SAINT THOMAS CHURCH FIFTH AVENUE

in the CITY OF NEW YORK



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SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023 AT 4 P.M. The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

SOLEMN 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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Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

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

HYMN VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS





Words: Latin, 12th cent.; tr. Charles P. Price (1920-1999). Charles P. Price. Music: *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Dublin Troper*, ca. 1360; acc. Adriaan Engels (1906-1973). From Liedboek Voor De Kerken, 1973 Interkerkelijke Stichting voor het Kerkelied.

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Matthew Martin (b. 1976)

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.
- √. Praise ye the Lord.
- K. The Lord's Name be praised.

WELCOME

EXALTABO TE, DEUS

WILL magnify thee, O God, my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever. Every day will I give thanks unto thee: and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised: there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another: and declare thy power.

As for me, I will be talking of thy worship: thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts: and I will also tell of thy greatness.

The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed:

and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful: long-suffering and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving unto every man: and his mercy is over all his works.

All thy works praise thee, O Lord: and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;

That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom: might be known unto men.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom: and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

The Lord upholdeth all such as fall: and lifteth up all those that are down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will help them.

The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

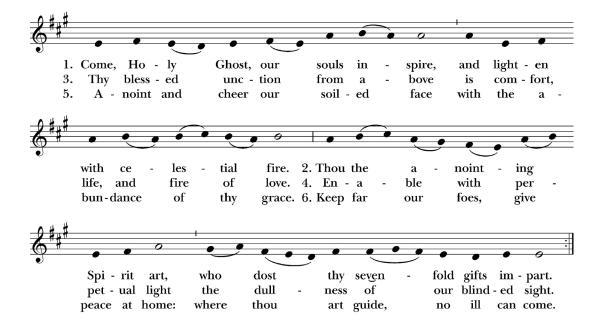
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

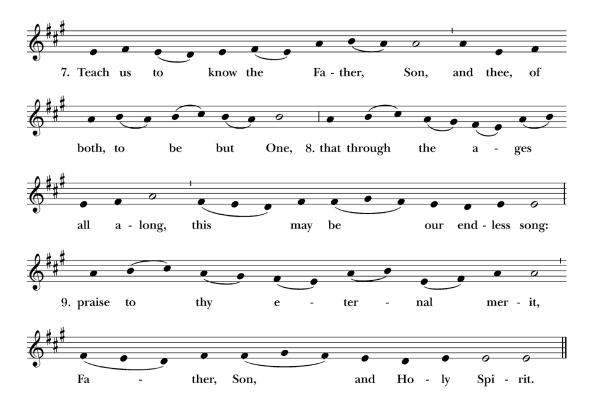
FIRST LESSON Joel 2:21-32

The People stand for the Office Hymn and Magnificat.

OFFICE HYMN

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS





MAGNIFICATOctavi ToniDavid Bevan(1951-2022)

MAGNIFICAT 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 Acts 2:14-38

The People stand for the Nunc Dimittis and the Creed.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Tertii Toni

George Malcolm
(1917-1997)

Nunc 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

- √. The Lord be with you.
- **R**. And with thy spirit.

The People kneel.

Let us pray.

K. 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.
- K. 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

GOD, who on this day didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *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

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.

ANTHEM Sung by the Choir Yves Castagnet
(b. 1964)

VENI Sancte Spiritus et emitte coelitus lucis tuae radium. Veni pater pauperum, veni dator munerum, veni lumen cordium.

Consolator optime, dulcis hospes animae, dulce refrigerium. In labore requies, in aestu temperies, in fletu solatium.

O lux beatissima, reple cordis intima tuorum fidelium. Sine tuo numine nihil est in homine, nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum, riga quod est aridum, sana quod est saucium. Flecte quod est rigidum, fove quod est frigidum, rege quod est devium.

Da tuis fidelibus in te confidentibus sacrum septenarium. Da virtutis meritum, da salutis exitum, da perenne gaudium. Amen. Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, and send down from heaven the ray of your light. Come, father of the poor, come, giver of gifts, come, light of the heart.

Best consoler, sweet host of the soul, sweet refresher. Rest in work, cooling in heat, comfort in crying.

O most blessed light, fill the innermost hearts of your faithful. Without your power nothing is in man, nothing innocent.

Clean what is dirty,
water what is dry,
heal what is wounded.
Bend what is rigid,
heat what is cold,
lead what has gone astray.

Grant to your faithful who trust in you, your sevenfold holy gift.
Grant us the reward of virtue, grant us final salvation, grant us eternal joy.
Amen. Alleluia.

