanding of faith, worship and prayer. Lecturers are The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia, Theologian in Residence, and internationally renowned guest speakers committed to making theology accessible to non-specialists. Classes are held Sundays at 10am on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Parish House and are streamed online. For more info, contact Fr. Luigi Gioia: [lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Children and Family Ministries:** The Nursery is open 9am to 1pm for the use of babies and young children with parents/caregivers. Services are streamed into the Nursery during this time. Sunday School meets at 10am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and in the Dining Room. For more info, contact [Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org](mailto:Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org).

**Weekly Bible Study on Fridays at 1pm.** Fr. Schultz leads a zoom 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 info, contact Fr. Schultz: [MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:MSchultz@SaintThomasChurch.org).

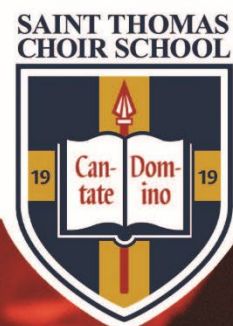
**Saint Thomas Choir School** exists to nurture and educate the boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented students in grades 3-8 come from all over the country to sing, study, play, perform, and live together. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Nora Thomson: [nthomson@choirschool.org](mailto:nthomson@choirschool.org).

**The Noble Singers**, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, has resumed weekly rehearsals and singing at the 9am Mass. We welcome new singers at any time. No audition is necessary, just enthusiasm and a love of music! For info, contact [RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org).

**Contributions for Christmas Flower Memorials** are now being received in memory of departed loved ones. The names of the faithful departed in whose memory the church will be adorned will be listed in the Christmas service leaflet on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. In order to cover the cost of Christmas flowers, we suggest a minimum donation of \$25 per name. Please send your check, made payable to Saint Thomas Church, and a printed list of those in whose memory you are making your donation to the parish house receptionist. The deadline is Sunday, December 11.

On Thanksgiving Day our **Angel Tree** was revealed. There are tags on the tree for children from St. Ann's Episcopal Church and Safe Horizons shelter as well as some of the migrant children known to the Ecumenical Outreach Partnership. We hope you will take a tag, and ask you to bring the requested gift to STC before December 19. Would you like to help wrap gifts, decorate the Angel Tree or make tags for the Angel Tree? Please volunteer by contacting Linda Morfi: [lmorfi@SaintThomasChurch.org](mailto:lmorfi@SaintThomasChurch.org).

# A Small School in a Great City



Saint Thomas Choir School educates the treble choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. The boys are nurtured and educated in grades three through eight and live together in the heart of Manhattan at the only boarding choir school in the U.S.

Life at the Choir School extends far beyond the choir stalls and classroom—boys enjoy animated conversations at the dinner table with resident faculty, quiet stories read before bed, outings to shows, and Central Park as their backyard. These formative experiences inspire many graduates to recall their time at the Choir School as the “privilege of a lifetime.”

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