SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2022 AT 11 A.M. THANKSGIVING DAY

SOLEMN EUCHARIST

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

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Missa Brevis

Sir William Walton (1902-1983)

PRELUDE

Suite from 'Henry V'

March – Passacaglia 'Death of Falstaff' – Touch her soft lips and part

Sir William Walton

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



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

A LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Sung by the Choir

LORY be to God on high, and in 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, 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 SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY and gracious Father, we give thee thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The People sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON Deuteronomy 26:1-11

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

PSALM 100 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant (Dirksen)

JUBILATE DEO

BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:

be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:

and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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 EPISTLE Philippians 4:4-9

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

The People stand.

HYMN



Words: Siegfried August Mahlmann (1771-1826); tr. Charles Timothy Brooks (1813-1883) and John Sullivan Dwight (1812-1893), alt. Music: America, from Thesaurus Musicus

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir The folds shall be full of sheep: the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

People Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 6:25-35

Deacon People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.



The Gospel of the Lord.

People



THE SERMON

The Rev. Matthew J. Moretz Vicar

A period of silent reflection may follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing. It is customary to bow at the underlined words.

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 People remain standing.

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of thy creation, in earth and sky and sea,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For all front-line workers, medical researchers, and for all who have inspired us through the Pandemic, **We thank thee, O Lord.**

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank thee, O Lord.

Above all, we give thee thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord; To him be praise and glory, with thee, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,

kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Galatians 5:22, 23

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE GREETINGS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

ORD, who hast made us for thine own, hear as we sing before thy throne. Alleluia, alleluia. Accept thy children's reverent praise for all thy wondrous works and ways. Alleluia, alleluia. Waves, rolling in on every shore, pause at his footfall and adore. Alleluia, alleluia. Ye torrents rushing in from the hills, bless him whose hand your fountain fills. Alleluia, alleluia. Earth, ever through the power divine, seedtime and harvest shall be thine. Alleluia, alleluia. Sweet flowers that perfume all the air, thank him that he hath made you fair. Alleluia, alleluia. Burn, lamps of night, with constant flame, shine to the honour of his name. Alleluia, alleluia. Thou sun, whom all the lands obey, renew his praise from day to day. Alleluia, alleluia.

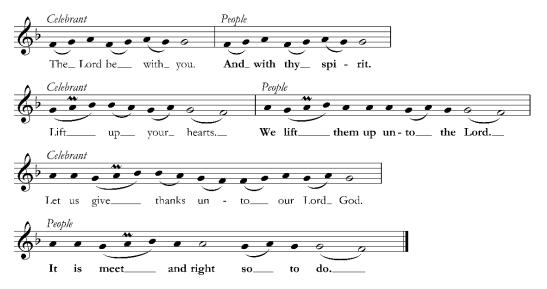
Psalm 148

HYMN WIR PFLUGEN



Words: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815); tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878), alt. Music: Wir pflugen, Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747-1800)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Celebrant continues

T 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.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

HoLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

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

The People kneel or stand.

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.

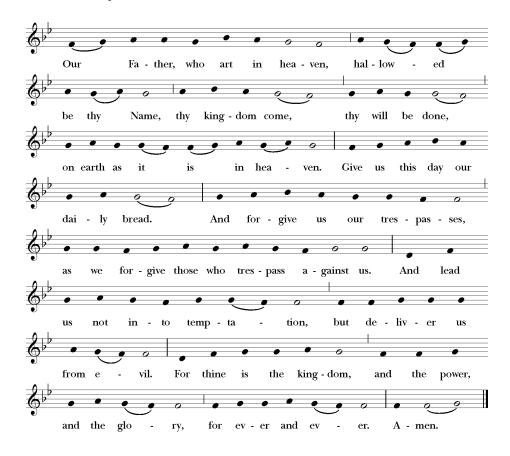
The People respond AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

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

Celebrant and People



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

BEHOLD 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)

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.

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.

AT THE COMMUNION, AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

C Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

ANTHEM
Sung by the Choir
Maurice Bevan
(1921-2006)

THERE'S a wideness in God's mercy Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in his justice Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heaven; There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader Than the measure of man's mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify his strictness With a zeal he will not own.

There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, We should take him at his word; And our lives would be all gladness In the joy of Christ our Lord.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People kneel and silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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 People stand.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

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THE BLESSING

MAY God our creator, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care and increase the harvest of your righteousness; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN MATERNA



Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: Materna, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Nun danket alle Gott, Op. 65 no. 13

Siegfried Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Monday - Saturday

12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Saturday

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

<u>This Sunday:</u> November 27 The First Sunday of Advent

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

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, Associate for Adult Education and Formation

4 p.m. An Advent Procession*

sung by the Choir of Men and Boys

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.

Children and Families: Join us throughout Advent as we gather to learn more about this special season of waiting and preparing for Jesus. This Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Parish House, families are welcome to participate in our Annual Family Advent Wreath making. Candles and rings will be provided. Please bring greenery and decorations. **Sign up** for our weekly newsletter, with details of Advent and Christmas outreach, services and activities, including our Blessing of The Creche service, December 17 at 4 p.m.

Childrenandfamilies@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.

We have launched our **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.