Sequence to the Holy Spirit, attributed to Stephen Langton (c. 1160-1228) and to Pope Innocent III (died 1216)

Collect for St. Mark's Day

The Rev. Landon Moore Vicar for Vocation, Diocese of Long Island

HYMN WEBBE



THE EASTER 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**.

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

Choral varié from Maurice Duruflé
Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le thème du 'Veni Creator', Op. 4 (1902-1986)

Immediately following this service, we invite you to stay for the Sunday Recital Series featuring an organ recital with Margaret Helene Harper, Dallas, TX



The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in memory of the following: Margaret Crane Hurlbut, Margaret Havens Hurlbut, The Ralph Mead Hyde family, The Rev. Leslie John Alden Lang, and Albion E. Metcalf

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

* indicates livestreamed.

Today

Evensong will be immediately followed by an organ recital by Margaret Helene Harper, Associate Director of Music and Organist at Saint Michael and All Angels, Dallas

Monday - Saturday 12 p.m. Shrine Prayers and Holy Eucharist*

Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Solemn Mass of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sung by the Gentlemen of the Choir

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

11:30-12 p.m. The Rosary at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fifth Avenue

Next Sunday: June 4, Trinity Sunday

7:45 a.m. Said Mass

9 a.m. Sung Mass

followed by Coffee Hour in the Parish House

11 a.m. Festal Eucharist*

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

Choral Evensong returns Sunday, June 18

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. 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 Sundays following the 11 a.m. Mass until 3 p.m. Please access the shop via the Parish House entrance round the corner at 1 West 53rd Street. New in stock: "Mary Magdalene: A Visual History", by Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Coronation Bible from the King's Printer, Limited Edition, and many more books, devotional items, and beautiful gifts.

The Theology Program at Saint Thomas Church offers sound Christian teaching presented with intellectual vigor; teaching that is grounded in Holy Scripture, mediated by the catholic tradition that is the inheritance of Anglicanism, and set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. Sundays at 10 a.m. on the Fifth Floor of the Parish House and via Zoom. The talks are given by our Theologian in Residence, The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia. For information, please register with Fr. Gioia: lgioia@SaintThomasChurch.org.

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.

Children and Families Throughout June all children are welcome to join in a special Summer Sunday School: Women of the Bible led by Ms. Jennifer Kim from 10am-10.40am. Sign up for our weekly newsletter, with details of programs and activities for 2023 at Childrenandfamilies@saintthomaschurch.org.

We are pleased to announce that the **Saint Thomas Girl Chorister Course** will return to Saint Thomas Church and Choir School **July 22-30, 2023**. This year's Guest Director, Jared Johnson of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Columbia, SC, will lead the choristers in 5 services throughout the week and we will premiere a new piece specially commissioned for the course from our Composer-in-Residence Jessica French.

The Course is an intensive choral experience for girl choristers ages 12-18 at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, New York City. Throughout the course, choristers and staff live at Saint Thomas Choir School and take part in choral rehearsals and services, music history and theory classes, private vocal coaching, and outings to various sites around the city.

If you would like to provide scholarship support for a girl to attend the course this summer, please visit https://saintthomaschurch.tpsdb.com/Give/one-time-donation and select "Girls Chorister Course" from the drop-down menu. Please contact Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell at rkellerman@saintthomaschurch.org with questions or for more information regarding the Course.

Saint Thomas Choir School is accepting applications from boys currently in grades 2-5 for admission to the 2023-2024 academic year. The school exists to nurture and educate the approximately 30 boy choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Talented boys come from Michigan to Texas, and Massachusetts to Virginia, and even Manhattan. If you know a boy who loves to sing, encourage his family to contact Ruth Cobb, rcobb@choirschool.org.

The Noble Singers, our children's parish choir for singers ages 5-14, under the Direction of Mrs. Rebecca Kellerman-Filsell, is now on summer break. We will resume rehearsals on Thursday, September 14 and our first Sunday back will be Sunday, September 17 at the 9am Sung Mass. Watch for news about our September Choir Camp event and other special events such as our Preschool Music Circle. 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, contact RKellerman@SaintThomasChurch.org. For the first part of this year, we continue 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.





Do you know a boy who loves to sing?

Saint Thomas Choir School nurtures and educates the treble choristers of the renowned Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys. Boys in grades 3–8 from across the country sing, study, play, perform, and live together at the school during the academic year, thriving in a community that shares a passion for music. Singing in a professional choir, the boys grow into young men with poise, presence, and a deep sense of serving the community. Graduates of the choir school are prepared for a rewarding journey through adolescence and beyond, regardless of their professional goals. To learn more, visit www.choirschool.org or contact Ruth Cobb at admissions@choirschool.org or 212.247.3311, ext. 541.

Give him the opportunity of a lifetime.

